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Florida International University

Student Government Council

MEETING
August 17, 1999

IN ATTENDANCE
Mr. Kunga Kihohia, President
Mr. Tito Omaghomi, Vice President
Ms. Gloria Bryan, Lower Division Representative
Ms. Nicole Perkins, Clerk of Council/Secretary
Ms. Dannielle Boyer, Representative-at-Large
Ms. Monica LaFrance, Student Services Chairperson
Ms. Avia Rice, Representative-at-Large
Ms. Florence Carranza, Graduate Representative
Mr. Rafael Zapata, Advisor
Mr. Alioune Pallaye Kane, Academic Affairs Chairperson
Ms. Veneisha Scott, Panther Power Coordinator
Mr. Robert Castellanos, Finance Chairperson
Ms. Katrina Davey, Lower Division Representative
Mr. Peter Gallego, Representative-at-Large
Mr. Alois Odhiambo, Director of Student Lobbying/Community Relations
Mr. Vaughn Martin, Chief Justice

ABSENT
Ms. Ula Zucker, Journalism and Mass Communications Representative
Mr. Angel Garcia, Representative-at-Large
Ms. Shrita Penn, Graduate Representative
Ms. Sherri Rossell, Broward Representative
Ms. Jenee F. Jones, Chief of Staff - Volunteer
Mr. Mitch Santilimon, Athletics Coordinator
Mr. David Cole, Advisor

QUESTS
Ms. Adina Leszczyk
Ms. Linda Lubin, SPC Chair

CALL TO ORDER
Mr. Kunga Kihohia, SGC President, called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. He welcomed the Council to another meeting. He asked the Council to review the minutes from the previous meeting. Ms. Katrina Davey moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Ms. Gloria Bryan seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT
Mr. Kihohia announced that there is a General Council Meeting on Sept. 9, 1999, from 11pm-1pm. He requested that everyone respond by Friday August 20, 1999 to ensure who will be able to attend the meeting. Mr. Kihohia also announced that two weeks from this meeting, Tuesday August 31, 1999, there will be pictures taken for all SGC members after the meeting.

Mr. Kihohia reported that the E-board meetings are rescheduled; the dates for the E-board meetings are at every other Monday at 5pm. He also set a deadline for the schedules from the Council members; the deadline for the schedules is Friday August 20, 1999.

Mr. Kihohia requested the forums and workshops from each committee chair; he offered the help of the E-board members if the help is needed to complete the task.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT
Mr. Omaghomi, again, is offering assistance to those members who need help on the APA Revision Code. The feat is still unaccomplished. The Weekly report checklist is available in his report. Members were asked to review it thoroughly to see which weekly report is delinquent. He will redistribute the APA goals and objective list to those members that have not yet received a copy. He also set up a deadline for the APA goal and objectives report for Friday, August 20, 1999.

Mr. Omaghomi announced the people who are currently on weekly report probation. He advised these people to update their files concerning this matter. He has been searching for the best prices in polo shirts. The best price he could find is $18.00 with a screening charge of $55. The best price he could find for the SGC blazers is $105; the blazers resemble the blazers used by the ambassadors.

Mr. Omaghomi announced that the Miami Art Museum will hold an event on Thursday August 19, 1999 at 5 pm by the African Cuban Dance Co.

Ms. Ula Zucker briefly explained the reasons behind her absences and requested that she be reinstated into her council position, Journalism Representative. Mr. Peter Gallego moved to reinstate Ms. Ula Zucker for the position of Journalism Representative. Mr. Tito Omaghomi seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
Mr. Pallaye Kane, Chair
Mr. Kane is working with the south campus for the teacher evaluation; web access for the teacher evaluations is still in question.

STUDENT SERVICES
Ms. Monica LaFrance, Chair
No report.

PANTHER POWER
Ms. Veneisha Scott, Chair
Ms. Scott announced on Aug. 25, from 11pm-1pm, Panther Power will have a free B-B-Q. She is also planning a pep rally for September. She also informed the council that the Blue Moon Café is in its final planning stages.

CHIEF OF STAFF/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - VOLUNTEER
Ms. Jenee F. Jones
Absent.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS/ SPECIAL EVENTS
Position unfilled.

FINANCE
Mr. Robert Castellanos
Mr. Castellanos is looking for the vote on the finance code. He is also looking into the completion of the Finance Forum to answer the questions of SGC funding.

He also thanked Ms. Scott, Ms. Zucker, Ms. Davey, and Ms. Bryan for the help in the completion of the finance code.

STUDENT LOBBYING/ COMMUNITY RELATIONS
Mr. Alois Odhiambo
No report.

SENATE
Mr. Robert Castellanos gave a brief synopsis of the magazine proposal. The proposal states that the magazine will receive an amount of $10,000 for four issues and the yearbook will receive an amount of $40,000. He requested any feedback regarding the magazine, which may be mailed to fiumagazine@hotmail.com.

ATHLETICS
Mr. Mitch Santilmon
Absent for the report.
Mr. Vaughn Martin

Mr. Martin is the process of deciding whether he should organize the judicial committee by himself or if he should appoint other justices to work with him. He has made a timeline of events for the beginning months of the fall semester. The timeline is as follows:

- **August 30, 1999**
  - Discovery of documents of selected schools’ By-laws and Constitution; FAU, UF
  - List of acceptable documents

- **September 14, 1999**
  - Basic organizational structure of State University System for Senate and Executive Board

**ADVISOR’S REPORT**

Mr. Rafael Zapata reminded the Council that the file for funds for September should have already been turned in. He announced that he will not be in the office from August 30, 1999 to September 3, 1999. However, Mr. Cole will be.

He also announced that the Homecoming Night has been postponed to September 2, 1999.

**SOC/SPC REPORT**

**SPC**

Ms. Lubin announced that SPC had their workshop last weekend. The workshop restructured SPC by changing the names of committees and adding a new committee.

**SOC**

Position unfilled.

Mr. Zapata informed the council that the interview for the president’s chair is still being executed; however, there are two persons in mind for the position. He will inform the council further by the end of the week, August 18, 1999.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Perkins demonstrated the new method of clocking in and out with the new time cards and the time clock.

Ms. Bryan briefly described the process for the incoming interns, and explained the Internship Program. See attached copy of schedule.

**COLLEGE OF URBAN AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

Mr. Elvis Austin Caines has been nominated by Mr. Kihohia to fill the position of the College of Urban and Public Affairs Representative. Mr. Caines took a few moments to discuss with the Council why he should be chosen. He expects to have a sequence of speakers on suggested topics, if chosen for the position. Mr. Omaghomi moved to appoint Mr. Austin Caines as the College of Urban and Public Affairs representative. Ms. Gloria Bryan seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous.

**SPECIAL EVENTS/COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

The past President of Student Government Council –North Campus is seeking the position of Special Events/ Community Relations Chairperson. He has re-entered the Council to uplift the spirit of the students. Mr. Tito Omaghomi moved to appoint Mr. Arthur Papillion as the Special Events/ Community Relations Chairperson. Ms. Dannielle Boyer seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

**OLD BUSINESS:**
The Senate concerning the Finance Code and entrusting the students of Florida International University proposed the Senate Bill #99-04SS. Please see attached form. Mr. Peter Gallego moved to pass the Senate Bill #99-04SS. Mr. Avia Rice seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:
Ms. Perkins announced that she has a new intern, Ms. Angie Berio, who will be replacing her upon graduation this December. Ms. Perkins also reminded the council not to lose the time cards because they can be reused.

ADJORNMENT:
The meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Nicole Perkins, Clerk of Council
Student Government Council, North Campus

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ATTACHMENTS: Senate Bill #99-04SS
TITLE: Adoption of the SGC North Campus Finance Code

WHEREAS: The purpose of the SGC NC Finance Code is to provide clear, concise policies for the council in financial management and budget planning, and

WHEREAS: The purpose of the SGC NC Finance Code assures complete implementation of Florida Statute 240.235(1a), and

WHEREAS: The implementation of the SGC Finance Code will continue to improve efforts to better safeguard the student activity and service (A&S) fees entrusted by the students of Florida International University, therefore

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT COUNCIL OF NORTH CAMPUS AT FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY THAT:

Section 1: It adopts the SGC North Campus Finance Code into the SGC Bylaws as the financial management and accountability policy for the North Campus SGC council.