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SGA MEETING
October 26, 1999

IN ATTENDANCE
Mr. Tito Omaghomi, President
Ms. Gloria Bryan, Internship Program Coordinator
Ms. Nicole Perkins, Clerk of Council/Secretary
Ms. Dannielle Boyer, Representative-at-Large
Ms. Anna Gruber, Hospitality Representative
Ms. Avia Rice, Representative-at-Large
Ms. Florence Carranza, Graduate Representative
Mr. Rafael Zapata, Advisor
Ms. Jenee F. Jones, Chief of Staff
Ms. Veneisha Scott, Panther Power Coordinator
Mr. Robert Castellanos, Finance Chairperson
Ms. Katrina Davey, Lower Division Representative
Mr. Vaughn Martin, Vice President
Mr. Webber Charles, Athletics Coordinator
Ms. Ula Zucker, Journalism and Mass Communications Representative
Mr. Angel Garcia, Representative-at-Large
Mr. Andre Monteiro, Lower Division Representative
Mr. Austin Caines, CUPA Representative
Mr. David Cole, Advisor

ABSENT
Ms. Monica LaFrance, Student Services Chairperson
Mr. Alioune Pallaye Kane, Academic Affairs Chairperson
Ms. Saluma Luna, Public Relations Chairperson

GUESTS
Ms. Angie Berio
Mr. Mike Alabre
Ms. Linda Lubin
Ms. Shantell Hosein

CALL TO ORDER
Mr. Vaughn Martin, SGC Vice President, called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. He asked the Council to excuse Mr. Omaghomi’s tardiness for the moment. He welcomed the Council to another meeting. The following corrections were made to the previous meeting minutes: President of SOC position filled, Ms. Anna Gruber needs to be added to the attendance. Mr. Angel Garcia moved to accept the minutes with the corrections. Ms. Anna Gruber seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
Mr. Tito Omaghomi announced that he needs 3 persons to make a report and present to the Provost the problems of the North Campus. Mr. Omaghomi informed the council that at the moment the Radio station has no transmitter. It will cost $20,000 for the transmitter and $340 for the line.

Mr. Omaghomi reminded the council that those members that have not gotten fitted for the Blazers should please do so.

Also see attached Presidential Report.
VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT
Mr. Vaughn Martin informed the Council that about four Supreme Court Justices and that each President picks two Justices. He forms an organization that pools together people with judicial experience.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS  
Mr. Pallaye Kane, Chair
Absent

STUDENT SERVICES  
Ms. Monica LaFrance, Chair
Absent

PANTHER POWER  
Ms. Veneisha Scott, Chair
Ms. Scott discussed writing letters to the various administrators to set up a one-on-one meeting with them to discuss the North Campus. At the moment Panther Power is working on developing a new logo to go on paraphernalia.

Ms. Scott spoke briefly about the voter’s drive that will be discussed at the next FSA meeting. She also asked for volunteers for Blue Moon Café and the Pep Rally.

Ms. Scott asked for each member to write down a personal mission statement and purpose.

CHIEF OF STAFF/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - VOLUNTEER  
Ms. Jenee F. Jones
The time clock is now functioning. Please use it from now on. Ms. Angie Berio will print out time cards every Monday from now on.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS/ SPECIAL EVENTS  
Position unfilled.

FINANCE  
Mr. Robert Castellanos
See attached report.
There was a motion to amend the agenda to allow for issues that needed the approval of the council. Mr. Garcia moved. Ms. Davey seconded. VOTE: Unanimous

HIMSA: Health Information Management Students Association is having a speaker and dinner and is requesting funds for this event.

SNA: Student Nursing Association is planning a trip and is requesting funds.

ISS: International Student Services is planning workshops and training sessions and is requesting funds.
Questions were directed to Mr. Castellanos concerning the amount requested by these organizations. Ms. Rice moved to approve these amounts. Ms. Davey seconded. VOTE: 2 approved 6 against. Motion Fails.

There was a proposal to transfer $625 from the General account to the President's Discretionary fund to cover the cost of the SGC Blazers. Ms. Carranza moved. Mr. Garcia seconded. The motion was retracted after discussion and the renewing balance was made known, $700 after the transfer. Ms. Zucker moved. Mr. Garcia seconded. VOTE: 7 approved 2 abstentions.

STUDENT LOBBYING/ COMMUNITY RELATIONS  
Position Unfilled.

SENATE  
Ms. Rice spoke about the upcoming forums and the format that the forums should be presented in.
ATHLETICS
Mr. Webber Charles spoke about the $1.25 per credit that if the football team were not approved, $1 million would go to SGA. They are looking into track and field, tennis, and crew for North Campus but it will not be utilized for up to 3 years. The option is available to go to the Athletic events on the University Park Campus.

Moonlight Madness has been moved to the first game of the season, which will be held November 19, 1999, time will be announced.

CHIEF JUSTICE
Mr. Vaughn Martin
Position unfilled.

PUBLIC RELATIONS
Ms. Saluma Luna
Absent.

ADVISOR'S REPORT
Mr. Cole informed the council that the first Lectures committee meeting was held the prior week. There is $70,000 allocated for lectures and one will happen during Homecoming and on the North Campus. The next meeting will be held on UP Campus November 12, 1999 at 3:00 pm. Mr. Cole is asking that more council members attend these meetings to voice the opinion of the NC students.

The Peace Walk and the Trail of Quarters was a success and Mr. Cole wants to thank the Council members that were able to participate. The amount raised from the event was $360.01. The Emerging Leaders workshop held on October 23, 1999 was a success and the next workshop will be held November 20, 1999 at UP Campus, Graham Center.

The Special Elections will be held November 22nd and 23rd, the week of Thanksgiving. The applications will be available Monday, November 01, 1999 and the deadline to turn in applications is Wednesday, November 10, 1999.

SOC/SPC REPORT

SPC
Ms. Linda Lubin informed the council that SPC is putting the spring calendar together and would like all the input she can get. The first concert will take place October 28, 1999 in the WUC Ballroom.

Ms. Lubin informed the council that SPC is putting together a programming handbook "So You Say You Want To Program". They are looking at a tentative January date for revision.

SOC
Absent

NEW BUSINESS

Appointments →

NURSING REPRESENTATIVE
Mr. Maxwell Hernandez
Mr. Maxwell Hernandez was the candidate for the position of Nursing representative. There was vote for acclimation. Mr. Vaughn Martin moved for a vote of acclimation, Mr. Angel Garcia seconded that motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

GRADUATE REPRESENTATIVE
Mr. Mohammed Imana
Mr. Mohammed Imana was the candidate for the position of Graduate representative. There was a vote for acclimation. Mr. Vaughn Martin moved for a vote of acclimation. Ms. Florence Carranza seconded that motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS
An Inroads presentation will take place on November 19-20, 1999 in Academic One. The time is TBA.
Also see attached Presidential Report.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Ms. Katrina Davey informed the Council that the Internship Program would be completing the Ropes Course on November 12, 1999 at 8:00 am.

Ms. Avia Rice reminded the Council to publicize the open positions coming up in the Special Elections.

Ms. Nicole Perkins reminded the Council of the open position of Clerk of the Council would be open as of the Spring 2000 semester.

ADJOURNMENT:
The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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ATTACHMENTS: Finance Committee Report
Projects the Committee is working on:

- Finance Guidelines for Student Organizations and Councils and Guidelines for SGC.
- Evaluating the Finance Committee Code.

Over the past month, the Committee has received 4 requests of which three were funded.

The following entities were funded:

- HIMSA Dinner $100.00
- Student Nursing Association $500.00
- International Student and Scholar Services $2250.00

Request needing approval of the Council.

- Transfer of $625 from the SGC General Fund to the Presidential Discretionary account.
- Recommendation approval of $2250 for International Student and Scholar Services.

Next Meeting Thursday November 4, 1999 at 6:30 in WUC 353.
Florida International University

TO: Student Government and SGA Committee members

FROM: Nancy Hernandez & Kim Atchison, International Student & Scholar Services

DATE: October 20, 1999

RE: BUDGET REQUEST FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS PEER MENTOR PROGRAM 1999-2000 (resubmission)

Following is the breakdown of expenses for the International Student & Scholar Services Peer Mentor Program for academic year 1999-2000:

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<th>ITEM:</th>
<th>ESTIMATED COST:</th>
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<td>Peer Stipends (5 mentors)</td>
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<td>$100 each for Fall &amp; Spring Semester and $50 each for Summer</td>
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<td>Training &amp; Workshops</td>
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<td>Mentor/Mentee Round table and Repast</td>
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<td>Cultural Events/Programs</td>
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<td>(Int'l Week, Culture Night, Diversity Picnic)</td>
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<td>Charity Events:</td>
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<td>(March of Dimes, Camillus House, Holiday gift—givers, Project Cradle)</td>
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<td>TOTAL FUNDS NEEDED:</td>
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North Campus
3000 N.E. 151 Street, North Miami, Florida 33181
Email: [Florida International University](mailto:nancy.hernandez@fiu.edu)
Memorandum

To: SGA Finance Committee
From: Nancy Hernandez, ISSS
Date: 10/21/99
Re: Tour of Miami for New International Students

Below is a breakdown of expenses for the Tour of Miami for academic year of 1999-2000. Dr. Marvin Dunn, Associate Professor of African-New World Studies Program, would conduct the tour.

Fall 1999
Bus Rental and Tour Guide $600.00

Spring 2000
Bus Rental and Tour Guide $600.00

This was presented at the Student Government Council Meeting (NC) on March 10, 1999 and March 13, 1999 at University Park Student Government Council Meeting.

We would appreciate if this program could be funded for the spring 2000, since the fall term has already started.

Thank you for you continues support. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at ext. 5813.