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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. Monica LaFrance, Student Services Chairperson
Mr. Angel Garcia, Representative-at-Large
Mr. Andre Monteiro, Lower Division Representative
Mr. Austin Caines, CUPA Representative
Mr. David Cole, Advisor
Mr. Alioune Pallaye Kane, Academic Affairs Chairperson
Ms. Saluma Luna, Public Relations Chairperson
Mr. Maxwell Hernandez, Nursing Representative

ABSENT
Ms. Helen Ellison, Advisor
Ms. Ula Zucker, Journalism and Mass Communications Representative
Mr. Mohammed Imana, Graduate Representative

GUESTS
Ms. Ana Mari Calleja
Ms. Irmine Michel, SGC Intern
Ms. Adela Lopez, SGC Intern
Ms. Joanette Brookes, SOC Chair/UP
Ms. Adina Leszczczyk

CALL TO ORDER

The SGC President, Mr. Tito Omaghomi, called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. He welcomed the Council to another meeting. The following corrections were made to the previous meeting's minutes: Ms. Adrianna Bez's name was missing from the attendance log. Ms. Katrina Davey moved to accept the minutes with the corrections. Ms. Anna Gruber seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous

PRESIDENT'S REPORT
No Report

Also see attached Presidential Report.
VICE PRESIDENT\'S REPORT
Mr. Vaughn Martin informed the Council that there is a new Beacon writer for the SGC. The former Beacon writer will be replaced. Mr. Martin also had a meeting with Dr. Patricia Telles-Irvin concerning the needs of University Wide entities, SGA, the Administration, computer communications and conference phones.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
No report.

Mr. Pallaye Kane, Chair

STUDENT SERVICES
Ms. Monica LaFrance, Chair
Ms. LaFrance scheduled a meeting with Ms. Helen Ellison, the Associate Vice-President of the North Campus. The meeting has been rescheduled, which Mr. Angel Garcia will take the place of Ms. LaFrance. She did, however, have a meeting with Mr. Paul Gallagher, Senior Vice-President of Business and Finance on November 15, 1999 @ 2:30 p.m. They spoke on topics such as the radio station and its possible antenna placement and the shuttle, which is provided for the Housing students on both campuses.

Ms. LaFrance did not have any formal complaints since the last general meeting. She continued her communication with Felicia Townsend, Assistant Director of Auxiliary Services. Ms. LaFrance was asked by Ms. Townsend to sit on many committees dealing with these issues. Of course, Ms. LaFrance accepted her invitation.

PANTHER POWER
Ms. Veneisha Scott, Chair
No report.

CHIEF OF STAFF/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - VOLUNTEER
Ms. Jenee F. Jones
Ms. Jones did not have a report but she did have ideas for a Thanksgiving drive. Her ideas included helping a homeless shelter distribute food or working in a food drive, collecting food for needy families.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS/ SPECIAL EVENTS
Position unfilled.

FINANCE
Mr. Robert Castellanos reported that the general budget is depleted from $831 to $200. Other areas include: Public relations-$9,000 to $7,518, Contingency-$5,000, Reserve-$2,000. The council determines where the money goes. Mr. Castellanos did not have any request since the last meeting so there were no items to vote on. Mr. Castellanos complimented his interns, Mike Alabre and Kwesi Rose for working so diligently.

STUDENT LOBBYING/ COMMUNITY RELATIONS
Position Unfilled.

SENATE
Ms. Rice spoke about the upcoming forums and the format that the forums should be presented in. Ms. Ula Zucker\'s Journalism forum is taking place Thursday, November 16, 1999 at 7:00 pm. Ms. Rice reported that there will be an administrative meeting January 18, 1999 at 12:30 pm in Panther Square. The Senate is looking forward to breaking up the Senators into different sub-committees, production, publicity, etc. The Senate also discussed their goals for the Spring 2000 school year.

ATHLETICS
Mr. Webber Charles spoke about buses being provided for the games at UP Campus. Mr. Charles is still working on the date for his forum, when he has the date he will place it in the council members mailboxes.
CHIEF JUSTICE  
Position unfilled.

PUBLIC RELATIONS  
 Absent

Ms. Saluma Luna

ADVISOR'S REPORT
Mr. Cole informed the council that the Calendar of Events for the Spring Semester is due November 15, 1999. If there are any events that the Council would like advertised then they need to turn them into Ms. Barbara Levy.

The Special Elections deadline to turn in candidate applications is Wednesday, November 10, 1999. The following positions are vacant:

Vice-President
Graduate Representative
2 Representatives-at-Large
Hospitality Representative
Nursing Representative
CUPA Representative
Journalism Representative
Broward Representative

The elections will take place on November 22 and 23, 1999.

SOC/SPC REPORT

SPC  
Absant.

President: Ms. Linda Lubin

SOC  
Absent

President: Stacy Wickham

NEW BUSINESS

Appointments --->

University Relations  
Ana Mari Calleja, she is an advertising major and felt she would do a good job serving the Council. Ms. Danielle Boyer moved to acclimate her. Mr. Maxwell Hernandez seconded. Motion: Passes.

An INROADS representative will be on campus November 17, 1999 at 9:30 am in the AC I SGC Booth. Refreshments will be served.

The different University Wide committees include Lectures, FIU Alumni Affairs Board of Director's, Athletics, Parking and Traffic, Bookstore Auxiliary, and Advisory.

To qualify as an excused absence, the member must submit a written letter stating the reason of absence to the President 24 hours after the missed meeting. The council must then approve the absence through a majority vote. Vote: Mr. Vaughn Martin moved. Ms. Danielle Boyer seconded. 4 in favor, 2 against, 2 abstentions. Motion Passes.

Student leaders are invited to a private reception for Desmond Tutu, December 6, 1999 at 6:30 pm. Please RSVP at 348-3692. There are 8 slots to be filled by the Tri-Council. Amendments to the current constitution will be voted on in the Special Elections. If there is no vote for it or against it then the Constitution defaults back to old Constitution.
OLD BUSINESS
Also see attached Presidential Report.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Ms. Avia Rice asked the Council for their assistance with the College Leadership Florida community service project she is now working on. It will be a rite of passage for the young women. Let her know if you are willing to help.
Ms. Avia Rice reminded the Council to publicize the open positions coming up in the Special Elections.

Mr. Angel Garcia announce the projects that he is working on:
1. Communication between the council members
2. Panther Hotline
3. Motivational quotes board on second floor.
4. Leadership 109 --- January 2000

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 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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ATTACHMENTS: President's report
Old Business

- INROADS
  I. Dates November 17, 1999 @ 9:30 P.M. and Nov. 22, 1999 @ 10 A.M.

- FSA @ UNF in Jacksonville November 19-20, 1999 @ 1PM
  I. Sign-Up

- Career Services & SGC is sponsoring a Business Etiquette Dinner
  1. WUC 255 Ballroom-North Campus @ 6:00 P.M.

New Business

- University Wide Council
  I. Summary

- Student Leaders For The Desmond Tutu Reception
  Dec. 6. @ 6:30 P.M.

- Women’s Center Division of Student Affairs
  1. Five year Anniversary, UP, GC Panther Suite, November 18, 1999 @ 6:30 P.M.
      RSVP (305) 348-3692

- Committee
  1. Lectures Committee-GC-Ruth Hamilton, Dir.
  2. FIU AA Board of Directors-GC-Carlos Becerra, Dir
  3. Athletic Committee-GC
  4. Parking and Traffic Committee-GC-
  5. Book Store Advisory Committee-NC-Felecia Townsend
  6. Scholarship Committee-Pallaye Kane

Handwritten note:

Arminda, Please add AnaMari Colleja to the payroll. She was appointed Nov. 9, 1999. Attached is a copy of the minutes. Her position is University Relations.

1-25-00
Ana-Mari Calleja

University relations/special events