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Florida International University

Student Government Council Office of the President

SGC Meeting January 16, 2002

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Adrian Carter, President

Mr. Angel Garcia, Vice-President

Ms. Nicaise Parillon, Finance Chair

Ms. Carolina Bustamante, Clerk of Council

Ms. Lilliana Ponce, Intern Coordinator

Mr. Robin Miller, Panther Power Coordinator

Ms. Sherilyn Lukas, Special Events Coordinator

Ms. Thais Council, Athletic Chair

Ms. Toshka Knight, Student Union Board Chair

Ms. Danielle Sherriff, Academic Affairs Chair

Mr. Famara Demba, International Students Chair

Mr. Alexander Lewy, Campus Life Board Chair

Mr. Muhammed Malik, Arts and Sciences Representative

Ms. Rasheedah Muhammed, CHUA Representative

Mr. Jelili Apalara, Graduate Representative

Mr. David Edwards, Hospitality Management Representative

Ms. Nazly De La Rosa, Journalism and Mass Communication Representative

Ms. Ireka Hamilton, Lower Division Representative

Mr. Hank Schramm, Lower Division Representative

Mr. Rene Salomon, Nursing Representative

Ms. Kerry Brown, Representative at Large

Mr. David L. Cole, Advisor

Mr. Rafael Zapata III, Advisor

ABSENT

Mr. Allen Weiss, Graduate Representative (Leave of Absence)

Ms. Tamara Williams, Representative at Large

Call to Order

Mr. Adrian Carter called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

The council unanimously approved the minutes with the corrections specified by a vote of acclimation.

Committee Reports

A. Academic Affairs

Ms. Danielle Sherriff

Mr. Alexander Lewy

- First meeting is on Tuesday January 22, 2002
- In charge of Scholarship Fair
- B. Campus Life

Held meeting today at 11:00 AM

- Looking into other places where hammocks will be placed
- Looking into movie night on Fridays in housing for all FIU students
- Visual enhancement of school grounds and buildings
- Researching banners for SPC (3-5 banners/8 events ~ 40 banners)

C. Finance Ms. Nicaise Parillon

- Emergency meeting to be held on January 17, 2002 in WUC 363 at 3:30 PM
- Regular meetings will be held Tuesdays or Thursdays at 3:30 PM
- Working on proposals for Peer Advisors

D. International Student Services

Mr. Famara Demba

- Has high expectations and nothing has been executed. He needs help.
- FIU is too diverse not to have an International Student Services Committee and representatives from every continent.
- Tried to send out mass e-mail to all BBC student body to ask for interested students.

E. Student Union Board

Ms. Toshka Knight

- Working on descriptions of WUC offices
- Banner for Panther Square has come in
- Looking for betterment of Student Union (i.e., painting, carpet, TV lounges)
- F. Internship Program

Ms. Lilliana Ponce

- Interns have gone through two rotations (i.e., SPC/SOC, SPC/SGC)
- Interns completed the Ropes course
- Will ask interns to help promote SGC elections
- Will organize manual for next intern coordinator
- Meetings are every other Friday beginning on January 18, 2002 in WUC 363 at 8:30 AM.
- Will hold an internship banquet
- G. Special Events

Ms. Sherilyn Lukas

- Will speak with Vladimir to see where they will put the banners up
- Pens are in
- Getting a plaque
- Looking into past presidents for plaque

Special Guests

- 1. Dr. Raul Moncarz
 - · Number of students has increased
 - Concerned about 8:00 AM time slot for courses
 - Working with school of business to get more classes
 - Will get ten \$500 Scholarships
 - FIU will be having summer classes
 - There are 30,000 students registered in FIU and of those 8,000 are in BBC
 - Nursing will not be moving for another 3-4 years
 - More social work classes.
 - 800 students in business school / 80-100 full-time professors

Advisor's Report

Mr. David Cole

- Thursday at 9:00 AM there will be a Martin Luther King youth forum
- 3rd Annual Peace Walk geared toward commitment of peace.
- Winston Scott is going to be a guest speaker
- Friday at 8:00 AM there will be a Martin Luther King Commemorative breakfast
- Construction of the WUC will begin by the end of the semester.

Vice-President's Report

Mr. Angel Garcia

- Working on meeting rooms in library. They need markers and dry erase boards
- Spoke with Dr. Rosenberg and he says that we have to fight for more classes.

President's Report

Mr. Adrian Carter

- SGC retreat is on January 25 –27, 2002
- Wants Ireka Hamilton and Hank Schramm to go to Freshman Experience Classes
- In the event that SGC does not get the money. We will take it from the General account.
 - Mr. Muhammed Malik Made the motion. Ms. Toshka Knight seconded the motion. The council voted 7-0-2. The motion passed.

Resolutions

- Resolution in support of the installation of condom dispenser machines at selected housing and WUC bathrooms.
 - o Mr. Angel Garcia moved to approve Resolution mentioned. Mr. Alexander Lewy seconded the motion.
 - o Mr. Muhammed Malik stated a friendly amendment to change line 2 of Rsolution mentioned to: Recognizes the potential of the condom as a preventive barrier against STD's. Mr. Kyle Salomon accepts the friendly amendment.
 - The condom dispensers will be up before sexual responsibility week which is before Valentine's Day.
 - o Mr. Jelili Apalara stated a friendly amendment to write out message on dispensers stating: Absention and fidelity to sexual partner is still the best. Mr. Kyle Salomon did not accept because that is not what the resolution is for.
 - o Mr. Angel Garcia moves to approve Resolution mentioned plus the friendly amendment. Mr. Kyle Salomon seconded. The council voted 7-0-2. The motion passed.
- Resolution in amendment of the retraction of the Joseph Lafortune scholarship through allocating \$500 to compensate for the promised amount.
 - o Ms. Toshka Knight moved to approve Resolution mentioned. Mr. Hank Schramm seconded the motion.
 - o Mr. Hank Schram stated a friendly amendment to add to the title: Compensation from SGC. Mr. Kyle Salomon accepted.
 - o Mr. Muhammed Malik moved to approve Resolution mentioned. Mr. Kyle Salomon seconded the motion. The council voted unanimously 8-0-0. The motion passed.
 - ✓ Resolutions that need to be corrected are to be turned in by the next day to the chair.

Appointments

- 1. Housing Representative: Ms. Deborah Gray
 - ❖ The council voted unanimously 7-0-0. The motion passed.
- 2. Representative-at-Large: Ms. Suline Beauge
 - ❖ The council voted 6-0-1. The motion passed.

New Business

- "A Black Tie Affair: International Student Scholarship Drive" will be on February 23, 2002 at 7:00 pm in the WUC Ballroom.
- The first BTA meeting will be on Friday, January 25, 2002 at 10:00 am in WUC 159.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.