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Florida International University



Student Government Council

SGC Meeting January 30, 2002

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Adrian Carter, President Mr. Angel Garcia, Vice-President Ms. Nicaise Parillon, Finance Chair Ms. Toshka Knight, Chief of Staff Ms. Carolina Bustamante, Clerk of Council Mr. Tyrik McKeiver, Athletic Director Ms. Sherilyn Lukas, Special Events Director Ms. Tamara Williams, 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. David Edwards, Hospitality Management Representative Ms. Nazly De La Rosa, Journalism and Mass Communication Representative Mr. Hank Schramm, Lower Division Representative Mr. Rene Salomon, Nursing Representative Ms. Kerry Brown, Representative at Large Ms. Suline Beauge, Representative at Large Mr. David L. Cole, Advisor Mr. Rafael Zapata III, Advisor



ABSENT

Ms. Lilliana Ponce, Intern Director (excused) Mr. Robin Miller, Panther Power Director (excused)

Call to Order

Mr. Adrian Carter called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

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

Guests

A. Dr. Patricia Telles-Irvin

- Chair of Steering Committee of the NCAA
- Four fundamental purposes guide the evaluation of the Athletic Program at Florida International University:
 - > To improve the quality of its athletic program,
 - To reexamine operational standards for the athletic program to ensure operational compliance with Division I athletic principles,
 - > To assess the strengths and challenges of FIU's intercollegiate athletics,
 - To provide opportunities for university-wide involvement by faculty, staff and students as well as the community to familiarize themselves with the operation of the intercollegiate athletic programs.

B. Dr. Raul Monacarz

Vice-Provost of Student Affairs

- Summer classes have been re-instituted, even on Fridays
- Enrollment Summitt--re-establish what is going on

Biscayne Bay Campus, WUC 353, North Miami, Florida 33181 • (305) 919-5680 • Fax: (305) 919-5771

- School of Business- offering less courses next semester on both campuses looking into advisor problem
 - Several schools are interested in staying
 - > CHUA
 - > Nursing
 - Criminal Justice
 - Public Administration
- Trying to bring back college of education; looking into re-certification and certification of teachers and masters program.
- Marine Biology is looking for building marina.
- Bottom line is to offer more courses.
- There is an ongoing major effort for visibility for FIU sign at entrance of school

Committee Reports

C. Academic Affairs

- Speaking with Mr. McCowan
- Working on getting all the syllabi on-line
- Surveys for school of business
- Scholarship fair (SGC Scholarship Fair)
- Internship opportunities and job opportunities
- Surveys are currently being filled out for the Honors college
- D. Campus Life
 - Had meeting on January 30, 2002 at 11:30 pm
 - Working on Hammocks in housing
 - Looking into movies in housing on Wednesdays

They will announce if they are meeting with the Beacon on February 6, 2002

- Want to have an RC racer and SGC panther advertise FIU
- Working on SPC banners
- E. Finance

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- Founded four entities
- F. International Student Services
 - Had their second meeting on January 29, 2002
 - Went over bylaws
- G. Student Union Board
 - Putting office descriptions into final stage
 - Arranging events for every other Wednesday
 - Going to speak to Mr. David Cole about FTE fees
 - In search of progress with cafeteria and gym
 - Will meet with Mr. Bill Williamson
 - Will distribute more food surveys
 - Wants to set-up booth for committee to stand at and answer questions for students
- H. Student Services Chair
 - Checking if the library is ADA compliant in order to change the room
 - Working on Panther card services
- I. Special Events
 - Spoke to Vladimir about banners
 - Will be handing out flyers for Black Tie Affair
- J. Chief of Staff
 - Changing time sheets
 - Working on RAD and spoke with Metro Transit special projects assistant
 - Wrote up proposal to Dr. Brian Haynes about Mission RAD
 - She also needs letter of consent form administration and student government for metro transit
 - Will have a formal meeting with the marketing chair for surveys
 - Plans to have one on one meetings with all cabinet members
 - Strategic planning is very important

Mr. Alexander Lewy

Ms. Danielle Sherriff

Ms. Nicaise Parillon

Mr. Famara Demba

Ms. Tamara Williams

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Ms. Sherilyn Lukas

Ms. Toshka Knight

Ms. Kerry Brown/Mr. Hank Schramm

<u>Advisors</u>

- 1. Mr. Davis Cole
 - There are no detailed drawings about the planned construction
 - Once the architects get all our need then they will do focus groups with faculty, staff, students, etc.
 - Will get drawings of proposed construction for Campus Life
 - They are coming up with a conclusion and we will get to choose one
 - Start of cafeteria and fitness center will be Spring 2003
- 2. Mr. Rafael Zapata
 - There will be a hypnosis and comedy magic show on January 31, 2002

Announcements

- Ms. Ireka Hamilton is no longer on the council because she does not have enough credits
- Ms. Deborah Gray cannot be on the council because she does not have the grades necessary to be on the council.

Vice-President's Report

Met up with assistant at library to discuss dry erase boards.

_Mr. Angel Garcia

- Will be purchasing four 5 X 4 boards and will be implemented by end of the week.
- February 13, 2002 at 3:30 pm there will be a legislative meeting in WUC 363
- Working on forum

Broward Campus

- Will be offering more classes
- Offices are moving
- Still in search of looking for Broward Representative

Resolutions

4 Proposals

- 1) Pan African club wants \$1,500 for Kompa Concert
 - Finance Committee suggests funding them \$700
 - They will charge \$3.00 for students
 - Hank Schramm moves to fund the Pan-African club \$700 from the general account. Mr. Muhammed Malik seconded the motion. The council voted 10-0-0. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2) Peer Advisors are asking for \$1,847 for rooms for their retreat
 - Finance Committee suggests funding them \$1,847
 - Mr. David Edwards move to fund the Peer Advisors \$1,847 for retreat. Ms. Nazly De La Rosa seconded the motion. Ms. Toshka Knight wanted to add a friendly amendment to fund the peer advisors \$2,094 because of incorrect calculations.
 - Proposals must be presented in form of appropriations next time.
- 3) S.T.A.R.S (Students taking advantages of resources to success) are asking for \$600
 - Ms. Rasheedah Muhammed moved to fund the MPAS S.T.A.R.S \$600. Ms. Toshka Knight seconded the motion. The council voted 7-0-2. The motion passed.

Resolutions

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- Resolution in support of cabinet positions changing to director from coordinator.
 - Ms. Toshka Knight moves to change the cabinet positions from director to coordinator. Mr. Angel Garcia seconded the motion. The council voted unanimously. The motion passed.
- Resolution in support of dissolving the Tri-Council

- Ms. Rasheedah Muhammed moved to dissolve the BBC Tri-Council. Mr. Muhammed Malik seconded the motion. Ms. Rasheedah Muhammed moves to resind the motion. Mr. Muhammed Malik moves to table the motion. Mr. Alexander Lewy seconded the tabling of the motion.
- Resolution in support of commencing an annual SGC inaugural address and town hall meeting at the Biscayne Bay Campus.
 - Ms. Toshka Knight made a motion to have an annual SGC inaugural address and town hall meeting at the BBC campus. Ms. Tamara Williams seconded the motion. The council voted 8-0-0. The motion passed.
- Resolution in support of revising the SGC mission statement.
 - Mr. Muhammeed Malik moved to table the motion until the next General Council meeting. Ms. Toshka Knight seconded the motion. The council voted 6-0-0. The motion passed.
- Resolution in support of adopting a vision statement for SGC
 - Ms. Toshka Knight moved to table the motion until the next General Council meeting. Mr. Muhammed Malik seconded the motion. The council voted 6-0-0. The motion passed.
- Resolution in amendment of the retraction of the Joseph Lafortune scholarship through allocating \$500 to compensate for the promised amount.
 - o Mr. Kyle Salomon retracted the Joseph Lafortune scholarship resolution.
- Ms. Toshka Knight moved to adjorn the meeting. Mr. Muhammed Malik seconded the motion. The council voted 3-1-2. The motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.

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