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Florida International University

Student Government Council

SGC Meeting
October 31, 2001

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Adrian Carter, President
Mr. Angel Garcia, Vice-President
Ms. Nicaise Parillon, Finance Chair
Ms. Diana Stevens, Director of Student Lobbying
Mr. Robin Miller, Panther Power Coordinator
Ms. Sherilyn Lukas, Special Events Coordinator
Ms. Thais Council, Athletic Chair
Ms. Toshka Knight, Student Union Board Chair
Mr. Anel Avila, Student Services Chair
Ms. Danielle Sherriff, Academic Affairs Chair
Mr. Famara Demba, International Students Chair
Ms. Rose Gaston, Elections Chair
Ms. Marline Polissaintvil, Judicial Board Chair
Mr. Casty Guillaume, Business Administration Representative
Mr. Allen Weiss, Graduate Representative
Mr. David Edwards, Hospitality Management Representative
Ms. Jenice Harris, Housing Representative
Ms. Ireka Hamilton, Lower Division Representative
Mr. Hank Schramm, Lower Division Representative
Mr. Rene Salomon, Nursing Representative
Ms. Kerry Brown, Representative at Large
Ms. Tamara Williams, Representative at Large
Mr. Rafael Zapata III, Advisor

ABSENT

Ms. Carolina Bustamante, Clerk of Council
Ms. Lilliana Ponce, Intern Coordinator
Mr. Muhammed Malik, Arts and Sciences Representative
Mrs. Natalia Flores, Journalism and Mass Communication Representative
Mr. David L. Cole, Advisor

EXCUSED

Ms. Christie Lowey, Public Relations Chair
Ms. Maggie Millan, Chief of Staff
Mr. Alexander Lewy, Campus Life Board Chair
Ms. Nikka Scott, Representative at Large

Call to Order

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

Approval of Minutes

Minutes are dispensed until the next General Council Meeting.

Appointments

1. Director of Technological Advancement: Mr. Andrew Hagewood
❖ The council voted unanimously 10-0-0. The motion passed.

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs Chair

Ms. Danielle Sherriff

- Criminal Justice and Business schools have scholarships coming up in the spring.
- Working with Career Services to get more scholarships
- Have six secured scholarships.
 - Nursing (\$500)
 - Business
 - Criminal Justice
- Committee meetings on Thursdays at 11:15 p.m. in the Student Government offices.
 - Mr. Casty Guillaume is looking into comparing FIU's grading scale to other universities.

Campus Life

Mr. Alexander Lewy

- Working on "Hammocks by the Bay" project

Finance Chair

Ms. Nicaise Parillon

- Continuing to work on the Balances of the Council
- Finance committee is designing a form in order to request funds from Student Government
- Suggestions for the form are requested
- Presented General fund, Executive and Senate Balances, and Panther Power Balances
- Budget Hearing for increase in athletic fees will be at the next General Council Meeting.

International Student Services Chair

Mr. Famara Demba

- Trying to get several representatives from different parts of the world in order to have a greater representation and to hear concerns and complaints.

Student Services

Mr. Anel Avila

- Resolution on stamp machine
- Kiosks are to arrive in the month of November. The committee will stay on top of that.
- Committee intends to go to every department to evaluate attitudes toward students
 - Mr. Adrian Carter suggests that a formal letter be written in order to express to the different departments what is expected from Student government and the attitude that is to be taken toward the students.
- The relocation of the library room 212 to 112 is going to be discussed and evaluated. Meeting with Dr. Raul Moncarz will be scheduled.

Student Union Board

Ms. Toshka Knight

- Resolutions to be approved will be presented
- Food Committee is working with the food service director, Art.
- Next Student Union Board Meeting will be Friday at 11:00 p.m. in room 363
- There is a theatre advisory committee, which governs the Mary Anne Wolfe theatre. Meetings are every three months.

Student Programming Council

ABSENT

Student Organizational Council

ABSENT

Emoluments

- ~~Ms. Arminda Pravia is unclear about what certain committee members are earning.~~
- The council moves by a vote of acclimation to approve for the new positions: Athletics chair, Chief of Staff, and Director of Technological Advancement to get paid \$3,000. The motion passes.

Resolutions

- a. Resolution 01-05 is in support of hanging a banner reading "Panther Square" in the Panther Square area of the Wolfe University Center.
- Mr. Angel Garcia moved to approve the hanging of a banner reading "Panther Square" in the Panther Square area of the Wolfe University Center as stated in Resolution 01-05. Ms. Tamara Williams seconded the motion. The council voted unanimously to approve (10-0-0).

- b. Resolution 01-06 is in support of the Wolfe University Center replacing the pre-existing water fountain on the third floor of the Wolfe University Center.
- Mr. Angel Garcia moves to approve Resolution 01-06 for the replacement of the water fountain on the third floor of the Wolfe University Center. Ms. Tamara Williams seconded the motion. The council unanimously agrees (10-0-0).
- c. Resolution in support of maintaining a set of guidelines of operation known as bylaws for the standing committees of the Biscayne Bay Campus Student Government Council from Campus Life Committee was not entertained at the current time by the chair
- d. Resolution 01-07 is in support of putting a stamp machine on the Biscayne Bay Campus.
 - Mr. Robin Miller moves to approve Resolution 01-07 in support of putting a stamp machine on the Biscayne Bay Campus. Ms. Ireka Hamilton seconded the motion. The council agrees unanimously (10-0-0).
- e. Resolution 01-08 is in support of beginning the tradition of having an event in Panther Square every Wednesday night.
 - Ms. Jenice Harris moves to accept Resolution 01-08 in order to support the beginning of having an event in Panther Square every Wednesday night. Mr. Robin Miller seconded the motion. The council voted unanimously (10-0-0) to accept the motion.

Committee Assignments

- FIU AIDS Committee: Ms. Ireka Hamilton, Mr. Rene Salomon
- Putting up condom vending machines in the bathrooms
- November 19th AIDS Awareness day
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Town Hall Meeting

- Have any of the issues been addressed or have issues been forwarded to specific committees?
- Please do not let this event go unnoticed. Many good things came out of it.

Website update

- ~~All information to be turned in to Mr. Andrew Hagewood so he can put it on the website.~~

Vice-President's Report

- Student Government should take a stand with the administration and try to implement a customer service training.
- Legislative members are working hard
- Already planning next year's forum.
- Try setting up philanthropic event. Suggestions are welcome.
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President's Report

- Football Scrimage went very well. Commended Mr. Robin Miller for his great work.



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