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# Florida International University

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Student Government Council  
Office of the President

SGC General Council Meeting 10/16/02

## **In Attendance:**

Mr. Adrian Carter, President  
Mr. Alexander Lewy, Vice President  
Ms. Nicaise Parillon, Finance Chair  
Mr. Hank Schramm, Director of Student Lobbying  
Mr. Sheldon Moleton, International Student Chair  
Ms. Ruth-Allyson Webster, Director of Special Events  
Ms. Mfonobong Essiet, Lower Division Representative  
Ms. Nicolette White, Representative-at-large  
Ms. Julie Natter, Academic Affairs Chair  
Mr. Leonardo Scarpati, Arts and Sciences Representative  
Ms. Rasheedah Muhammad, CHUA Representative  
Mr. Tyrik Mckeiver, Athletic Director  
Ms. Shearon Reid, Housing Representative  
Ms. Denise Dixon, Elections Commissioner  
Ms. Thatine Camargo, Chief of Staff  
Ms. Terriane Campbell, Director of Public Relations  
Mr. Neil Harrison, Hospitality Management Representative  
Ms. Jennifer Hazan, Lower Division Representative  
Ms. Kristin Frankson, Campus Life Chair

## **Arrived Late**

Ms. Juliana Arias, Clerk of Council  
Ms. Kattia Latino, Representative at Large

## **Absent:**

## **Leave of Absence**

## **Guests**

A General Meeting of the Student Government Council was held on October 16, 2002. President Adrian Carter was present, with a quorum present; the meeting was called to order at 3:32 pm. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved by vote of acclamation.

## **Representative Reports**

Lower Division Representative

Ms. Mfonobong Essiet

- Online Contest
  - Will be discussing issue of uploading file program.
- Peer Advisors housing payment
  - Research found peer advisors on south campus workload was greater than peer advisors on BBC.
- Umbrellas for patio tables
  - Has found umbrellas priced at \$229.

- Includes a 3-year warranty.
- Availability of VISA use in food court.
  - Found that University would rather the use of “Panther Debit card”.
  - Will take 24 hours to activate debit card.

Lower Division Representative II

Ms. Jennifer Hazan

- Vegetarian Food selection in food court
  - Working on newsletter to inform students of availability
- Bookstore
  - Researching possibility of students receiving more money for the resale of used textbooks.

Representative at large

Ms. Nicolette White

- Gratitude Day Proposal
  - Working with President Andrian Carter on creating a resolution.
  - Currently looking for “Gratitude Day” buttons.
- More microwaves in the cafeteria.
- Support Groups For Students
  - Working with Women’s Center to find the feasibility of providing grieving students with support.

Arts and Sciences Representative

Mr. Leonardo Scarpati

- Issues being researched.
  - More classes offered on campus.
  - Bug Issue
  - Water Issue in housing
    - Was informed by the Business and Finance Chair that water pipes were in process of being changed.
    - Fliers were posted not to drink the water.

CHUA Representative

Ms. Rasheedah Muhammad

- Faculty Meetings
  - Working on possibility of student representative being present during meetings.
- Working on keeping more classes on the Biscayne Bay Campus.

Hospitality Management Representative  
Harrison

Mr. Neil

- Vending Machines
  - Was turned down due to Club Crossroads.
- Adjustment of class times.
  - 8-8:30am mornings and 5-5:30pm
- Lobby for hospitality class curriculum internship.
- Working on limiting professor’s power.

- Implementing Diversity Training for campus police.
  - Due to misunderstanding during Caribbean feast.
- New Dental Plan policy
  - Adjustment in fees.
  - Will work with Ms. Rasheedah Muhammad to present major points to council.

Housing Representative

Ms. Sheاون Reid

- Water in Housing
  - Currently has no filter system implementing will be costly.
  - Discoloration of water is due to sulfur.
  - Water has been tested and is safe.
  - Residents are encouraged to use filters in kitchen.
- Games Night for residents.

Representative at Large

Ms. Kattia Latino

- Working on Nursing Survey.
- Working with bookstore on textbooks fee.
  - Has a schedule appointment to work with deans on possibility of requiring departments to use the same textbook for one year.

Presidents Report

Mr. Adrian Carter

- “Riding across the disciplines”
  - Town hall meeting 10am at UP campus
  - Class size amendment will be discussed.
  - SGC members are encouraged to attend.

Finance Report

Ms. Nicaise Parillon

- General Resolve balance is currently \$11,700.
- Appropriations:
  - Funding for Alumni Association  
So moved by Mr. Levy  
The council voted in favor unanimously
  - Public Safety Blue Light Night Out  
Mr. Leonardo Scarpati offered a friendly amendment of \$500 for clubs.  
The council voted 5-2-1. The motion was passed.
- Resolutions
  - Funding for SOC furniture  
The council voted unanimously in favor. The resolution was passed.
  - Who’s who magazine”  
The council voted 6-1-0. The motion was passed.

Representatives in favor

Mr. Alexander Levy

Ms. Sheاون Reid

Ms. Jennifer Hazon  
Mr. Leonardo Scarpati

Mr. Neil Harrison  
Ms. Nicolette White  
Funding for SGC Furniture

A friendly amendment of \$3901.16 was presented by Mr. Alexander Levy. Amendment was accepted by Mr. Leonardo Scarpati. The council voted 4-2-1. The motion was passed.

Representatives in favor

Mr. Alexander Levy  
Mr. Leonardo Scarpati  
Ms. Rasheedah Muhammad  
Ms. Sheanon Reid

The meeting was adjourned at 5pm

Corrected:

[OR]

Approved: