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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. Sheaon Reid, Housing Representative
Ms. Denise Dixon, Elections Commissioner
Ms. Thatine Camargo, Chief of Staff
Ms. Terriannne 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 Mr. Neil Harrison
• 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 Muhummad to present major points to council.

Housing Representative Ms. Sheaon 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.

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. Sheon Reid
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. Sheaon Reid

The meeting was adjourned at 5pm

Corrected:

[OR]

Approved: