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## Florida International University

### Student Government Council

## Minutes SGC General Meeting 1/19/2005

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

- Ms. Ruth Webster, President
- Mr. Michael Hepburn, Vice President
- Mr. Micah Mintz, Finance Chair
- Ms. Monique Jacob, Executive Assistant
- Mr. Zachary Trautenberg, Student Union Board Chair
- Ms. Maxi Bakst, Director of Special Events
- Mr. Jason Geller, Director of Public Relations
- Ms. Natkisha Jean-Baptiste, Lower Division Representative
- Ms. Tauheedah Stephens, Rep at Large
- Mr. Daryl Hall, Broward Rep
- Mr. Franklin Soares, Housing Representative
- Mr. Daniel Medina, Rep at Large
- Mr. Jayesh D'Sousa, Graduate Representative
- Mr. Craig Cunningham, Director of Campus Life & Orientation

#### ABSENT:

- Ms. Marline Polisaintvil, Clerk of Council
- Mr. Casey McClendon, Hospitality Representative

#### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE:**

#### GUESTS:

- Ms. Mfonobong Essiet
- Ms. Lorna Sylvestre
- Ms. Jeanette Espinosa
- Ms. Carol Howard
- Ms. Alsy Acevedo, National Association of United Journalism Students
- Mr. Raul Moncarz, Vice Provost of Academic Affairs
- Mr. Leman McCray

A General Meeting of the Student Government Council was held on January 19, 2005. President Ruth Webster was present and the meeting was called to order at 3:43 p.m. There were no minutes to be approved.

#### President's Report

□ FSA meeting at FAU

There will be an FSA meeting at Florida Atlantic University, Boca on Friday January 21; Ms. Webster said that all members were invited to attend because it is being held so close.

#### □ Fee Committee Meeting

At the upcoming fee committee, meeting Campus Recreation, for both the University Park and the Biscayne Bay Campuses, will be requesting a fee increase so that they will be able to improve their program offerings.

#### □ Intern Program

Currently we do not have an intern director and therefore it has decided that Mr. Hepburn will be in charge of the program until the position is filled.

#### □ Time Cards

Members have not been filling out there time cards. Ms. Webster and Mr. Hepburn have decided that time cards will now be located at the Campus Life front desk and members will sign in there and when they leave the office, they will sign out there. Time cards are not to be removed from the front desk.

#### □ SGAsk

The current proposal for SGAsk is that it be held the third Wednesday of every month, the next one will be held on February 16. After SGAsk, the council will be visiting housing for an open forum between the students living in housing and council members. This open forum will be at 5pm.

#### □ New Member Check List

#### □ Goals

Ms Webster said that she and Mr. Hepburn have revised the council's goals for this semester and have come up with the following:

- O Customer Service she will be looking into implementing a Compliment/Complain box in all departments, staff members in these departments should where name tags so that can be identified. At the end of the year, the staff members who have received the most compliments will receive an award from the council.
- o Expanding the services offered by the Wolfe University Center.
- o Campus Beautification project
- o Housing renovations painting of the building has already been approved.
- o Increased class offerings on BBC.

#### **Appointments**

There were two persons up for appointment to the Council:

- ☐ Lorna Sylvestre presented for appointment to the position of Panther Power Director
- Leman McCray presented for appointment to the position of Director of Community Relations

### Vice President Report

Intern Program – nineteen members have already confirmed to be a part of the intern program. The welcome meeting will be held on Friday January 21. New members of the council will also be a part of the program so that they will learn the proper procedures and requirements for being a member of the council

## **Community Comments**

The council was informed of the upcoming Jose Marti Breakfast and essay competition.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15pm.