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# Florida International University

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## Student Government Council

### **Minutes SGA General Meeting February 1, 2006**

#### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr. Lemar Linton- President  
Mr. Brent Maximin- Vice President  
Mr. Christian Jeannot- Chief of Staff  
Mr. Camilo Silva- Lower Division Representative  
Mr. Andre Brathwaite- Hospitality Management Representative  
Mr. Andrew Doblinger- Broward Pines Center Representative  
Mr. Jayesh D'Souza- International Student Services Chairperson  
Mr. Joseph McKinney- Director of Student Lobbying

#### **ABSENT**

Mr. Zachary Trautenberg- Comptroller  
Mr. Charles Blake- Parliamentarian  
Ms. Kenasha Paul- Clerk of Council  
Ms. Tamerra Bailey- Director of Special Events  
Ms. Vanessa Robinson- Director of Athletics  
Ms. Stacy-Ann Samuels- Panther Power Director  
Ms. Courtney Alexander- Student Services Chairperson  
Mr. Aldo Jansel- Student Union Board Chairperson  
Mr. Robin Chicly- Campus Life Board Chairperson  
Ms. Maxi Bakst- Judicial Board Chairperson  
Ms. Ytaelena Lopez- Graduate Representative  
Ms. Lenneice Drew- Journalism/ Mass Communication Representative

#### **GUESTS**

Ms. Vicky Owles, Assistant Director of Orientation  
Ivy Siegel, Broward Pines Center Coordinator

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The general meeting of the Student Government Association at the Biscayne Bay Campus was called to order on February 1, 2006, 3.46 pm in the conference room of the Broward Pines Center. Vice President Maximin chaired the meeting.

## **ROLL CALL**

Each person present introduced himself/herself, along with respective titles/ positions.

## **WELCOME**

Vice President Maximin welcomed everyone in attendance to the first meeting for the semester at the Broward Pines Center. He emphasized that we really need to show our support for this campus (Broward Pines Center) as SGA does govern it. Appreciation was expressed to Ivy Siegel and Andrew Doblinger for their hospitality in hosting the meeting.

## **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

There were no minutes to be approved. Review and approval of minutes from January 25, 2006 general meeting will occur at next general meeting.

## **COUNCIL BILL**

Vice President Maximin turned the meeting over to President Linton to chair the next agenda item. VP Maximin brought a motion to add a Council Bill to the agenda. This motion was seconded by Hospitality Management Representative Andre Brathwaite. The motion passed unanimously and the Council Bill was added to the agenda.

President Linton read the Council Bill to everyone present (please see attachment for a copy of the Council Bill). The floor was then opened for discussion. Broward Pines Center Representative Andrew Doblinger indicated his support of the Council Bill. Vice President Maximin motioned for the floor to be closed for discussion and a vote to be taken. The motion was seconded by Lower Division Representative Camilo Silva. The motion passed unanimously. President Linton called for a vote from all voting members present. The Council Bill passed unanimously, 4 In Favor, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained.

President Linton turned the meeting back over to Vice President Maximin to chair the remainder of the meeting.

## **VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

Vice President Maximin briefly mentioned an incident of office misconduct which occurred on January 30, 2006. He emphasized that proper etiquette is to be exercised while in office and unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated.

## **PRESIDENT REPORT**

President Linton re-emphasized that proper protocol must be used while in office and when representing the Student Government Association. He indicated that he will pursue

any misconduct to the extent that the parties involved will be barred from the Office of Campus Life and Orientation.

President Linton told council members and guests that he will be serving as a member of the DRU (Disaster Resistant University) Advisor Team. The team met today, February for at the University Park Campus. The purpose of the team is to create a DRU action plan in order to receive federal funding in preparing FIU for all future hazards.

VP Maximin and President Linton will be in attendance at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Florida Student Association meeting for the semester. The meeting will take place on February 10, 2006 at the University of Florida in Gainesville. Two important matters will be presented and/or voted on at this FSA meeting:

- Using FSA funding to support statewide election campaigns- members requested that President Linton seek to have the matter tabled. A presentation should then be taken back by all Presidents to their individual councils before a vote is taken on the situation.
- FAU reinstatement in FSA- Florida Atlantic University will be presenting to FSA on reasons for leaving the organization and their requests and needs before they re-join.

President Linton announced that there will be a University-Wide Budget Hearing at the Biscayne Bay Campus, WUC 159 on Friday February 3, 2006 at 4.30pm.

### **OPEN DISCUSSION/ COMMENTS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A list of important dates and events are listed in the agenda.

The next SGA general meeting will be held on February 8, 2006 in WUC 159.

Representatives' Day will be held on February 22, 2006 from 11am – 3pm in Panther Square.

FIU-BBC Leadership Summit will take place on February 3, 2006. Register as soon as possible at <http://wuc.fiu.edu>.

Tour of the Broward Pines Center facility, conducted by Ivy Siegel and Broward Pines Center Representative Andrew Doblinger immediately following adjournment of SGA general meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by Vice President Maximin at 4.26pm.



# COUNCIL BILL

*Florida International University – Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus*

**Agenda Item:** Amendment to By-Laws of Student Government Council at Biscayne Bay Campus

**Sponsors:** Brent Maximin, Vice President and Camilo Silva, Lower Division Representative

**Committee:** N/A

**Date:** February 1, 2006

An act relating to Section XX of the By-Laws of the Student Government Council at the Biscayne Bay Campus.

Be it enacted by the Student Government Council at the Biscayne Bay Campus of Florida International University.

Section 1:

The By-Laws of the Student Government Council at the Biscayne Bay campus, Section XX, Part A- entitled Meetings; currently states: “For the purpose of regular meetings, the Council will meet on a Wednesday at 3:15 PM in WUC 159. All SGC Members must schedule around this. Meetings will only last a maximum of three (3) hours. The meeting time can be waived to accommodate the largest number of members with a majority vote of the voting members.”

Section 2:

The Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus By-Laws, Section XX, Part A will be amended as follows:

“For the purpose of regular meetings, the Council will meet on a Wednesday at 3:15 PM in ~~WUC 159~~. All SGC Members must schedule around this. Meetings will only last a maximum of three (3) hours. The meeting time can be waived to accommodate the largest number of members with a majority vote of the voting members.”

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|  | ABSTAINED: 0   | B 06  |   |
|  | OPPOSED: 0     | # 02  |   |
|  |                |       | Lemar Linton, SGC President                                       |

Section XX, Part A will read:

“For the purpose of regular meetings, the Council will meet on a Wednesday at 3:30 PM in a location determined by the President. All SGC Members must schedule around this. Meetings will only last a maximum of three (3) hours. The meeting time can be waived to accommodate the largest number of members with a majority vote of the voting members.”

Section 3:

The amendment will become effective immediately. The Student Government Council By-Laws of the Biscayne Bay Campus will be properly enumerated to accommodate the amendment, if necessary.