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AGENDA

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February 22, 2006

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| I. WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER | Alex Prado
SGC President |
| II. ROLL CALL | Katie Bechtold
SGC Clerk |
| III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES | |
| IV. PRESIDENT REPORT | Alex Prado
SGC President |
| V. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT | Christine Denton
SGC Vice-President |
| VI. COMPTROLLER REPORT | Nancy Cadavid
SGC Comptroller |
| VII. CHIEF OF CABINET REPORT | Brittany M. Juliachs
SGC Chief of
Cabinet |
| VIII. SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE REPORT | Alfonso Leon
SGC Speaker of the
House |
| IX. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES | |
| A) Academic Affairs | |
| B) Campus Life | |
| C) International Students | |
| D) Student Services | |
| E) Student Union | |
| X. REPORT OF BOARDS | |
| A) Elections Board | |
| B) Judicial Board | |

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XI. REPORTS OF STANDING COUNCILS

- A) Panther Rage
- B) SPC
- C) Homecoming

XII. REPORTS OF GOVERNING COUNCILS

- A) Honors
- B) GSA
- C) RHA
- D) SOC

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

None

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

A) APP 05-37 SAGA Proposal (Hilda Rose Benard, Graduate Representative and Christine Denton, Vice President)

B) APP 05-38

XV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A) Mandatory FIU Day training – February 17 and 24 from 1:00-3:00 in GC 150.
- B) Scholarship applications went out on February 13th and are due back March 17th. The notification will be on April 17th.
- C) Newly Elected Representatives please go to the SGA office to see Phillip to fill out paper work.
- D) Health and Wellness surveys are out. Please help pass them out.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT



APPROPRIATION

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Agenda Item: **TIESWeb Transatlantic Miami Week**
 Sponsors: Mari Cabrera, Representative At-Large and Alfonso Leon, Representative At-Large
 Committee: Finance Committee
 Date: February 22, 2006

TIESWeb Transatlantic Miami Week

Whereas, The Student Government Council-University Park concerns itself with “serving as an advocate for the interests of students,” as well as “fostering student life, encouraging community involvement,” and “acting as a liaison between the student body, the University, and external communities,”

Whereas, The Transatlantic Conference is a magnificent opportunity to expose FIU’s students to current issues facing the global community in the areas of International Education, the Atlantic Rim, Middle East 2020, and Transatlantic Leadership.

Whereas, TIESWeb-Transatlantic Conference will be hosting an event on the week of April 3, 2006 at Florida International University, and seeing that the other universities in collaboration are contributing both meeting space and monetary support.

Whereas, This event brings visibility and exposure to FIU, Miami, and the entire South Florida community; it will also provide the opportunity for students to network and directly influence individuals that are major players in the international arena through active participation and interaction throughout the conference.

Therefore,
Be it resolved, The SGC-UP will appropriate a \$450 to TIES Web to go towards publications to assist the in cost of providing the needed materials for FIU student participants.

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	OPPOSED:	A 06-38	
	ABSTAINED:		



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APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes were approved as corrected.

FINANCE REPORT

- Zachary Trautenberg informed the council that they would gather and count surveys for New York Times to continue to at the Biscayne Bay Campus free to the students.
- Zachary Trautenberg reported to the council that an Appropriations bill was pass for the food that was available for this meeting.
- Zachary Trautenberg informed the council that there would be a finance committee tomorrow at 10:00 am with Professor Church of the Theatre Department, for those that are interested in attending.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Vice-President Brent Maximin:
 - Received an email from Sarah David, Campus Life Manager saying that events on school grounds cannot serve drinks other than Coca-Cola, FIU is a Coca-Cola sponsored university.
 - Mural Design contest, a contest that will have artist submit designs for a mural to be displayed on the wall of Academic One entering Wolfe University Center
 - A Reminder for those signed up to assist with the Special Olympics track meet, will be held Sunday, February 26, 2006 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- President Lemar Linton informed the council of the International Student's Insurance policy needs to be renewed; however, the insurance policy premium will increase, and there is a proposal to have the International Students Insurance mandatory to decrease the cost of the premium. More students allow the premium to stay at a reasonable price, the fewer students causes the premium to rise. International Students pay high tuition that can estimate to nearly \$6,000 and the current rate for the Insurance premium is 1,500. There will be a meeting March 15 at the University Park Campus at 7:00 pm, those that are interested in lobbying for the reduction of the insurance premium for International Students can come to the meeting and voice their opinions.
- President Linton was contacted by Mrs. Nizbette who informed him of an opportunity for helping at an after school care program, the position title is Teacher Assistant. The workweek will consist of 12-20 hours a week, with a



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pay of 10 dollars an hour. Those that are interested may see Lemar Linton for more information.

- The SGA Retreat will be held on February 25th, 2006 at Dave & Busters from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. Those that will not attend will face the consequences of those actions, unless previously excused for that day.
- President Linton yielded the floor to the director of the Florida Blood Donors, who gave a presentation on the need for giving blood, and getting others involved to give blood. They will have another blood drive at the FIU-Biscayne Bay Campus, March 6 and 9th.
- President Linton informed the committees that have not yet turned in there committee report, a memo of stop pay will be forwarded to Arminda, Campus Life Accountant.

NEW BUSINESS

- Appointments/Election:
 - The housing representative was not available for the meeting; President Linton informed the council previously that appointments for any open positions would be closed as of today.
 - President Linton welcome back Edgard Izaguirre to the council as the appointed Elections Commissioner
 - Gabriel Labrador has been appointed to the position Director of Public Relations and Technology.

OLD BUSINESS

- International Students Insurance

OPEN DISCUSSION/COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Camilo Silva thanked those that assisted with the Rep Day
- Lemar Linton congratulated the Reps for the successful contributions for Rep Day.
- Rachel Caines informed the council that they need to turn their Panther I.D's for summer priority registration.

ADJOURNMENT

President Linton adjourned the meting at 4:31 pm.