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# AGENDA

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

- A) Approval of Judicial Board

**XIV. NEW BUSINESS**

- A) Special Elections
  - 1. Graduate Representative
  - 2. Honors College Representative

**XV. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A) Mandatory FIU Day training – February 17 and 24 from 1:00-3:00 in GC 150.
- B) SGA Retreat is February 18 from 11-5pm. Please carpool to the Hard Rock.
- C) David from the Washington Internship Program will be on campus today at 4pm in GC 241A to discuss internship opportunities in Washington.
- D) Scholarship applications went out on February 13<sup>th</sup> and are due back March 17<sup>th</sup>. The notification will be on April 17<sup>th</sup>.
- E) Newly Elected Representatives please go to the SGA office to see Phillip to fill out paper work.
- F) Please support the Peer Advisors bake sale in GC tomorrow.
- G) Health and Wellness surveys are out. Please help pass them out.

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**



# COUNCIL MINUTES

February 15, 2006

Prado called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM.

## **Roll Call**

### **Governing Council**

Tony Delgado (AB)  
Carlos Velazco (EX)  
Bill Buchanan  
Alfonso "Alfie" Leon  
Hilda Rose Benard  
Angelina Troff

Mari Cabrera  
Marbely Hernández  
AJ Meyer  
Darius' Ahrabi-Asly (LT)

### **Standing Committee Chairpersons**

Kenny Gelok (LT)  
Kenny Alce (AB)  
Nancy Cadavid  
Providence E. Okoye (LT)  
Raynard Morgan  
Aviva Rose-Avila (LT)  
Morgan Darity (AB)  
PJ Rivera

### **Standing Council Chairpersons**

Panther Rage- Carlton NG (LT)  
SPC- Bill Buchanan  
Homecoming- Brian Swensen (AB)

### **Governing Council Chairpersons**

Honors Council- Dianne Cordova (AB)  
GSA- Travis Gabriel (AB)  
RHA- Natalie Jaramillo  
SOC- Larissa Lockett (AB)

### **Advisor**

Charlie Andrews

Minutes were passed.

### **Reports of Executive Board**

President

Alex Prado

Prado welcomes everyone to the Council meeting today. We have elections for the Graduate and Honors Representatives as well as the approval of the Judicial board. Prado wasn't here because he was at the BOT academic and policy meeting. They discussed the online task force and went over the fees and found out that \$100 goes to faculty overload fee, \$125 goes to the server and \$75 goes to administration. This is all because they are not on ENG funds. FSA was very interesting. There will be an emergency FSA meeting before Council at 3:30. We are on board with UCF. This is the voice for the over all students of the state. Prado believe this will come out in our favor. If you would like to know more about the technology fee in the legislature, please contact Prado. Prado has a meeting with Joe Velazco. He is the athletics booster director. They both want to work on increasing the marketing and branding. They are also looking to get free tickets for the UM Football game. They will also go over the arena fees for events such as the MTV concert and DM. So that it doesn't cost money to put have the events in the arena. If you plan to go to FIU Day on March 8<sup>th</sup> you will have to attend the mandatory meetings this Friday and next Friday from 1-3. If you don't attend you will not be able to go. Next Wednesday at 3:30 everyone needs to be here for a hearing that is extremely important. We will have council as soon as its over. They will be talking about the health fee and why its getting increased and we need to put our input and try to get more out of it if they are increasing it. Thursday following there will be a vote.

Vice President

Christine Denton

Tourch awards are this Saturday. It gives you a great sense of pride to see the Alumni, says Denton. Denton wanted to congratulate Phillip for his article in the Beacon talking about how good of a job he does in SGA. Please carpool to the retreat. Its from 11-5 at the Hard Rock. The newly elected individuals please come see Denton after the Council meeting. Tomorrow Dr. Bonanos go away party is in the GC ballrooms at 3pm.

Comptroller

Nancy Cadavid

FSA was good. They discussed different Health fee coverage's in other universities. UP hearing is in GC 1235 from 9:30 -- 5:30pm. University fee hearing (health fee) in GC 150 at 3:30. Interns and Council need to attend. Survey and flyers need to be done. University Wide Budget Deliberations are next week in BBC at 10:30am. Finance meeting at 6pm in Nancy's office.

Chief of Cabinet

Brittany M. Juliachs

FIU Day is Mandatory for those who want to attend.

Speaker of the House

Alfie Leon

Meeting at 4pm in the SGA conference room on Monday. They need to discuss the Health and Wellness surveyy, as well as, AJ's survey. Health and Wellness survey is very important. Please pass them out and make sure they get returned. They need 2,000 surveys in 6 days.

### **Reports of Standing Committees**

Academic Affairs

Aviva Rose-Avila

Aviva wants to create a scholarship committee. There will be a committee meeting on Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup>.

Campus Life

Morgan Darity

No Report

International Students

Providence E. Okoye

Their meeting today as well attended. The primary focus was insurance. We will be creating a sub committee for insurance; this is an outcome from the meeting they had on Friday with the insurance and the consultant. He says the solution to the problem they have is to make one insurance mandatory for all international students. If anyone would like to be apart of that please let Providence know. The next international student Ambassador training will be on Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 6pm in PC 140. The next committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 2pm in the SGA conference room.

#### Student Services

Kenny Gelok

Enrollment services committee meeting is rescheduled and will be next week. Panther Card expansion is continuing to get looked into. Kenny is talking to someone who does the finances in these kinds of things and they are looking for other solutions. Kenny sat in an audio conference about the facebook and myspace, they talked about how employers are looking at peoples profiles to see how they really are outside of the job. There will be a bus survey coming out so please look out for that one. Monday after house is a committee meeting.

#### Student Union

Ray Morgan

-I am pleased to announce that the third floor passed the fire Marshall's safety check.

Therefore the offices that are in the games will be moving out soon, the first two are scheduled to move Feb 27 -28 and the remaining two departments will moving by March 8<sup>th</sup>. The game room renovations will begin shortly after. The SUB committee has come with some great ideas for the game room and we will be putting out a survey soon to expanded and help finalize the plans for the room. Attend the SUB meeting or speak to me at your convenience to finds out more about our plans.

-Construction is currently underway to move subway to the Atrium. This will be the first move and it is expected to be finished by the end of March

#### Reports of Boards

Elections Board

Kenny Alce

No Report

#### Judicial Board

PJ Rivera

The J-Board is moving along very well. They began a formal judicial review process starting next week. Each Judicial (Board Member) will be reviewing all SGC-UP documents over the next week. Rivera asked them to analyze the Constitution and By-laws, looking for conflicting language and/or points as well as reviewing the overall documents in terms of fluidity and consistency before they begin next week. The committee has been fully trained (the five appointed members) and their meetings will take place each Wednesday at 5:30. Secondly, they are developing three template letters to voice council concerns and complaints (ie. Malfeasance, misfeasance, and nonfeasance). Additionally, after an informal review last week to ensure all passed bills have been added to the SGC-UP bylaws and the SGA Constitution, they have discovered that one of the most vital bills (HB 353 Compliance...passed in Clayton's year) has never been formally added to our Constitution. Rivera will be working with Phillip and Katie to ensure it is properly added. Moreover, the committee will develop a "Judicial Review" briefing and interpreting the changes this document implements. Furthermore, as they conduct the overall judicial review over the upcoming weeks, the Board's goal will be to release a periodic "Judicial Review" statement interpreting unclear areas of SGA's Constitution and By-laws, while also possible adding recommendations for the Representatives to consider for developing bills.

#### Reports of Standing Council

Panther Rage

Carlton NG

Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> they had their retreat and they started to review the constitution. Carlton wanted to congratulate the men's basketball team with their win. Also he wanted to congratulate AJ for winning \$197 in the \$1,000 scramble during halftime. Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> is the womens basketball VS. South Alabama. \$1,000 prize for group attendance. Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup>, Men's basketball VS> Troy. Monday 20<sup>th</sup> general meeting at 4pm in GC 140 as well as the mens basketball game VS. South Alabama at 7pm. Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> is Karaoke night in Gracie's Grill from 7-10pm Co-sponsored by SPC. Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> is "The Rage of the Bull". Bull-riding competition in the pit from 12pm-2pm. Thursday is a pap-rally in the pit from 12-2. Also the women's basketball team will be playing Western Kentucky at 7pm. Friday 24<sup>th</sup> is a softball game VS. Memphis at 4pm. Saturday is a tailgate at 3pm and the game against Notre Dame.

SPC

Bill Buchanan

Bill will be the president for the rest of the year. MTV campus invasion is coming to our campus on April 11. They really need support for this event so please help out. American Heritage is March 13. That Thursday there will be a comedy show. The films in GC 140 are going on so please check them out.

