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
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

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XVI. ADJOURNMENT
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 surver 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 8th 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
Torch 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 survey, as well as, Al’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 18th.

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 20th from 6pm in PC 140. The next committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 1st 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 soon, the first two are scheduled to move Feb 27-28 and the remaining two departments will moving by March 8th. 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.Mockito 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 11th 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 16th is the women’s basketball VS. South Alabama. $1,000 prize for group attendance. Saturday the 18th, Men’s basketball VS. Troy. Monday 20th general meeting at 4pm in GC 140 as well as the mens basketball game VS. South Alabama at 7pm. Tuesday 21st is Karaoke night in Gracie’s Grill from 7-10pm Co-sponsored by SPC. Wednesday 22nd 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 24th 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.
Karaoke will be once a month. If you have any questions or concerns, please come to the office or go on the website.

Homecoming
No Report

Reports of Governing Council
Honors Council
No Report

GSA
No Report

RHA
Natalie Jaramillo
For Valentines day, council sang and gave out crush grams around to different rooms. All the donations went to the halls for different games. There will be a budget hearing at 9:30am. L-Board meeting is this Friday at 2pm in the Panther Hall conference room. Their general meeting is on Wednesday at 9pm.

SOC
Larissa Locket
No Report

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