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I. WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

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 - Vacant

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
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XVI. ADJOURNMENT
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Prado called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM.

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Carlos Velazco
Chereen de Boehmner
Bill Buchanan
Alfonso "Alfie" Leon (EX)
Mari Cabrera
Hilda Rose Benard
Angelina Troff

Marbely Hernández
AJ Meyer (AB)
Cesar Quinzada
Nidia Cruz
Kimberly Castilllo (LT)
Darius Ahrabi-Asly (AB)

Standing Committee Chairpersons
Kenny Gelok
Kenny Alce
Nancy Cadavid (LT)
Providence E. Okoye
Raynard Morgan (EX)
Aviva Rose-Avila
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Travis Gabriel

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Designation of House Meeting Time

An act in relation to a designated day and time for House meetings.

Be it enacted by the Student Government Association of Florida International University at the University Park Campus

Section 1: Under Article IV, Section C of the SGC-UP By Laws, there is no designated time or day for House meetings to take place. Unfortunately, this makes it difficult to coordinate a meeting day and time once all House representatives have been elected. In order to remedy this situation, it is proposed that representatives elected to office must designate Mondays from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm for House meetings.

Section 2: The SGC-UP By Laws will be amended as follows: Article IV, Section C will now read:

C. **Meetings** The House shall assemble no less than once a month to perform aforementioned duties. House meetings shall be designated in accordance with the following specifications:

1. For the purpose of regular meetings, the House will meet on Mondays at 4:00 PM in the SGA Conference Room. Representative’s schedules must be made around this time. Meetings will last a maximum of two (2) hours.
   a. The House shall assemble no less than bi-weekly during active legislative sessions of the SGC-UP.
   b. The House shall assemble no less than once a month during inactive sessions of the SGC-UP.

3. House meetings shall occur at the time/date/location designated by the Speaker of the House who shall take into consideration all representatives’ schedules and designate a time suitable to the majority of the House.

2. For the purpose of scheduling committee meetings, official academic school schedules will be taken into consideration. These must be submitted to the Chief of Staff no later
than two (2) weeks prior to the beginning of the semester to allow for adequate planning time.

4.3. The Speaker of the House may at his/her discretion call additional meetings as necessary.

Section 3: These changes to the By Laws will become effective in the Spring 2006 semester, pending the ratification by the student body at the next University Election at University Park.
In Support of the FIU Jazz Festival

Carlos Velazco, College of Business Representative,
Christine Denton, Vice President

Finance Committee

November 9, 2005

Whereas,
The Student Government Council at University Park believes in encouraging community involvement through its support of cultural events such as the FIU School of Music’s Jazz Festival,

Whereas,
The FIU School of Music will be hosting its second annual South Florida Jazz Festival on January 12-14th, inviting over 200 of Florida’s finest High School Jazz Bands for a competition,

Whereas,
The School of Music will be inviting world class jazz musicians, and provide FIU students the opportunity to attend free artist master-classes and clinics,

Whereas,
This event will benefit the University through its media coverage through CBS 4, NBC 6, FOX/WSVN 7 and ABC/WPLG 10 along with inviting world class jazz musicians to serve as clinicians and adjudicators for the event,

Therefore,

Be it resolved,
The SGC-UP will appropriate an amount of $500 to the FIU School of Music to host its second annual South Florida Jazz Fest, in hopes to keep the FIU School of Music as a competitor with other in-state University jazz programs.

PASS
IN FAVOR OF: DATE: 11-09-05
FAIL
OPPOSED: A 05-24
ABSTAINED: Alex Prado, President SGA

Department of Campus Life • Division of Student Affairs
Agenda Item:
FIU Hurricane Katrina Relief Student Trip

Sponsors:
Mari Lourdes Cabrera, Representative-At-Large,
Christine Denton, Vice President

Committee:
Finance Committee

Date:
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FIU Hurricane Katrina Relief Student Trip

Whereas, The mission of the Student Government Council-University Park states that it shall “provide and improve the overall student experience,” “serve as an advocate for the interests of students,” “foster student life and encourage community involvement,” as well as “act as a liaison between the student body and external communities,”

Whereas, The South Florida community is familiar with the devastating affects a hurricane can have on a community; this trip will serve as an opportunity for FIU students to provide much needed assistance to neighboring states, who themselves experienced the severe affects of Hurricane Katrina this past August

Whereas, FIU prides itself on being an institution that serves the outside community through volunteer efforts, as seen by the University’s recent efforts to collect goods and raise money for the victims of Hurricane Katrina; this effort will serve as an opportunity for FIU to be recognized nationally and locally as actively promoting volunteerism and civic duty.

Whereas, The Center for Leadership and Service in conjunction with the National Relief Network (NRN), organization committed to bringing large numbers of volunteers to state and federally declared disaster areas in hopes to rebuild lives, will be sending 50 FIU student volunteers to Biloxi, Mississippi in hopes of rebuilding this disaster area,

Whereas, The NRN requires a volunteer donation per individual in order to cover the costs of accommodations, transportation, meals, and a relief team t-shirt;

Therefore,

PASS IN FAVOR OF: 11-05-05
FAIL
OPPOSED: A05-25
ABSTAINED: Alex Prado, President SGA

Department of Campus Life • Division of Student Affairs
Be it resolved, The SGC-UP will appropriate an amount of $1,500 to cover the cost of safe and sanitary housing for the volunteers during their stay in Biloxi, Mississippi.