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November 30, 2005

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 - 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

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None

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