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# Florida International University

Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center

## MINUTES

SGA General Meeting  
01/30/2008

### In Attendance

*Ms. Katiana Saintable, President*  
*Ms. Cassandra Andrade, Vice President*  
*Mr. Jonathan Doozan, Comptroller*  
*Ms. Kenasha Paul, Director of Legislative Affairs*  
*Ms. Mnar Muhareb, Clerk Of Council*  
*Ms. Yvette Casseide, Rep. At Large*  
*Ms. Evonnia Dominguez, SJMC Rep.*  
*Ms Judene Tulloch, Rep. At Large*  
*Ms. Rashida Cohen, Housing Rep*  
*Mr. G.C Murray, Honors College Rep.*  
*Mr. Shane Gray, Student Union Board Chair*  
*Mr. David Fonseca, Environmental Affairs Director*

*Mr. Craig Cunningham, Advisor*

### Absent

*Ms. Magalie Sintus, Executive Assistant (Leave of Absence)*  
*Ms. Daniela Ottati, Public Relations Director (excused)*  
*Ms. Leslie Valentin, Speaker of the House (excused)*  
*Ms. Summia Chaudry, Broward Pines Rep. (excused)*  
*Mr. Fabrice Octave, Student Services (excused)*  
*Ms. Ana Maria Silva, Internship Director (excused)*  
*Ms. Stephanie Jacques, Chief of Staff (excused)*

### Guests

*Simone Worsdale*  
*Melissa douge*  
*Earl a. Brundage*  
*Zakia Rauf*  
*Joe lopes*

### Call to Order

The Biscayne Bay Campus' Student Government Association held a General Meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 2008 in WUC room 155. The meeting was called to order at 3:38 PM by President Katiana Saintable, who presided over the meeting.

### Minutes Approval

The minutes of the last meeting that took place on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January 2008 were reviewed and approved as corrected.

**Guest Report**.....Bronwen Bares

- a.) Leadership Services and the Women’s Center will be having a variety of events this semester, one of which is the Leadership Summit this Saturday.
- b.) They are working with Royal Caribbean Cruise line to help with the rebuilding of over town.

**President’s Report**.....*Katiana Saintable*

- a.) Ms. Saintable announced that the Leadership Summit this Saturday is mandatory and to wear our SGA Polos or name tags.
- b.) Ms. Saintable also announced that BBC will be hosting an important Forum about Iran on the 4<sup>th</sup> of February with special guests from France, Germany and Israel.
- c.) Lastly Ms. Saintable reported that the medical school students will be working with nursing students, the school of Social work and Public affairs.

**Vice President’s Report**.....*Cassandra Andrade*

- a.) Ms. Andrade began her report by stating that while Rock the Vote had a good turnout there were not enough volunteers and since that there are only 9 weeks left in the semester that we as SGA must commit to our fellow member’s events.
- b.) Ms. Andrade continued her report by saying that Career Services was changing and that SGA should support it and work with them.
- c.) Ms. Andrade announced that FIU Day is March 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> and USSA Legislative Conference is March 15-18<sup>th</sup> in D.C and anyone wishing to attend must write an essay on why they should go.

**Advisor’s Report**.....*Craig Cunningham*

- a.) Mr. Cunningham is going to U.P. to meet with Jose to confirm the election policy and dates and University Wide Issues.
- b.) Mr. Cunningham wanted to thank everyone for their commitment to SGA and to reassure them that everyone’s position and effort matters.

**Comptroller’s Report**.....*Jonathan Doozan*

- a.) The Finance committee approved three new Appropriations: New computers for the SGC Representatives’ Room, food for an event by the Black Student Association, and marketing materials for an event by the On Point Poetry club.

**House Reports**.....*Judene Tulloch*

- a.) Ms. Tulloch announced that she will be emailing the Reps and they will elect new members next week.

Director of Legislation and Panther Power.....*Kenasha Paul*

- a.) Ms. Paul announced her disappointment in the amount of Volunteers for Rock the Vote and that USSA should be promoted better.
- b.) there will be a USSA conference call and anyone wishing to be in on it should notify either Ms. Paul or Ms. Saintable.

**New Appointments**..... Special Events Director

Ms. Melissa Douge was appointed to the council on the 30<sup>th</sup> of January as the New Special Events Director. She announced that she wishes to impact the student body and the school itself. She feels that she would do well in her new position because of what she has learned a lot about the Position from her mentor, the former Special events director.

### Announcements

- Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> – Iran Forum
- Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> - BBC open House 8am -1 pm
- Feb 18<sup>th</sup> – SJMC 1<sup>st</sup> student short film festival 2-5pm.
- Feb.20<sup>th</sup> – SGA at Pines at 5 p.m.
- Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> – SGA Got Questions? At 11am-2 pm in Panther Square
- Feb. 21-24- South Beach Wine and Food Festival
- March 10-11<sup>th</sup> – FIU Day
- Open positions in SGA announce to peers
- Ingrid is going next Friday to visit Representative Anitere Flores to discuss state tuition for immigrant students and is working on a club called SWER ( Students Working For Equal Rights)

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 P.M