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Florida International University

Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center

MINUTES

SGA General Meeting 10/24/2007

In Attendance

- Ms. Katiana S. Saintable, President
- Ms. Cassandra Andrade, Vice President
- Mr. Jonathan Doozan, Comptroller
- Ms. Stephanie Jacques, Chief of Staff (left @ 4:19pm)
- Ms. Magalie Sintus, Executive Assistant
- Mr. David S. Fonseca, Community Relations & Environmental/ Affairs Director (left @ 4:45 pm.)
- Ms. Angela Thomas, Special Events Director
- Mr. Gabriel Labrador, Elections Commissioner
- Ms. Kenasha Paul, Panther Power Director/ Director of Legislative
- Ms. Leslie Valentin, Hospitality Management Representative/ Speaker of the house
- Ms. Judene Tulloch, Rep at Large
- Ms. Rashida Cohen, Housing Representative
- Mr. Fabrice Octave, Student Services Chair
- Ms. Mnar Muhareb, Clerk of Council/ Intern
- Ms. Alina Devitchinskaya, Rep at large
- Ms. Evonnia Dominguez, SJMC Rep.
- Ms. Summia Chaudry, Broward Pines Rep.

Mr. Craig Cunningham, SGA Advisor

Absent

Ms. Ana Maria Silva, Internship Director

Ms. Yvette Casside, Representative at Large (excused)

Ms. Krysta Omeir, Lower Division rep

Ms. Daniela Ottai, Public Relations Dir. (Excused)

Mr. Miguel Alvarado, Academics Affairs Chair (excused)

Mr. Shane L. gray, Student Union (excused)

Guests

Ingrid Guerra, Intern for Comm. Relations/ Environmental Affairs

Stefan Lai, DLA

Michelle Souza, Intern

Alejandra Salgado, Intern (left @4:44 pm)

Laura Torres, Intern

Call to Order

The Biscayne Bay Campus's Student Government Association held a General Meeting on the 24th of October 2007 in WUC room 155. The meeting was called to order at about 3:49 P.M., By President Katiana Saintable, who presided over the meeting.

Minutes Approval

The minutes of the last meeting that took place on the 17th of October 2007 were reviewed and approved as corrected.

<u>President's Report</u>
a. Ms. Saintable welcomed the new Reps and told them that of their 5 office hours 2 can be out of office and 1 has to be with constituents. They must also submit Bi-weekly reports to keep everyone updated and submit their goals to Ms. Valentin, Ms. Andrade, and Ms. Saintable.
b. Ms. Saintable also mentioned wall plaques with pictures of the current President and Vice President. She also went on to say tat there will be a meeting with Dr. Akins tomorrow and another meeting with Dr. Jones and Dr. Hernandez within two weeks.
<u>Vice President's Report</u> Ms. Cassandra Andrade
a. Ms. Andrade wished everyone a happy U.N Day and to mention Housing's Fright Night Costume party that requires a ticket to enter. She has the tickets available for anyone wishing to attend.
b. Ms. Andrade also spoke about the Tri Counsel being a cohesive group and that Jason the New bay vista is inviting U.P over on Saturday. She also mentioned making sure that all groups have the same plaques when it comes to awards. The first tri council event will be the day at the bay on Nov. 3 rd from 9am-3pm. If all goes well there might be sculptors donated.
c. Ms. Andrade also mentioned that Jonathan has presented the parking passes to Felia Francis.
Advisors Report
a. Mr. Cunningham said that the retreat went well and helped with team building and getting to know each other despite last minute cancellations from 5 interns. The Etiquette dinner is tonight and the dress code requirement has been waved.
b. Mr. Cunningham also mentioned the info session from MDC Human Resources from 10am-12pm in WUC 157. The space in the wolf center (recreation center) would add a lot to campus life, the wellness center and SGA occupying it.
c. Mr. Cunningham lastly mentioned Diversity day saying that it had a good turn out and went very well.
Report. Leslie Valentin
a. Ms. Valentin thanked the interns for their help with Rep. Day and announced that there would be a Rep Meeting after this meeting. She also announced a competition between Arts& sciences, Hospitality and mass communications for the can drive in November and Toy Drive in December. The winner would be announced by a local radio station.
Report
a. Ms. Paul spoke about the Panther Power Kick-off and talked about the events going on November 13 th -17 th because it is spirit/ homecoming week.

Mr. Gabriel Labrador announced that the DREAM ACT didn't cloture.

Meeting was adjourned @ 5:08 pm.