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# **Florida International University**

Student Government Council - Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center

### MINUTES

SGA General Meeting 11/07/2007

#### In Attendance

- Ms. Cassandra Andrade, Vice President
- Mr. Jonathan Doozan, Comptroller
- Ms. Stephanie Jacques, Chief of staff
- Ms. Ana Maria Silva, Internship Director
- Mr. David S. Fonseca, Community Relations & Environmental/ Affairs Director (late 3:39)
- Ms. Angela Thomas, Special Events Director (left early @ 4:30)
- Ms. Daniela Ottati, Public Relations Director
- Ms. Kenasha Paul, Panther Power Director/ Director of Legislative Affairs (late @ 3:38)
- Ms. Mnar Muhareb, Clerk of Council
- Ms. Yvette Casseide, Representative At Large
- Ms. Evonnia Dominguez, SJMC Rep
- Ms. Judene Tulloch, Representative At Large
- Ms. Rashida Cohen, Housing Representative
- Ms. Summia Chaudry, Broward Pines Rep
- Ms. Alina Devitchinskaya, Rep at Large
- Mr. Fabrice Octave, Student Services (late @ 3:47)

#### Absent

- Ms. Katiana S. Saintable, President (excused)
- Ms. Ana Maria Silva, Internship Director
- Ms. Leslie Valentin, Hospitality Management Representative/ Speaker of the house (excused)
- Ms. Magalie Sintus, Executive Assistant (excused)
- Mr. Shane L. Gray, Student Union Board Chair (excused)
- Mr. Miguel Alvarado, Academics Affairs Chair
- Ms. Krysta Omeir, Lower division Rep.

Mr. Craig Cunningham, SGA Advisor

#### Guests

Laura Torres, Intern Michelle Souza, Intern Nicky Fuller, Intern Christian Wehner, intern Melissa Douge, intern Carrice Brown, Intern Debbie Brown, Intern G.C. Murray, new honors college rep Catherine Kaiman, The Beacon/ Journalism student

#### Call to Order

The Biscayne Bay Campus's Student Government Association held a General Meeting on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2007 in WUC room 155. The meeting was called to order at about 3:35 P.M., By Vice President Cassandra Andrade, who presided over the meeting.

#### Minutes Approval

The minutes of the last meeting that took place on the 31st of October 2007 were reviewed and approved as corrected.

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a. Ms. Andrade started off the meeting saying that Katiana was at the University Park campus and would be updating us on what is going on there during our next meeting.

b. The Day at the Bay meeting went well and the new Director of it is Ms. Stephanie Jacques and the new Assistant Director is Alejandra Salgado. Then Ms. Andrade asked Ms. Muhareb to talk about her Day at the Bay experience. Ms. Muhareb said she had someone coming in Thursday afternoon about an extended recycling project. Ms. Andrade then asked Ms. Jacques to read an email from a student who was touched by the Day at the Bay project.

c. Ms. Andrade mentioned Ms. Owles's Video conference with students from the Ukraine on Friday November 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am

d. Ms. Valentin has taken a leave of absence and Ms. Tulloch is to take her place until her return. The Toy & Can Drive is still going on and SGA members should support it.

Comptroller Report ..... Jonathan Doozan

a. Mr. Doozan began by mentioning a meeting last Friday about the concerns and frustrations of the info desk such as last minute changes to flyers and events, which are difficult because of their policies. They would like to setup a meeting with SGA to discuss this.

b. File for funds need be turned in earlier, at least a week before the planned event, because when turned in late the controllers office reprimands them.

c. The requests for FSA must be turned in by Friday.

Chief of Staff Report...... Stephanie Jacques

a. Ms. Jacques just wanted to thank all who attended the Day at the Bay and those who helped out.

b.) A house meeting was announced for Wednesday November 14<sup>th</sup> after the general meeting.

a. Mr. Octave began his report mentioning a meeting with Martha on Friday to discuss the cafeteria dollar menu.

b. He also said that Mr. Gray was working on gaming devices for the second floor, Ms. Tulloch was working on C- store surveys and Sarah is working on a health fair. Ms. Ottati talked to Mr. Foster from Parking and traffic about the busses leaving to soon. Ms. Valentin is collecting surveys for the text messages. c. Erica from the book store would like us to know that we can return books at the end of the semester

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a. Ms. Thomas reported that the 5<sup>th</sup> of December was the last date for the time capsule because of Dr. Akins and vice probos's difficult schedules.

a. Ms. Paul Reported on the Homecoming events such as the Panther Power Party tomorrow, the step show on Friday and movie night on Tuesday.

b. Ms. Paul also talked about the E.A.T this Saturday which is MANDATORY for all cabinet members. It is in the wuc ballrooms from 9:00am -5:00pm.

Pembroke Pines Rep. Report...... Summia Chaudry

a. Ms. Chaudry reported on events that happened or will happen on the Pembroke pines campus such as the Halloween candy give away ,that went very well, an art reception last Friday, and on the 17<sup>th</sup> of November the Grad sendoff. They will also be having Stress Relief week from Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>- Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> which they will have giveaways and free massages and breakfasts.

New Appointment......G.C Murray

a. He is the new honors college rep that will help us connect with their campus and vice versa.

b. The honors college is working on the reestablishment of their Greek life and is working with the Over Town youth center. They are more prevalent on south campus.

Up coming events

November→ 9<sup>th</sup>- SPC Poetry Gala Red/Black Ball 14<sup>th</sup> – ISIC 16<sup>th</sup> - Video Conference 28<sup>th</sup> SGA at pines center 30<sup>th</sup>- Student/ Department Planning Meeting (11:30am- 1:00pm in Wuc 155.)

Adjournment

The meeting ended at 4: 39 pm.