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Florida International University

Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center

<u>MINUTES</u> SGC-BBC General Meeting August 24, 2011

IN ATTENDANCE

Denise Halpin, President Emilio Collyer, Vice President Kevin Gonzalez, Comptroller, 3:39pm Suyen Fernandez, Chief of Staff Julie Goncalves, Intern Coordinator, 3:39pm Simbisai Anglene Mubau, Academic Affairs Coordinator, 3:51pm Xinyu "Allen" Tian, International Student Services Coordinator Michael Cabrera, Athletic Campaign Manager, 3:41pm Farah Yamini, Arts & Science Senator, Jorge Nonell Jr., Arts & Science Senator Pablo Haspel, Honors College Senator Alix Sanchez, Hospitality Management Senator Diana Deonanan, Lower Division Senator Grace Ingabire, Lower Division Senator Oluwatamilore Odimayo, Senator At-Large, Oluwatobi Adekoya, Senator At-Large Melissa Khan, Senator At-Large Sagine Delly, Graduate Senator, 3:47pm Afiewa Attawia, Justice **Richard Azimov** Rafael Zapata, Advisor Larissa Adames, SGA Clerk

<u>Absent</u>

Daniel Usma, Arts & Science Senator Emmanuel Okwor, Broward Pines Center Senator Christopher Lawton, Chief Justice Micaela Cohen, Justice Patrick Milord, Justice

GUEST

Fang "Frank" Shu, Graduate Student Adrianna Smith, Student Angiela Lazo, Student

CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on August 24, 2011, WUC 155. The meeting was called to order at **3:36pm**, approximately, by President Halpin who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

Approval of Minutes

Senator Haspel motioned to approve of the August 10th general meeting minutes, Senator Nonell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Halpin began her report by stating that she will have a meeting this Friday, August 26th from 8:45-10:30am regarding the branding perspective of the Wolfe University Center.

Ms. Halpin mentioned that there will be a design charrette, where the architecture students will be coming up with different design ideas to improve the Biscayne Bay Campus on august 30th-31st. President Rosenberg will look at the final designs on September 1st and chose a winner.

Ms. Halpin announced that all the students who attend all six home games, by having their Panther One cards swiped at the gate, will receive a replica championship ring.

Ms. Halpin revealed that are some changes to the cafeteria after speaking with Felecia Townsend. In the meeting she had with Ms. Townsend, she mentioned the food truck idea, longer hours in the cafeteria. The cafeteria will now be opened until 8pm, Mondays- Thursdays'. They are not able to add an addition coffee spot in the Wolfe University Center, but Business Services was able to bring Starbuck Coffee to the cafeteria. Bistro Subs will replace Bleeker Street. Moe's will now serve junior portions of their burritos, which are cheaper to purchase.

Ms. Halpin concluded her report by stating that there is branding project in the works for the academic buildings. The project is estimated to cost \$30,000. She has some of the design ideas in the office, if anyone is interested in seeing them.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Mr. Collyer welcomed everyone back to the fall semester. Yesterday was the Blue and Gold breakfast in which President Rosenberg was in attendance. He spoke to Rosenberg about the branding initiative and Rosenberg is pushing to see BBC in blue and gold.

Mr. Collyer announced that the Trail of the Torch is tomorrow Thursday, August 25th at 7pm. Ms. Halpin and he will be speaking at the event. After the ceremony, Sailesh the Hypnotist will perform.

Mr. Collyer reminded the council that next Wednesday is SGA Day, B.Y.O.B and our Kick-Off and be prepared for a busy day, 12noon-5pm.

Mr. Collyer reiterated to the council the dress code to the council. Please wear business attire when required.

ADVISOR'S REPORT

Mr. Zapata reminded the council that tomorrow is the Freshman Luau. It will be held in Panther Square, starting at 11am. There will be lot of food and entertainment.

Mr. Zapata mentioned that the United Way Kick off date will change. Once they date is finalized, he will let everyone know.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Matilde Gramling, Director of Budget & Personnel, Student Affairs Division

Matilde Gramling, Director of Budget & Personnel of Student Affairs, asked the council to look over President Rosenberg's five year strategy for FIU and come up with any ideas that would help the five year plan. The ideas could be events or projects that might need funding, which could be included in the budget process. Please email her the ideas by September 7th and copy Mr. Zapata to the email.

B. Appointments

Fang "Frank" Shu presented himself to the council as a candidate for the Marketing Coordinator position. He wants SGA to better and has already prepared a marketing plan for us. He intern at the Newport Beachside Resort Hotel and the Kovens Center where he worked on their marketing plans. He is currently a Hospitality Management graduate student

Senator Haspel motioned to appoint Fang "Frank" Shu to the Marketing Coordinator position, Senator Delly seconded. Senator Yamini: Yay, Senator Nonell: Yay, Senator Haspel: Yay, Senator Sanchez: yay, Senator Deonanan: Yay, Senator Ingabire: yay, Senator Odimayo: Yay, Senator Adekoya: Yay, Senator Khan: Yay, Senator Delly: Yay. With a 10-0 vote, Fang "Frank" Shu is our new Marketing Coordinator.

Adrianna Smith presented herself to the council as a candidate for the Press Secretary position. Ms. Smith was involved with SGA last spring semester as the Press Secretary intern and also helped the Special Events Coordinator. She has a vision for SGABBC and wants for BBC students to be more involved in our events. She is a Public Relations major.

Senator Haspel motioned to appoint Adrianna Smith to the Press Secretary position, Senator Delly seconded. Senator Yamini: Yay, Senator Nonell: Yay, Senator Haspel: Yay, Senator Sanchez: yay, Senator Deonanan: Yay, Senator Ingabire: yay, Senator Odimayo: Yay, Senator Adekoya: Yay, Senator Khan: Yay, Senator Delly: Yay. With a 10-0 vote, Adrianna Smith is our new Press Secretary.

Angiela Lazo presented herself to the council as a candidate for the Special Events Coordinator. She is currently a junior in the Hospitality Management program. She has put together events in

the past. She would like to add more events to the ones we currently have. She would also like to integrate Greek Life on BBC.

Senator Yamnini motioned to appoint Angiela Lazo to the Special Events Coordinator position, Senator Haspel seconded. Senator Yamini: Yay, Senator Nonell: Yay, Senator Haspel: Yay, Senator Sanchez: yay, Senator Deonanan: Yay, Senator Ingabire: yay, Senator Odimayo: Yay, Senator Adekoya: Yay, Senator Khan: Yay, Senator Delly: Yay. With a 10-0 vote, Angeila Lazo is our new Special Events Coordinator.

ANOUNCEMENTS

- A. August 25, 2011- Freshman Luau, 11:30am, Panther Square
- B. August 25, 2011- Trail of the Torch, 7pm, MMC Housing Quad
- C. August 26, 2011- Kayak Day, 12-2pm, Rec Center
- D. August 29, 2011, First Senate Meeting, 3:30pm, WUC 223
- E. August 31, 2011- SGA Day/B.Y.O.B, 11am-2pm, Panther Square
- F. August 31, 2011- SGA Kick-Off, 4:30pm, WUC 223
- G. September 1, 2011-North Texas vs. FIU, 7pm, Home Game
- H. September 9, 2011- FIU vs. Louisville, 7pm, Away Game
- I. September 13, 2011- Broward Pines Meet & Greet, 4:30pm-6:30pm
- J. September 17, 2011, UCF vs. FIU, 6pm, Home Game
- K. September 24, 2011, Louisiana vs. FIU, TBA, Home Game
- L. September 25, 2011 Homecoming Concert, 7pm, Football Stadium
- M. September 26, 2011, Pep Rally, 12 noon, Panther Square
- N. September 26, 2011, Panther Prowl Featuring Shawn & Marlon Waynes, 7pm, US Century Bank Arena
- O. September 27, 2011, NPHC Step Show, 7:30pm, US Century Bank Arena
- P. September 28, 2011, SGA Alumni Reception, 6pm-8pm, WUC 223
- Q. September 28, 2011, Variety Show, 8pm, Mary Ann Wolfe Theatre
- R. September 29th, 2011, King & Queen Voting, 10a-6pm MMC & BBC Computer Labs
- S. September 29th, 2011, Homecoming Dance, 8pm, WUC Ballrooms
- T. September 30th, 2011, United Way Kick-Off, 1pm, WUC Ballroom
- U. September 30th, 2011, Lip-sync/ Talent Show, 8pm, TBA
- V. October 1st, 2011, Homecoming Game Duke vs. FIU, 7pm, Home Game
- W. October 5, 2011, General Meeting at Pines Center
- X. October 20, 2011, Diversity Day, 9am-4pm, TBA
- Y. November 18th, 2011, All Nighter for the Poor, TBA

The meeting was dismissed by President Halpin at 4:47pm.