Florida International University

MINUTES
SGC-BBC General Meeting
September 28, 2011

IN ATTENDANCE
Denise Halpin, President,
Emilio Collyer, Vice President
Kevin Gonzalez, Comptroller,
Suyen Fernandez, Chief of Staff
Angiela Lazo, Special Events Coordinator,
Julie Goncalves, Intern Coordinator
Simbisai Anglene Mubau, Academic Affairs Coordinator
Xinyu “Allen” Tian, International Student Services Coordinator
Fang “Frank” Shu, Marketing Coordinator
Michael Cabrera, Athletic Campaign Manager
Pablo Haspel, Speaker of the Senate/Honors College Senator
Farah Yamini, Arts & Science Senator
Jorge Nonell Jr., Arts & Science Senator
Alix Sanchez, Hospitality Management Senator
Diana Deonanan, Lower Division Senator
Oluwatamilore Odimayo, Senator At-Large,
Oluwatobi Adekoya, Senator At-Large
Sagine Delly, Graduate Senator
Afiewa Attawia, Justice
Richard Azimov, Justice
Rafael Zapata, Advisor
Larissa Adames, SGA Clerk

Absent
Adrianna Smith, Press Secretary
Daniel Usma, Speaker Pro-Tempe/Arts & Science Senator
Patrick Milord, Justice
Micaela Cohen, Justice

GUEST
Bradley Lwiye, BSU BBC Governor
Catherine Vega, SPC President
Kaytien Franco, Student Alumni Association
Weiyi Wang, Student
CALL TO ORDER
The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on September 28, 2011, WUC 155. The meeting was called to order at 3:32pm, approximately, by President Halpin who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

Speaker Haspel motioned to approve the last two week’s minutes, Senator Sanchez seconded.

Senator Nonell motioned to make some changes in last week’s minutes.

Senator Nonell retracted his motion.

Senator Delly motioned to look over the minutes and make changes, Speaker Haspel seconded. Motion passed with a 7-1-0 vote.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
Ms. Halpin began her report by announcing that we sponsored shuttle buses to the homecoming events at Modesto Maidique Campus and it was appreciated by students.

Ms. Halpin mentioned that she met with the Athletics Department about having a watch party at BBC for the football away games. They also would like to have pep rallies for the swim team, since they have their tournaments at BBC Rec pool.

Ms. Halpin reminded the council that Day on the Bay will be October 29th. The Save the Date flyer will be ready soon, once the flyer is done please distribute it out in your classes. Every council member is expected to attend and help on that day. If you have any questions regarding Day on the Bay, please speak to Ms. Fernandez or Ms. Lazo.

Ms. Halpin concluded her report stating that she hopes to see everyone at tonight’s Alumni event.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT
Mr. Collyer began his report by stating that he along with Panther Power and Student Organization Council president met with Maria, the architect and her bosses regarding the Wolfe University Center. Everyone in the committee is to come up with a list of things they would like to see in the Wolfe Center. The architect will then have a one on one meeting with everyone the committee for about forty-five minutes to an hour to discuss the ideas that they came up with. With the information that the architect collects, they will devise a master plan that not only include the Wolfe University Center but the Biscayne Bay Campus. The goal is to have the master plan ready by January for deliberations.

Mr. Collyer mentioned that they are trying to see if the Vice Provost Office will sponsor a dunk tank the United Way events. He also tried to find referees for the games. He expected everyone’s support during the fundraising events.
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE REPORT
Speaker Haspel reported that the senate passed an appropriation of $1500 to help fund Capsapalooza! 2011. He is just waiting for the signature. There was new resolution done for the soccer field, which is also waiting to be signed.

CHIEF OF STAFF REPORT
Ms. Fernandez announced that Day on the Bay is October 29th. There will be a meeting on Monday regarding the food trucks and Day on the Bay. Once the flyer is finalized, she would like everyone help in passing it out their classes. The Day on the Bay meetings are every Monday at 1:30pm, anyone who interested is welcome to attend. Ms. Fernandez reiterated that Day on the Bay is mandatory for every council member.

NEW BUSINESS
Ms. Halpin mentioned that she attended the 11th Annual United Way Breakfast kick off at the Univeristy of Miami, where Ileana Ros-Lehtinen attended. At the breakfast there was a FIU alumni who spoke on he benefited from the United Way.

A. Appointments
Weiyi Wang presented himself to the council as a candidate for Elections Commissioner. He is a Hospitality Management graduate student. He applied for this positions first to make connections with students and second, he likes challenges.

Speaker Haspel moved to approve Wieyi Wang as elections commissioner, Senator Yamini seconded.

Senator Yamini: yay
Senator Nonell Jr.: yay
Speaker Haspel: yay
Senator Sanchez: yay
Senator Deonanan: yay
Senator Odimayo: yay
Senator Adekoya: yay
Senator Delly: yay

By unanimous vote, Weiyi Wang is the new Elections Commissioner.

B. Black Student Union- Bradley Lwiye, BBC Governor
Mr. Lwiye announced that BSU is working with other councils to have tailgate for the homecoming game. BSU will be sponsor a workshop with Target about their open positions.

Senator Nonell left the meeting at 4:13 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS
A. September 28, 2011, SGA Alumni Reception, 6pm-8pm, WUC 223
B. September 28, 2011, Variety Show, 8pm, Mary Ann Wolfe Theatre
C. September 28th, 2011, United Way Kick-Off, 1pm, WUC Ballroom
D. September 29th, 2011, King & Queen Voting, 10a-6pm MMC & BBC Computer Labs
E. September 29th, 2011, Homecoming Dance, 8pm, WUC Ballrooms
F. September 30th, 2011, Lip-sync/ Talent Show, 8pm, TBA

October

G. October 1st, 2011, Homecoming Game Duke vs. FIU, 7pm, Home Game
H. October 1-3, 2011, Affair of the Arts Week
I. October 3, 2011, SPC Movie Day
J. October 4, 2011, Tuesday Times, “The Value of Liberal Arts Education”, 12:30-1:30pm, WUC 159
K. October 5, 2011, Career Fair “Move Your Career Forward “, 11:00am-3:00 pm, Wolfe University Center Ballrooms
L. October 5, 2011, Roary’s birthday, 12-3pm, 2nd Floor Lounge
M. October 9, 2011, Breast Cancer Walk, TBA
N. October 15, 2011, International Dinner, SPC
O. October 18, 2011, Tuesday Times Roundtable, 12:30-1:30pm. WUC 159
P. October 18, 2011, All Nighter for the Poor

The meeting was dismissed by President Halpin at 4:19pm.