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# Florida International University

*Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center*

**MINUTES**  
**SGC-BBC General Meeting**  
**November 28, 2012**

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Pablo Haspel, President  
Oluwatobi Adekoya, Vice President  
Emilio Collyer, Comptroller, **3:42pm**  
Maria N Reynaga, Chief of Staff  
Cristina Miralles, Press Secretary  
Richard Azimov, Elections Commissioner  
Justin Elliot, Special Events Coordinator  
Giselle Heraux, Intern Coordinator  
Fu Zhou Wu, Director of Lectures  
Ethan Roberts, Director of Environmental Affairs  
Ismail Hassan, Arts & Sciences Senator  
Ami Nakagawa, Business Administration Senator  
Darelyne Joseph, Hospitality Management Senator  
Christopher Morisset, Lower Division Senator  
Magalie Gabriel, Lower Division Senator  
Jazmin Felix, Lower Division Senator  
Oluwatamilore Odimayo, Senator At-Large  
Abel Ramos, Senator At-Large  
Martha Ochoa, Chief Justice  
Micaela Cohen, Justice  
Francheska Periche, Justice  
Jungen Kim, Justice  
Bridget Smith, Clerk of Council  
Rebecca James, Graduate Assistant  
Rafael Zapata, SGA Advisor

**ABSENT**

Daniel Usma, Director of Governmental Relations  
Ye Chen, International Student Service Coordinator  
Yuyang Hou, Marketing Coordinator  
Kerline Honoroe, Arts & Sciences Senator  
Olivia Dehaarte, Arts & Sciences Senator  
Jianyi Wang, Housing Senator

Xue Yan, Hospitality Management Senator  
Kimberly Jurgensen, SJMC Senator  
Sola Adebodun, Senator At-Large  
Mahfoudh Oubadji, Graduate Senator  
Klimenty Ponyatovoky, Court Clerk

### **GUEST**

Pablo Gonzalez, SGA Intern  
Andres Perez, Student  
Tashaun Williams, SPC President

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on November 28th, 2012 in WUC **221**. The meeting was called to order at **3:39pm**, approximately, by President **Haspel** who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Mr. Odimayo moved to approve the minutes from the last general meeting held on October 31st. Mr. Ramos seconded. The motion passed by acclamation.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Haspel mentioned that the paperwork for the statue has been turned in and should probably be given to the company doing the statue, during the winter break.

Mr. Haspel stated that they are in the process of finalizing the speakers for the lecture series in the spring semester. They are now awaiting a reply from Alvaro Uribe's contacts.

Mr. Haspel announced that starting next week; the game room will be open from Monday to Friday only, with a fulltime attendant present. A study will be done to determine the best opening hours.

Mr. Haspel announced that the Master Planning Forum for the University will be held on December 4th. He encouraged everyone to attend.

Mr. Haspel mentioned that he had a meeting with students from housing, in which they voiced their concerns, including safety and transportation issues. He will be meeting with Eric Arneson from student affairs and Jullisa from the Vice Provost in order to discuss these issues.

Mr. Haspel mentioned that there are plans to have another forum about the second access road, sometime in January.

Mr. Haspel announced that the university is having an all you can eat /drink fundraiser at the Kovens Center on Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm – 9:00pm, to help the victims of hurricane Sandy and His House. Tickets cost \$20.00.

Finally, Mr. Haspel mentioned that there was a U-wide meeting on Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>. A compromise was reached on the scholarship bill, which will be presented to the senate in January. He also mentioned that there may be a legal review in regards to a U-wide elections code.

### **Vice President's Report**

Mr. Adekoya mentioned that there will be a meeting with the Vice Provost office concerning the limited variety of classes on the Biscayne Bay Campus. Students with ideas are welcome to stop by Mr. Adekoya's office to have a discussion.

### **Senate Speaker's Report**

Mr. Odimayo announced that the senate passed twelve bills, now awaiting the president's signature. He also mentioned that the senate has surveys out.

### **Justice Report**

Ms. Ochoa mentioned that the scholarship Bill was passed in the U-wide meeting which may go to legal review. An ad hoc committee will be created to legally review the scholarship bill.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Haspel presented the graduating SGA members with their stoles and medallions: Micaela Cohen, Emilio Collier, Maria N. Reynaga, and Oluwatamilore Odimayo.

### **Announcements**

- A. Ms. James needs a volunteer to sell popcorn and sodas for United Way at 5:00pm.
- B. November 29, 2012: All you can eat/drink fundraiser, Kovens Center, 6:00pm
- C. December 4, 2012: Master Planning Forum, BBC, 5:30pm

The meeting was adjourned by President Haspel at **3:51pm**.