Presidential debate begins with candidate walk-out

Rosenberg addresses cuts in video

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The 2011-2012 school year came riddled with financial difficulties that affected every part of the University.

On March 30, President Mark B. Rosenberg sent out an email addressing the budget cuts, and the University’s year-long efforts to seek out solutions for the troubles the institution has been facing.

The basis of the financial shortcomings exist in the $24 million that were cut from the University’s budget by the state legislature.

This has been the largest budget cut to date, but according to Rosenberg, “[the] state legislature has promised us that the funding will be restored to us for next year.”

The University has brought reserves forward to cover for the one-time budget cut. The remainder was made up by raising tuition as is called for by the state legislature.

Among the efforts the University has put into effect, are measures to improve efficiency.

Rosenberg states in the video that we are currently ranked first among all the public universities in the state in terms of energy efficiency.

“We are currently spending about $11 million on utilities on an annual basis, and if we weren’t ranked number one,” he said, “if we were just managing our energy efficiency at an average level we would be spending double that.”

The University has invested in expanding online education to reduce the strain on the facilities as part of this plan.

However optimistic Rosenberg was about the course the University has taken thus far, he did acknowledge in the video that should the legislature not restore funding as promised, the five year World’s Ahead Plan will need to be seriously reconsidered.

Until then, the University will proceed as planned.

The legislature did grant $1 million to the College of Medicine to continue on the process toward full accreditation and enrollment into their first full class for 2012-2013.

The University will also be bringing approximately 110 new faculty.

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Candidates talk issues during senate debate

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Senatorial candidates laid out their platforms and goals during this year’s debate with over 40 supporters and community members in attendance.

With one day before the first day of voting, the April 2 debate at the Modesto Maidique campus featured four out of the seven at-large and two of the eight lower division candidates.

When asked what the University’s most pressing issues were, several candidates focused on expansion and graduation rates.

“We need to try and help students stay on track to graduate,” said Liane Sippin, who is currently a lower division senator. “This past semester, I’ve met with SLS students to make sure that they know who their senators are.”

Steven Gonzalez emphasized the need to expand into the Youth Fair grounds.

“FIU really wants to grow,” said Gonzalez. “If we don’t, we will need to build three more parking garages. Students need to be informed about that.”

Giovanni Castro agreed that University growth is something that students should be aware of.

“FIU really wants to grow,” said Castro. “I don’t know why we’re keeping it a big secret.”

He added that having more students coming to FIU every year would not act in any partisan manner and shall have no affiliation to any party,” Farinas said. “Due to the fact that their recent issue, clearly endorsing Sanjeev Udhnani and Connor Mauster, came out this morning, that makes them biased, putting them in direct violation of the Elections Code.”

Farinas and Patel announced they would hold a separate debate where “students ask the questions,” in the Betty Chapman Plaza, as a large group of their supporters and other students present followed them out.

With a crowd of over 25 students, the tickets answered individual questions and engaged in conversations with the students in non-formal discussions.

“SGA has not been serving their sole purpose, which is to serve the students, and to meet the needs and wants of their constituency,” Farinas said when asked about her platform.

“For that sole reason what I am planning to do is not just about a platform but it’s about a vision, it’s to change what SGA does, and how SGA functions.”

Andrew Wu, running alongside Patel, addressed a question from the crowd regarding tuition increases and spending on environmental initiatives.

“One of the biggest issues that we have had is the tuition hike and I think the green energy fund directly addresses that,” Wu said. “The only way that we are going to be able to save on tuition is to lower our costs and one of our greatest costs is [electricity] and power. By using the green energy fund we not only solve problems we
Two tickets hold separate debate

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have now but problem that can carry on in terms of cost.
Meanwhile, Udinni and Maumter remained for a question and answer session where they answered questions from the moderators with a crowd of about 25 supporters and students.

“This should still be an open forum,” Udinni said, soon after the other candidates left the debate. “Conner and I are no strangers to criticism as you can see from our ‘100 ideas for FIU’ initiative. This is your opportunity to voice your concerns and ask us questions.”

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members and continue on its expansive admissions plan.
Currently, there are several building projects in the works.
The construction site in the north of campus near Parking Garage Five will house graduate science classrooms. Within the next few months, another site will be developed that will be home to the school of Social Work and Public Health as well as the International Hurricane Center.

Additionally, a new residence hall and a Student Support Complex are also on the plans.

Student opinion varies on the subject of the continued expansion of the University.
Christopher Caproni, senior studying psychology, said, “I think it’s kind of tough to understand the massive building projects alongside the budget cuts and ‘crises of poverty’ from the administration.”

“I feel like FIU seems to be overspending, particularly as of late, in a particularly tumultuous economic environment,” he said.

On the other hand, Audrey Sballo, senior studying international relations said, “Well, I approve of what I’ve seen thus far. Expanding FIU has definitely been a plus since it has attracted a lot more students from all over the country.”

However, although Salbo agrees with the plans as she made clear, she also said, “If expanding FIU means increasing tuition, I don’t think they should go ahead with the plan.

“FIU, as we stand today has significant momentum. “I can understand both sides,” O’Keefe said. “[W]e have significant capability to withstand the short-term challenges that are presented by this state’s budgetary appropriation.”

Rosenberg closed in advising of an upcoming town hall meeting which has been scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on May 2, in the MARC Pavilion on the Modesto Madique Campus.

Candidates aim to inform students

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“is money in the pot” so there should be less of a need for another rise in tuition in the future.

“If we show tally that we’re worlds ahead, then we can fight the tuition increases,” said Castro.

When asked about the previous SGA senate’s accomplishments, Boris Aparicio mentioned that there wasn’t anything that stood out for him.

“I’m not going to say that the past SGA did a horrible job, but I haven’t seen any big projects,” he said.

He also found it concerning that students aren’t aware of where their Activity and Service fee go or go what SGA is.

Lower division senator candidates Benjamín Rosá and Nicholas Álvarez were given the last 15 minutes of the debate hour.
Álvarez said that his main platform is about motivation and inspiration.

“I saw many students in my [first year interest group] fail out of college so I want go out and help other students get on track,” Álvarez said.
 Rosa added on the importance of hearing out undergraduate students.

“My main focus is for undergraduates to get their voices out,” Rosa said. “Undergraduates have a lot of power in the future of this University.”

Voting for Student Government at both the MMC and Biscayne Bay campus began yesterday, April 3, and ends today, April 4.

Plans for expansion remain underway
FIU drops first conference series of the season to Troy

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FIU 6, TROY 4

With FIU off to a hot 3-1 in conference play thus far, the Panthers continued their hot streak as they beat Troy 6-4 in game one of their doubleheader on March 31.

Troy was not the only opponent that FIU faced that afternoon; another nature played a critical factor as well. The rain caused the Panthers to wait for over four hours before they stepped on the field to face Troy. The 1 p.m. start time was postponed to 6 p.m.

Once the team hit the field, the Panthers came out swinging. The delay seemed to not play a factor for FIU as they tacked on five runs right out of the gate in the top of the first inning.

The Panthers offensive explosion was ignited first by a Kayla Burt triple that was then followed up by a Beth Peller single and an Ashley McClain walk. With the bases loaded, Megan Horne singled home the final run for the Panthers in their 6-4 win on March 31 against Troy.

The game transcended into a pitcher’s duel after that, as Ziegler limited the Panthers to two hits until his departure in the bottom of the eighth inning. Ziegler, who threw more than 140 pitches in the game, gassed out and the Panthers capitalized when freshman Aramis Garcia blooped a two-run single in the eighth inning to tie the game. ULM broke the tie in the 10th off a Taylor Abdalla home run that silenced the crowd. FIU could not overcome the momentum shift and lost the game.

FIU 8, ULM 6

It was April Fools’ Day, but the starting pitch on either side was not fooling any of the hitters in the game. As opposed to Saturday’s match up, where offense was scarce until the final innings, SEE BASEBALL, PAGE 4
FIU takes home series over ULM

both teams took to the long ball early to score several of the first runs of the morning.

FIU left-hander R.J Fondon (3-3) struggled, allowing four earned runs and three walks in four innings of work.

The Warhawks made Fondon work all start, as they recorded hits in every inning until his departure in the fifth inning.

ULM scored a run in the second inning, followed by a two-run homerun by Abdalla, Saturday’s hero for the Warhawks, to make it 3-0.

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The Panthers were then quickly dismissed in the seventh having FIU split the double header with Troy.

McClain notched a double for the Panthers to extend her hitting streak to nine games, also reaching base on 14 consecutive games, a season-high for the team.

Shane Coleman had a 24-yard touchdown run to lead the offense to a 29-22 win over the defense in the Blue and Gold game on March 30. The defense had three touchdown runs on the night, including a 7-yard one from Jerimiah Harden.
Masturbation nation: how to embrace basic pleasure

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Masturbation, in all its glory, has a variety of methods. It is done by touching, stroking, or massaging the penis or clitoris. Also, some women use sex toys to masturbate. Whichever method you choose remember, we are all human and we have been blessed with sensa
tions that are waiting to be explored. Despite the fact that masturbation is a controver
sial subject, many choose to continue to go to the palm prom. Why wouldn’t they? Besides having an amazing self-stimulation fest, masturbation offers a healthy stimulating bene
dons package. It reduce stress, relieves sexual tension, helps offset depression, and relieves menstrual cramps and muscle tension. People masturbate for various different reasons. Some do it because they are horny, single, or they are stressed out. Whatever your reason may be, masturbation gives you the freedom of a safe sexual alternative for those who wish to avoid preg
nancies and the dangers of sexually transmitted diseases. Doesn’t sound so bad after all right? So whether you’re choking the chicken with a dry hand or slippin’ and grippin’ with lubricant, take the time to experiment and learn what your body’s pleasure points are saying to you.

Night to remember due to good vibes and music

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Starting the set with the song “Summer Days,” the band delivered an upbeat, surf-ef rhythm that didn’t slow down for the rest of the set. The crowd in the front was dancing, climbing on each other’s shoulders and taking off their shirts (or at least one guy did) while everyone else just nodded their heads to the beat and watched Sarah Attius, the lead singer, shake her body while working the keys. It’s surprising how people are here on time. Usually in Miami people are late especially since we are playing at 11:30 p.m., but people came out tonight and that was really awesome,” said Mario Fadrigas, the drummer of Little Beard. The music was solid, no ques
tions that even with their new tempo
mary bass player, the band had the right attitude to make the night one to remember. The only downside was that the vocals could have been louder and clearer, but besides that this band brings us hope that music will never die in Miami.
The Shins’ new record worth the extended wait

Calling James Mercer the lead singer of The Shins is not descriptive enough, nor does it truly state the connection between the two. In essence and execution, Mercer has always been at the helm. Ostensibly, when The Shins went through a clean sweep of their Sub Pop lineup consisting of Dave Hernandez, Martin Crandall and Jesse Sandoval, it seemed that the group would be left dismantled and Mercer would take the solo route.

Since he is the nucleus of The Shins, he could still retain the name and license of the group without fans and critics questioning the legitimacy of a band retaining only one member because he is the only key member.

Five years after the last studio album, Mercer worked with the present-day group of The Shins and came up with “Port of Morrow,” an album with a focus that fits their discography perfectly.

The Shins have established the alternative folk genre since their 2003 album “Chutes Too Narrow.” However, “Port of Morrow” has a more produced, grandiose structure to it as the folk-like elements of past releases are seldom found here. The opening track titled “The Rifle’s Spiral” starts with fuzzy feedback that almost sounds like tuning through an old radio with its dial only to find a musical transmission that sounds like it’s about to beam you up.

Mercer enters in with his clean-cut tenor as the percussion is thumping the song along with synths and the crunch of guitars. Lead single “Simple Song” is a multi-layered track that is lively and joyous with Mercer transitioning naturally from his casual singing to his high-ranged falsetto.

Backed by clangy guitars and poppy piano, Mercer sings “Well this is just a simple song.” The uptempo continues with “Bait And Switch” in its surfer rock, New Wave pop sensibilities that blossoms, but other tracks still shine that don’t have the same pop grandeur.

The closest you get to an acoustic love ballad is in the graceful “September.” Echo-like harmonies reverberate as Mercer reminisces about how he’s “been selfish and full of pride... and it’s that she loves in spite of everything else.”

It’s a mix of myths and his own personal love story that ties together beautifully and Mercer’s romantic prose leaves no one guessing as to how he has found solace in love.

The swaying ruminations are introduced in “For A Fool,” a song with an elegiacal quality that’s sharply executed. The mature execution that is found in “For A Fool” also comes out in “Full of ‘82,” the closest Mercer will get to sounding Beatlesque while being contemporary. “40 Mark Strasse” avoids the trappings of soft rock musings with a steady acoustic groove and a soaring chorus.

The closer, “Port of Morrow,” has a jazzy, ghostly melody that rips in and out. It is almost unnerving how the sounds float in the music.

Even if “Port of Morrow” doesn’t elicit the response Natalie Portman gave to “New Slang,” you will at least identify with Zach Braff’s response to this album: “It’s good, I like it.”

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Student expansion surpasses faculty

In the first year of the expansion plan, it looks as if the University is outgrowing its britches a bit too quickly. According to an FIU Student Media report written by Katherine Ferlito, our faculty-student ratio is at 28.1, which surpasses the already high state average of 22.5. This takes away a crucial selling point for the University, which is in opposition to the goal of raising our student population by 2,000 every year.

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Students weigh in on an uncontested election

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Although the presidential election for the Student Government Council at Biscayne Bay Campus is uncontested, voting has still taken place, beginning yesterday and ending today.

To some, the unchallenged ticket of Pablo Haspel and Oluwatobilade Adelokya leaves something to be desired in the elections process. Senior international relations major Maria Reynaga thinks a contested election would have offered more.

“It would have been nice. Just because I feel like there would be more things happening,” said Reynaga. “I don’t even see the point of campaigning. It’s not fun, even if you’re the candidate yourself.”

Although Reynaga said she supports the candidates, she felt that the Modesto Maidique campus had “real campaigning.”

The election was nearly a contest one when Adelokya’s request to split the ticket and form a ticket of his own along with Oluwatamilore Odimayo was granted, but the SGC-BBC election was taking place.

Some were not even aware the election was taking place.

“We, as students, should know more about who’s running and what the goals are,” junior hospitality major Daniel Rozo said.

Rozo, who previously attended Miami Dade College, said he was always aware of elections there.

“I used to go to MDC and I would hear about it,” he said. “They had set-ups and speeches from what I remember, every semester.”

According to a sign in sheet, 23 people attended the candidate debates in Panther Square on April 2, a lower number than secretary of SGC-BBC George Simpson expected.

“A lot of people don’t come to events unless there is free food, but there also could have been more promotion,” Simpson said.

SGC-BBC announced the event with posters around campus and an email, but the interest still underwhelmed.

For junior hospitality major Walter Diaz, it’s a matter of time.

“We’re so busy,” Diaz said, who takes all of his classes online. “I’m a full time worker and a full time student.

This is the second consecutive year of uncontested elections at SGC-BBC, with Denise Halpin and Emilio Coller acquiring presidential ticket.

A night on the town takes some unexpected turns

While skating up and down the empty streets of Wynwood, you would never guess anything happens here when the sun goes down.

Inside a warehouse and up an elevator to the 4th floor there were a bunch of artists, crammed in the hallway coming in and out of the Charles Weinberg Museum.

This decent space was host to “Eclipse,” an exhibition of work by Berlin-based artist Hannes Bend.

The gallery overflows with wreckage dredged from the Osborne Reef, a failed man made reef off the coast of Fort Lauderdale. The fishy smell was only tolerable by the free PBR’s, but even that couldn’t stop the hunger. Leaving the museum, we headed to Small Taco Place on the corner of northwest 29th street and northwest 12th Avenue.

The tent was run by a family selling tacos and corn on a cob from a parking lot next to a convenience store. It seemed sketchy at first but the tacos made me feel closer to Mexico.

It was unlike any other experience with how delicious and authentic the tacos were.

It was time for music and all fingers were pointing to Vagabond to see the band Little Beard. On our way in, bickers flooded the side entrance trying to park their bicycles.

Inside there was a crazy line for the snack shack and their famous veggie bean burgers. Little beard came on at 11:45 p.m. and played to a crowd of about 150 attendees.

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Sometimes you have to take matters into your own hands

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You’ve just arrived home from a long day of school. You’re mentally drained and stressed out and your hormones are raging. What do you do to relax? Take a shower? Go to the gym? Nope. You masturbate!

Yes, you heard me correctly. You beat the meat. You play with the kitty. Whatever technical term you enjoy using, it all serves one purpose: self-stimulation.

Masturbation has been around for centuries and the word still creates an uncomfortable feeling for many. It is funny that we learned about sex as early as the fourth or fifth grade but were never taught much or anything at all about masturbation.

When talking about masturbation, it seems that most males accept the conversation, while most women tend to shy away from it. Many women feel that masturbating is somehow wrong. Maybe this stems from cultural views on masturbation as immoral. In actuality, it is perfectly healthy.

There are so many benefits to polishing yourself off a few times a month, week, or hell, even a day.

According to a study done by the National Survey of Sexual Health and Behavior, 83 percent of males and 64 percent of females ages 20-24 reported that they have masturbated.

A study conducted by Pinkerton, Bogart, Cecil, and Abramson in 2002, found that male college students reported that they masturbate an average of four times per week and female college students reported that they masturbated a little more than one time per week.

Masturbation is a very common behavior and many do so throughout their lives.