



- I. Welcome & Call to Order: 4:04
- II. Pledge of Allegiance: Juan Gilces
- III. Roll Call :

Alejandra Ares	Present
Luis Callejas	Present
Maria Carricarte	Present
Leonardo Cosio	Present
Juan Gilces	Present
Deborah Jutan	Present
Gabriela Millan	Present
Jorgini Navarro	Late (excused)
Michelle Prado	Late
Vincent Rodriguez	Present
Natalia Quintero-Riestra	Present
Devondra Shaw	Present
John Ukenye	Present

IV. **Agency Reports**

- a. Multi Faith Council
- b. CSO
- c. Residential Life
 - Roar for the Cure - Oct. 14 (meeting on 9/9 @ 1:30)
 - Breast cancer walk, and the meeting will be the 9th in the RHA office
 - General Assembly
 - Legislative body to advocate for housing students, the main concerns are dining hours and a food pantry
 - ExtRHAvaganza Week was moved because of the storm
 - Watch Party: tomorrow at Chili's for the UCF game
 - Movie in the Lawn on Sept 7 (Avengers I): Monday is Avengers 1 and Friday is Avengers 2 in collaboration with SPC
 - Application for Hall Council /general Assembly is open
 - Announcement on Sept 13 at 8:00 p.m.
 - The general assembly meetings will be every other Thursday from 8 to 9:30 PM
 - RHA Constitution has to be approved by the Senate

- Spoke to Alian, speaker of the senate about the approval of the constitution
- d. SPC
 - SPC Hispanic Heritage Month
 - Hispanic Heritage Comedy Show
 - September 3rd
 - GC Ballrooms
 - 6 PM
 - Other Hispanic Heritage Events



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- Stay Fit, Stay Golden pit event (September 3rd)

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e. Homecoming

- Homecoming Packets are officially online and it includes court, parades. September 13th is the deadline for the court application. The deadline for the parade and panthers got talent is September 20, 2015
- Parade
 - The parade will be starting at 3:30 and it will be one hour and a half or two hours due to a longer route
- Comedy Show
 - One artist is revealed, Jeff Ross is one of the headliners for the comedy show.
- Interns
 - 16 new interns in the program allowing for more help for events

- September 9th is the rules and regulations meeting for homecoming and it is a general meeting at BBC

f. BSU

- Had a lot of events involving the community, a welcome back cookout in partnership with RHA, also had a forum with Dr. Aikens that gave her a lot of feedback allowing for those ideas to come to life
- Another event with the community happened at the fall and had a great turnout. There is a lot of new members joining BSU. Open mic night was great for the club and getting more students involved and engaged in the events.
- Upcoming events include the odyssey next week Wednesday which is a mixer with the students and faculty. Will have a speaker for a lecture at BBC trying to engage students with the sister campus. That Saturday will be the black professional summit, started with an alumni and state of the union will start up again and will be sending out emails. The tailgates for the football games will be coming as well, met with athletics on how to get students engaged at the games, advertising the party deck to get students to go, and will have giveaways given to students. Trying to reach out to the community for more collaborations and will be partnering with alternative breaks and do more fundraising for BSU initiatives including the scholarship, involving the Mr. and Miss BSU, scholarship pageant. Looking into fundraising and donating to a charity of choice. Collaboration with homecoming for the reggae fest at BBC.
- Black history month will be big with BSU working with a conference called black tech week and bring in a lot of nationally recognized people to speak to students will take place at BBC.

V. **Cabinet Reports**

a. **Deputy Chief of Staff (Leo Cosio & Ale Ares)**

- **Ale**
 - Mental Health Club
 - We are a resource
 - Held meeting on Monday
 - Currently looking for an eboard and align goals across different organizations.
 - Collaborating with RHA with a week in October for awareness, possibly have puppies or other alternatives. Possible collaboration with CAPS, they want to have a pie in the face challenge similar to the ALS challenge
 - i. Silent disco: no talking in honor of people who have passed away
 - Collaboration with RHA on their mental health awareness week
 - First week of October
 - SGA participate
- **Leo**
 - Got the Apple Computers Campus Rep to collaborate with SGA and provide us with Macs for WOW tabling

- Talked to the campus rep for a potential tech workshop in collaboration with the apple campus organizations. The event could take place in October or November
 - Talked to Apple Campus Rep about potential October or November Tech Workshop for student and he agreed
 - Need to talk to Alexis to continue involvement in FSA
 - Confirmed with John to take part in January MLK events
 - Attended Faculty Senate 9/1: talked about two bills that are in the state senate with the no guns on campus and that was the main interest, faculty is having a reception at the president's house September 16th. The Provost is interested in increasing student enrollment to 60K. they are also interested in increasing the amount of online students to alleviate the parking situations. Also interested in increasing the amount of patents given by FIU from 2 to 20, and also trying to increase the amount of startup companies that come out of FIU. Also focusing on adding and incorporating the arts into the traditional STEM
 - Washington magazine rated FIU as #17 out of #24 as best universities in engagement with the community and social engagement
 - A hazardous waste committee is being created for the reason that the BBC dorms is infested with mold yet no one wants to pay so it will be pitched to the state legislature
- b. **Marketing Coordinators (Maria Carricarte)**
- Download the repost for instagram app to be able to repost SGA pictures
 - Working on social media contest but wait until students have a break in the upcoming weeks
- c. **Student Experience Coordinator (Natalia Quintero-Riestra)**
- Need to schedule meeting with Engineering Senators and Michelle now that school is back in session and we are all free and here on campus
 - To be able to help the engineering students with the FIU spirit. Planning a meet and greet for the engineering students with Gaby and Michelle
 - Work on FIU Declassified program/pamphlet content and design so that we can pass them out to Freshmen
 - Would contain the FIU Opportunities and discounts
 - Would be a series of events like the tech workshop, continue the declassified in different chapters. Add involvement opportunities to the pamphlets along with the FIU police number.
 - Maybe collaborate with the hospitality students to have a take on the dorm foods easy to cook for on campus for students.
 - Get in contact with Housing Senators + RHA in order to find out status of printing station on campus.
 - A possible 24 hour room for the housing students especially
 - Solidify Aramark/Food experience agenda with Gaby and Shannon for the year so we are on the same page and can start making moves

- Would be targeting Breezeway hours (possibly prices) and Engineering Campus food expansion/implementation of meal plan
 - Meeting to be able to solidify plans to work on the prices and food option
- Work with Gaby to be able to work with CARTA and work to advocate for those students, graduating on time and increasing program opportunities.
- d. **Student Development Coordinator (Michelle Prado)**
 - Engineering Initiative (Phase 1) completed—appears to be a success. More feedback will be gathered at the TownHall this term so that adjustments can be made where they are needed.
 - One student was sent to a course valued at 1500 and has been successful thus far
 - Student Success Committee—final group has been picked and some students have been approved by the Provost to work with faculty on BeyondPossible 2020.
 - Different student perspectives are being collected for planning purposes
 - Ashoka U—I am focusing on incorporating co-curricular activities into every students' schedule (i.e.) Engagement Week, CARTA initiative, Engineering initiative, and supporting advising reform)
 - Moving towards the changemaker goal and the goal for now is to move co curricular and online students
 - SVA—working alongside Vincent to ensure our military personnel are receiving adequate resources to be successful
 - FIUGE—marriage equality event in September
 - Later September, and have SGA table
 - FIU in DC—pending meeting with Alexis and Tiffany to discuss expansion
 - FSA—“homework” on local reps—coordinating round table for Engagement Week to coincide with FSA initiatives
 - Local representatives and it will be both for FSA and all others, would be Thursday of engagement week somewhere in GC. Partnering with Nashira (CLS) for the engagement week
 - Engagement Week—pending meeting with Stephanie Strange (adding hours to library) + planning for SGA meet and greet pt. 2
 - State Farm Partnership—college of business (meeting date TBA)
 - State farm is interested in working with FIU and an upcoming meeting is to be determined
 - PAW—meetings to begin shortly, goal is to increase alumni involvement overall
- e. **Panther Rage Coordinator (Deborah Jutan)**
 - Meeting with students interested in the committee
 - Met with a spirited student interested in being a part of the committee, there are two possible members of the committee
 - Watch Part at Chilis on Sept. 3rd at 5 PM.
 - Tabling for the intern program. Jorgini will be there tabling and

- others can come and support and watch the game
 - This is a SGA collaboration and the participation of SGA officials is extremely encouraged. (event is 5-10)
- Giveaway ideas for the rest of the semester.
 - Email was sent to Gaby and Shannon about possible giveaways
- Design for “I Give a Shirt”
 - The design is created and it will be front and back design, the design will be sent to Shannon
 - Send a list of the committee of at least five members at the end of the week to facilitate the work of the games on the panther rage committee.

f. **Veteran Affairs Coordinator (Vincent Rodriguez)**

- FIU SVA is planning to attend their national conference, they will give me at least 6 weeks so that I can help make arrangements.
 - January 8-12th in San Antonio, Texas. At least six weeks in advance for the arrangements and this will include the roster and expenses for the trip to be presented to the senate finance committee
- SVA president approves November 7th for Salute to Hometown Heroes football game.
 - Contacting Megan for this game
- SVA would like to acquire new space when the building in front of the bookstore opens. (ie: Health Building), I will contact Dr. Lunsford for more information.
 - The building needs to be renovated therefore looking to a new location that is in better conditions.
- Veterans T-Shirts - need to know my budget so decisions can be made on quantity to order, designs are made.
 - Designs are already made, but need to know the funding for the shirts
- Scholarships for Veterans, what can we do?
 - Students are looking into getting more scholarships for veteran students and sponsorships for the veteran students. SGA currently provides scholarships for the veteran students and family members of veteran students but can not be expanded since the scholarships are already in existence.
 - No SGA officials can apply for the SGA sponsored scholarships
- Michelle meet SVA's president introduced potential CAPS and PDQ partnerships.
- Michelle also spoke to SVA for tabling during Engagement Week and Involvement Fair.
- SVA would like to participate in Alejandra's Suicide Awareness and Prevention Organization, and help address PTSD.
 - The veterans office is interested in working together with the suicide awareness event to be able to highlight PTSD among the veteran students

- Sva is working on coordinating an eboard meeting that is open to sga officials based on times, and also general body meetings with all students
- Events to add to schedule:
 - November 10th SVA Flagship Event
 - The main event for veteran's day
 - November 14th Miami Might
 - Everyone comes out to support special Olympics
- When asked by Michelle what is SVA's goal?
 - William responded to increase student awareness of SVA.

g. **Special Events Coordinator (John Ukenye)**

- MLK Committee Update
 - On the 27th there was a meeting and the same concern from last time with regards to fundraising, they would like to have more support coming from SGA and for the breakfast there will be a table provided for SGA for 10 people.
 - January 16th is the MLK day of service, and the parade is the 18th of that month. The MLK dinner is January 20th and the breakfast is January 15th during breakfast time. At the dinner, sga is highly encouraged to go and there will be a movie night January 22nd hosted by SPC.
- United Way Committee Meeting on September 3rd
 - Meeting will be tomorrow and SGA is always tasked with a fundraising event, please share ideas with Alexis and John.
- Leadership Summit Meeting on September 4th
 - Will soon be looking for student volunteers
 - Will be in a couple of days
 - Name and contact information of student leader volunteers is to be given to John.
- 9/11 Day of Service
 - Shannon sent out an email regarding details to sign up, the day of service will take place on that Saturday and it is a big day for SGA. A doodle will be sent out to see interested and available people for the day of service.
- Recharge for Finals: UPDATES
 - PDQ Response: it was a general response about funding (\$5 per meal)
 - FIU Police Response: invoice will be coming soon, event request form is coming in the next couple of weeks

h. **Lobbying Coordinator (Juan Glices)**

- **FSA District Initiative**
 - State Legislator Research Profile due by Friday, September 4th.
 - State legislators that belong to our counties and the representatives, all officials that are pertinent to the area.
 - Focus in the legislators that are on the appropriation committee
 - Contact all District State Legislators or staff by September 25th.

- Contact them to be able to build relations
- September 25 – 27: FSA Polithon travel with Alexis to create Legislative Agenda.
 - Traveling to Tallahassee to create the legislative agenda which will be the core of the higher education initiative sponsored by FSA
- Mid – October: Coordinating FIU Higher Ed Roundtable/Forum.
 - Bring 2-5 state legislators for the forum for all students, working on the facilities and the details of the event
- Working with FSA to be able to focus on the FSA initiative
 - November will be focusing on going to Tallahassee for other forums
 - October and November will be for in district visits and on campus visits for representatives and other officials to meet with the SGA officials.
 - Will be meeting with Leo, Alexis, and Devondra for other events and opportunities.
 - More information needs to be given to students about the board of governors and roundtable forums.

i. **Governmental Affairs Coordinator (Devondra Shaw)**

- It's on Us Campaign
 - Use program named Haven to gauge student's awareness of such issues such as sexual assault, domestic violence, consent, etc.
 - Currently, only targeting freshmen and student organizations that chose to have their students participate in this course
 - Discussed either making it mandatory for all students or speaking to council and club presidents about making it a requirement for members of their organization
 - SGA, BSU, CSO, SPC- providing incentive points to members of student organizations for completing this survey
 - This program can also be accessed through the FIU website: <https://pantherscare.fiu.edu/sexual-assault-prevention/>
 - How to market the campaign to students?
 - Mini-series: have student organizations that want to be a part of this project create a video on topics highlighted by the Haven program and release one a month to keep the issue current
 - Student Competition: organizations on campus participated in a competition where they would make a video about a certain topic and the winners would have their video played at the athletic events and win other incentives
 - Hashtag Competition: Every week students would upload a short video to social media via (Instagram, facebook, or

twitter) on a topic set by the committee using the hashtag #FIUitsonUS and whatever the topic is that week, for example, #whatisconsent, winners will be announced weekly and they would win a prize

- The hashtag idea is the most popular and will act as a soft launch for the Its on Us Campaign
- They would like very much for SGA to promote the event, especially during the days of service in addition to attending some red zone events, like the Men's Health Expo during the 1st week of November and The Hunting Ground
 - Also, could we possibly collaborate with people already hosting a Red Zone event, or plan our own?
- When will this be launched?
 - During Red Zone week, September 8th is our soft launch but the kickoff event has yet to be determined
- Speakers have yet to be determined because we're still in the process of determining which student groups we want to target which will determine the aforementioned question

j. **Intern Coordinator (Jorgini Navarro)**

- Intern Applications will close September 11, 2015
- Info Sessions start this week
 - September 2nd from 1:30 – 2:30
 - September 3rd from 2 – 3
 - September 10th from 12 – 1
- Tabling at watch party on September 3rd
- On September 29th you are welcome to come and speak to the interns about your positions
 - Second intern meeting and it is open to other officials, the meeting will take place in GC 314 Tuesdays 3:30- 5.

k. **Elections Commissioner (Luis Callejas)**

- Creating awareness towards the election process and SGA as a whole
- Contacted person most fit to be Deputy Elections Commissioner (Ana Correa) and will get a response from this person soon.
 - Will contact Gaby upon Senate confirmation.
 - Meeting next week to work out expectations and a possible senate confirmation September 14.
- Meeting with Shannon at some point this week to review Elections Calendar and bug fixes on the Election web portal
 - Mock election with housing students to be able to solve the problem come the actual election. Nov 2-6: survey to see the issues with the ballot
- Looking into flyers and changing logos for the elections and also work on the calendar and put up in the SGA websie

VI. **Chief of Staff Report – Gabriela Millan**

- Scheduling One-On-One's next week. Please be prepared with an event

proposal of an event we spoke of at our cabinet retreat.

- SGA Presentation
 - Next week on Wednesday from 9-10:30 for foreign exchange students from Denmark to present what SGA is about. The presentation is to be 20-30 minutes at the CBC 240.
- CC Shannon and me in EVERY email.

VII. Announcements

VIII. Meeting Adjourned: 6:18 pm