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GOALS AND PROJECTS

Several meetings with different positions in the College of Arts and Architecture have taken place to address needs, concerns, and questions from the students.

Also, several projects were discussed for the Spring Semester that will ultimately help improve the quality of FIU's sense of art and culture as well as integrate them to the FIU community.

- Meeting with FIU Theatre Chair Marilyn Skow
 - Discussed future project in the works
 - Posed the question: How can the department of theater help and be more involved with Culture Fest 2011?
 - Talked about logistics, permissions to rent out spaces for the project
 - Spring semester season and shows were discussed and how that could possibly affect assistance for Culture Fest 2011 in terms of equipment, space, scheduling
 - Ruby Sunrise will open January 21st, 2011
 - Other shows for the spring semester include: Shakespeare's Twelfth Night, Pride and Prejudice
- Email updates through CARTA (College of Arts and Architecture)/Interim Dean/Assistant Deans
 - Sent out an email FIU Theater department asking for students participation and assistance in the project that I am involved with, Culture Fest
 - Interim Dean forwarded me contact information for Kenneth Gelok, distributor/source of communication among different colleges in CARTA
 - Sent out another email to the entire college asking designers, architects, painters, and different artists to showcase their work in the future event that is Culture Fest
- Worked at a more effective promotion of student productions, student projects, and student showcases.
 - Promoted events/student work pertaining to the college of Arts and Architecture which include:
 - Festival of Trees, which took place November 18, 2010
 - Rent, which ran three weeks beginning Nov. 4 in the Main Stage of the Wertheim Performing Arts Center.
 - The Patricia & Phillip Frost Art Museum has received a grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation's Knight Arts Challenge to integrate new media and technologies into the museum's exhibits.
 - The Nutcracker: starring the FIU Amernet String Quartet under the direction of Phillip Church, which is set for 7 p.m. in the Main Stage of the Herbert and Nicole Wertheim Performing Arts Center on December 15th, 2010. Proceeds to benefit the FIU Haiti Relief Task Force
 - FIU School of Music Holiday Concert: Grzegorz Nowak will lead the FIU Symphony Orchestra and Chorus in a Dec. 10 holiday concert featuring Handel's Messiah. December 10, 2010, 7:30PM, Herbert and Nicole Wertheim Performing Arts Center

- Gave out surveys to help establish student opinions, needs, etc and how I can help improve their representation and fulfill those needs (See survey report)
- Met with Miriam Blasco, SGA Marketing Coordinator, and have collaborated for the project: Culture Fest 2011
 - Several meetings were held and email updates occurred
 - Culture Fest aims to showcase student work, art, and talents
 - Will hopefully use this as a tool to achieve help my goal(s) of uniting College of Arts and Architecture to the rest of FIU; more publicity, effective promotion, as well as student involvement that I hope to improve as a CARTA Senator
 - It will be the first; if it succeeds, I hope to continue to involve my college with this project for years to come
 - This will help establish and improve the artistic culture of FIU and bring those students together

All goals and proposals can be found at:
 Florida International University Student Government Association
fiu.edu/~sga

COMMITTEE STATUS

Culture Fest committee has established a date for FIU's first Culture Fest January, 14th 2011. Many spaces have been reserved and logistics have been worked out.

LEGISLATION

Nothing currently submitted to date.

Total: 0 Passed: 0 Failed: 0 Retracted: 0 Tabled: 0

EVENTS

- FIU Culture Fest
 - January 14th, 2011
 - FIU – Modesto Madique Campus
- Monthly Meeting with Deans, Chair, Students

EXPENDITURES

No expenditures to date: \$0.