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Chair, Faculty Senate

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[Please contact the Senate office to view this proposal.]



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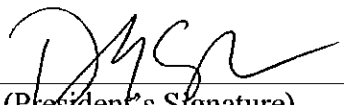
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PRESIDENT'S RESPONSE

APPROVED:  DATE: 10-31-06
(President's Signature)

OFFICE OR INDIVIDUAL TO IMPLEMENT: Dean of Arts & Sciences

EFFECTIVE DATE OF LEGISLATION: _____
(if other than June 1 next following)

NOT APPROVED AND REFERRED TO: _____

REMARKS (IF NOT APPROVED): _____



TO: Professor Mary Coombs
Faculty Senate

FROM: Professor Steve Stein
Center for Latin American Studies

DATE: October 2, 2006

RE: Center for Latin American Studies

What is the status of the establishment of the Center for the Study of the Americas?

With the resignation of former Dean James Wyche, all interdisciplinary centers and institutes, including the Center for the Study of the Americas, were placed on hold. In the subsequent two years, there has been no indication from the College of Arts and Sciences or the Provost's Office that there is interest in reviving the project.

1. Is the CLAS still active?

Absolutely. The CLAS was to be folded into the Center for the Study of the Americas, so when that project was put on hold, the CLAS simply continued to function for the coordination and promotion of Latin American related research and other activities on campus. The Center's on-going efforts in this regard include:

- **Interdisciplinary Research Groups** that encourage faculty and graduate students to meet and discuss their common research interests with the ultimate goal of stimulating individual and joint research projects. The level of Latin Americanist faculty and graduate student interest in Interdisciplinary Research Groups continues to grow. At the end of the Spring Semester we had seven active groups. Last week was the deadline for applications for funding for continuing and new Groups. We received a record number of applications for 11 Interdisciplinary Research Groups.

- **A Speakers Series** and other events (i.e., exhibits, musical programs, etc.) See attached listing covering the past two years plus events already confirmed for the fall and spring semesters 2006-2007.
- Three programs of **Grants and Prizes** for graduate and undergraduate students rewarding academic excellence and supporting research in Latin America. In summer 2006 the center awarded 8 graduate travel research grants, 3 undergraduate awards, and named two Barrett Prize recipients.
- A **Visiting Scholars Program** involving courtesy appointments for scholars visiting South Florida for extended periods of time who wish to be affiliated with the Center. See attached list.
- Functioning as the home of ***Latin American Politics and Society***, internationally recognized as a top-tier interdisciplinary social science journal focusing on contemporary politics, social change, and international relations in the Americas.

There was a question at the Spring Semester meeting of the General Welfare Committee about the proper designation for the CLAS. Given the scope of its activities, the membership of its Executive Board, participating faculty and graduate students, the Center is truly a University-wide institution. The Executive Board, for example, includes members from the School of Communication, RSMAS, the Law School, the Business School and the Library as well as from the College of Arts and Sciences. Moreover, the major funding source for the CLAS is the Office of the Provost. For reporting purposes, the Director reports to the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. See attached a memo from Dean Halleran that addresses this issue.

2. If so, is it on financially sound footing?

During the past two years the CLAS has been functioning with approximately the same budget as in the previous period. While this budget has permitted the Center to maintain its customary level of activities, these resources are not sufficient for the CLAS to respond to the growing campus interest in Latin America as expressed by the expanding numbers of undergraduates and graduates enrolled in Latin American Studies degree programs as well as new faculty hires in the area. Also, the limited funding has been a brake on the CLAS's fulfillment of its longstanding promise to become one of the country's most dynamic centers for the study of the Latin American region. These concerns, shared by the Director and the Executive Board, led to a proposal requesting additional resources for the following:

- Increased funding to Interdisciplinary Research Groups with the goal building ties among faculty of various departments and of providing incentives to seek outside funding.
- Additional Graduate Student Summer Research Grants to respond to the increasing numbers of qualified applicants for these awards.
- The launching of a high-visibility, year-long program of events to focus on the state of the art of core issues and topics for the study of Latin America.
- A Small Grants Faculty Research and Professional Travel program, similar to those offered at peer centers in the U.S., to provide seed money for new research and travel to professional meetings.

At this writing, we are awaiting the decision from the Dean of Arts and Sciences and the Provost on this proposal.

3. Is it achieving its mission and striving for excellence?

The Center continues to strive for excellence as it has since its founding. It does achieve its mission of coordinating and promoting Latin American activities at the University. The present level of support does not, however, permit the CLAS to rise to the level of its potential as one of the elite Latin American centers in the country, or in the words of Provost LeBlanc, to "own Latin America."

Interdisciplinary Research Group Proposals 2006-2007

“Environment and Tourism in Latin America”

Moderators: Traci Ardren (Department of Anthropology) and Rinku Roy Chowdhury (Department of Geography)

“Vector-born Diseases in Urban Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean”

Moderators: John C. Beier (Department of Epidemiology and Public Health) and Matthew Potts (Department of Biology)

“The Changing Composition of South Florida Immigrant Communities”

Moderators: Elizabeth Aranda (Department of Sociology) Elena Sabogal (Center for Latin American Studies) and Sallie Hughes (School of Communication)

“Print Media in Latin America”

Moderator: Ileana Oroza (School of Communication)

“Politics and Society in the Andes”

Moderators: Bruce Bagley (Department of International Studies) and Steve Stein (Department of History)

“Haiti Research Group”

Moderators: Kate Ramsey (Department of History) and HERNAN MARCELIN (Department of Anthropology)

“Atlantic Studies”

Moderators: Tim Watson (Department of English) and Ashli White (Department of History)

“Caribbean Literary Studies”

Moderators: Nadia Indra Jonson (Department of English) and Edmund Abaka (Department of History)

“La revolución bolivariana y la cuestión social en Venezuela: políticas públicas para la reducción de la pobreza y la exclusión social.”

Moderador: Freddy Vivas (Center for Latin American Studies Affiliated Scholar)

“Dialogues on Democratization and Human Rights in Cuba”

(Jennifer Alvarez, International Studies)

“The European Union as a Model and Reference for Regional Integration: A Comparative Perspective and Lessons for the Americas”

Moderators: Joaquin Roy (Department of International Studies) and Bruce Bagley (Department of International Studies)

Fall/Spring 2006 Calendar of Events

Event	Presenter	Place	Day	Time
Chile under Pinochet	Juan Emilio Cheyre Centro de Estudios Internacionales UC Santiago Chile	Memorial 125D	August 24	11:00-2PM
Business and the Politics of Corporate Social Responsibility in Latin America- Regional Workshop	Felipe Aguero	Hurricane 100, 125 D (5-6:20)	9/25/2006 Monday	8-5, 5-6:20
Roundtable on Business and the Politics of Corporate Social Responsibility in Latin America	Felipe Aguero	Law School Conference Room 263	9/26/2006 Tuesday	12-2
The Jews of Modern Brazil	René Decol	Memorial 125K	09/28/2006 Thursday	12:30- 2:30PM
"Profesias Latinoamericanas"	Carlos Monsivais	LC 120	10/10/2006 Tuesday	3:30-5PM
"Cultures of Devotion: Folk Saints of Spanish America"	Frank Graziano	LC 160	10/16/2006 Monday	7-9PM
Globalization and the Plight of Labor: The Case of the Colombian Flower Workers	Campo Elías Bautista Bohórquez	LC?	10/17/2006 Tuesday	6-8PM
Walmart Worker Tour	Nicaraguan worker Ms. Ana Maria Bahona	UC Ballrooms C & D	10/18/2006 Wednesday	11AM- 2PM
Madame Dread: A Tale of Love, Vodou, and Civil Strife in Haiti	Kathie Klarreich	LC 120	10/24/2006 Tuesday	7-10PM
The 'Problem' of Indian Dress in Colonial Guatemala	Martha Few	LC 120	10/31/2006 Tuesday	4-5PM
The Ceramic Folk Art of Peru: Chulucanas Pottery Workshop	Polo Ramírez	Memorial 125K	11/01/2006 Wednesday	5-8PM
"Rising Star: Hugo Chavez and His Combative Challenge To The Bush Administration."	Nikolas Kozloff	Memorial 125 D	11/16/06 Thursday	6-8pm
Quiero Volver – Documentary Film	Andrea Franco	Cosford Cinema	11/9/2006 Thursday	8PM
Recent Elections in Latin America: Results and Implications	Richard Feinberg		12/04/2006 Monday	
TBA	Ariel Segal		01/24/2007	
Migration, Labor and Social Movements in the Americas	Alejandro Portes		02/13/2007 Tuesday	
5 th Annual FIU/UM Graduate Student Conference	FIU and UM graduate students	Wesley	03/29/2007	9:00- 5:00PM
Coffee in Colombia: Past, Present and Future	Bruce Bagley and Carlos Garcia	UM and Bogota, Colombia	02/2007	

**CLAS Events
Fall 2005**

Event	Presenter	Place	Day	Time
El PAN y las elecciones mexicanas del 2006: La lucha democrática por la presidencia en Mexico	Dr. Rogelio Carbajal	Cuban Heritage Collection	September 21	12PM-2PM
Development of Sino-Latin American and Its Implications for the U.S.	Jiang Shixue	Memorial 125D	October 3	12PM – 2PM
Comparing the Development Models in LA & East Asia	Jiang Shixue	Memorial 207	October 4	4PM-6PM
The Rise of Chaos: Indigenous Education and State Power, Bolivia XIX Century	Martin Brien	Memorial 125D	October 19	12PM-2PM
Institutional Chaos and Indigenous Integration	Marten Brien	Memorial 125 D	November 9	12PM-2PM

Spring 2006

“La lengua maya como estrategia identitaria”	Dr. Juan Castillo Cocom Universidad del Carmen, Mexico	125 K	January 26	4PM-6PM
Transnational Organized Crime and International Criminal Justice: Developments and Debates	Dr. Andreas Schloenhardy, School of Law, University of Queensland, Australia	125 K	January 27	12PM-2PM.
Failing Haiti	David Adams, Bruce Bagley, Kate Ramsey, History	LC 184	February 1	7pm
The Border and Internal Mexican Migration in the Post-NAFTA Era	Matthew Ward	125K	February 7	12PM-2PM
The Largest Default of the Decade: Argentina 2001	Heriberto Hocsmán Universidad de Buenos Aires	School of Law, Room 109	February 16	12:30PM-2:30PM
Doctoral Research Presentation	Ana Salazar	125 D	February 21	12-2
Doctoral Research Presentation	Teresa Frontado	125 K	February 23	12-2
Agrarian Reform as a Path to Development in Brazil	Daniel Correia	UC 241	February 27	11-1
Racism without Racists: The Sweet Enchantment of Color Blind Nonsense	Dr. Eduardo Bonilla-Silva	LC 160	March 6	1:45 - 3:30
The University of Miami and CIES/Fulbright Programs for Latin America	Carol Robles, Senior Program Officer, Western Hemisphere Council for International Exchange	Memorial 125K	March 20	11-2

	of Scholars (CIES)			
Agendas politico-culturales para el Siglo XXI en America Latina	Hugo Achugar (University of Miami), Nestor Garcia Canclini (UNAM), Elizabeth Jelín (Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Técnicas, Universidad de Buenos Aires), and Sergio Ramirez (Nicaragua)	Department of Foreign Languages Conference Room	March 21-22	All Day
"Mexico Briefing"	Luis Rubio, Visiting Fellow Center for Hemispheric Policy	LC 182	March 22	3:30 – 4:30
"South American Wine Revolutions"	Steve Stein, Ana Maria Mateu (Universidad Nacional de Cuyo, Mendoza, Argentina), and Alcides Beretta (Universidad de la Republica, Montevideo, Uruguay)	PRC 136	March 23	7-10pm
FIU/UM Graduate Student Conference	Graduate Students	FIU	March 30	8:00AM – 5:00PM
30 Years of the Peruvian Retablo: A retrospective Exhibit of the Works Renowned Folk Artist Nicario Jimenez with concert by Andean musical group Amaru	Nicario Jimenez, Carol Damian, Steve Stein followed by Amaru concert Sponsored by CLAS and the Peruvian Consulate	College of Arts and Sciences Gallery	April 12-14	12: 7pm 13: 6:30-8 14: 4-8
Brazil: The Challenges of Globalization	Marco Marconini, Visiting Fellow Center for Hemispheric Policy	LC 110	April 19	3:30 – 4:30
Coffee: Past, Present and Future	TBA	TBA	April	TBA
Democracy in Latin America: Problems and Prospects	Polibio Cordoba (Center for Studies and Date, Quito Ecuador)	TBA	April	TBA

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Barrett Prize 2000-2005
Best Dissertation on a Latin American Topic

Lee Williams (2005)

Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures

Title of Dissertation: *The Metafiction (and Modernism) of Quiroga, Arlt and Onetti: Debunking the Pre-Boom Lacuna*

Ericka Suzette López Godoy (2005)

Department of International Studies

Title of Dissertation: *Explaining Political Adaptation of Former Hegemonic Parties: Is Eastern Europe the Future of Mexico?*

Manuela Picq (2004)

Department of International Studies

Title of Dissertation: *The Politics of Human Rights in Brazil: Imposition of Norms from Without or Innovation from Within?*

Erica Windler (2003)

Department of History

Title of Dissertation: *City of children: boys, girls, family and state in imperial Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*

Dennis Rempe (2002)

Department of International Studies

Title of Dissertation: *Counterinsurgency in Colombia: A U.S. National Security Perspective 1958-1966*

Juan Carlos Espinosa (2001)

Department of International Studies

Title of Dissertation: *Regime Crisis and the Reconstitution of Civil Society*

Cristina Mehrtens (2000)

Department of History

Title of Dissertation: *Urban Space and Politics: Constructing Social Identity and the Middle Class in Sao Paulo, Brazil, 1930s-1940s*

Arlene Tickner (2000)

Department of International Studies

Title of Dissertation: *A State of the Art of the Study of International Relations in Latin America*

**CLAS Summer Research Travel Grants
2006 Award Recipients**

Ana Ibarra

Biology, Ph.D. program

Research Topic: "Effects of Forest Fragmentation on the Distribution and Movement of Terrestrial Insectivore Birds of the Rain Forest"

Sherri-Marie Harrison

English, Ph.D. program

Research Topic: "Boom Tune a Blow Dem Mind: Perspectives on a Jamaican Cultural Nationalism"

Nadia Indra Johnson

English, Ph.D. program

Research Topic: "Performing Masculinities: The Rise of Cultural Nationalism in the Caribbean"

Lara Barrett Cahill

English, Ph.D. program

Research Topic: "*Soy mestiza y no lo soy?* The Riddle of Race and the Face of the Nation in Gonzalo Roig's Cecilia Valdes"

Teresa Frontado

History, Ph.D. program

Research Topic: "The Emasculated Barbarian: Gendered Discourse on Civilization and Power in Nineteenth Century Venezuela"

John Twichell

International Studies, Ph.D. program

Research Topic: "The Effects of Social Capital and *Cooperación* in Mexico: A Comparative Study of Two Oaxacan Villages"

William Ryan Hamlet

Latin American Studies, M.A. program

Research Topic: "Women with Guns"

Lindsey Howe

Latin American Studies, M.A. program

Research Topic: "What does it mean to be a Quepeño? A case study of community dynamics in Quepos, Costa Rica"

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**CLAS Undergraduate Awards
2005-2006 Recipients**

Jennifer Alvarez

“The Face of Invisibility within the Cycle of Poverty in Brazil”

Mikaela Jayashkaramurthy

“An Investigation of the Impact of Multinational Oil Corporations and Neoliberalism on the Indigenous Identity in the Ecuadorian Amazon”

Victoria Quintana

“Donde florece el framboyán” (Colección de poemas sobre Cuba)

**Visiting Scholars Program
2005-2006 Academic Year**

Dr. Carlos Garcia Orjuela (2003-2005)

President of Colombian Congress (2001-2002), Colombian Senator (1994-present)

Dr. Carlos Astiz (2003-present)

Professor Emeritus of Political Science
State University of New York, Albany

Ms. Diana Holguin (2004-present)

M.A. Candidate
University of South Australia, Adelaide

Ms. Chantalle Verna (2003-2005)

Ph.D. Candidate
Department of Anthropology
Michigan State University

Dr. Eduardo Saenz (2002-present)

Department of History
Universidad Nacional de Colombia

**Visiting Scholars Program
2006-2007 Academic Year**

Dr. Carlos Astiz (2003-present)
Professor Emeritus of Political Science
State University of New York, Albany
Military and Politics in Peru and Argentina

Dr. Polibio Diaz (2006)
Economics Professor, Universidad Católica - Quito, Ecuador
President – CEDATOS (Center for Studies and Data)
Political leadership, electoral campaigns and governability in the Andean region

Ms. Diana Holguin (2004-present)
M.A. Candidate
University of South Australia, Adelaide
Latin American Immigration and Transformation of Foodways in South Florida

Dr. Eduardo Saenz (2002-present)
Department of History
Universidad Nacional de Colombia
The Historical Roots of the Drug Trade in Colombia and the Cuban Connection

Dr. Freddy Vivas (2006)
Facultad de Ciencias Jurídicas y Políticas
Universidad Central de Venezuela
*“La revolución bolivariana y la cuestión social en Venezuela: Políticas públicas para la
reducción de la pobreza y la exclusión social”*

TO: The General Welfare Committee
University of Miami Faculty Senate

FROM: Michael Halleran
Dean
College of Arts & Sciences

Professor Steve Stein, the current Director of the Center for Latin American Studies, has indicated to me that in the course of your committee's review of the Center's status, a question was raised as to whether it is more properly designated as a University- or College-directed enterprise. In my view, which is shared by Professor Stein, both the original aim and current operations of the Center are University-wide in scope, as is evident from the wide and ongoing cross-school participation in its governance and its programs. Accordingly and in my view, the best academic wisdom calls for it to continue with its current university-level academic definition. If you have further questions about this issue, please do not hesitate to follow up. I thank the Senate for its support of GLAS to date, and encourage you to continue that support in the future.

Faculty Senate Office

From: Faculty Senate Office
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2006 1:32 PM
To: Halleran, Michael Ros; Stein, Stephen J.
Cc: 'Glemaud, Rose'
Subject: your copy of Legislation #2006-09(B) - WITH ATTACHMENT
Attachments: 2006-09.pdf

Attached is your copy of Legislation #2006-09(B) - Re-approval of the Center for Latin American Studies which is PENDING based on approval by the President. You will be sent a copy of the final legislation once it has been approved.

Regards,

Robyn Hardeman

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**October 18, 2006
Faculty Senate minutes**

The meeting, held in the Hurricane 100 room in the BankUnited Center, opened at 3:30 p.m.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

In addition to the comments included in his memorandum to Senators, the Chair informed the Senate of several additional items:

- The President responded to the resolution that was passed at the last meeting pertaining to the administration's handling of student discipline regarding the janitors strike, noting that in recognition of that concern she has charged a committee of faculty, students, and staff to review the current procedures and processes and report their recommendations to her.
- Vicky Mitrani, who was a senator from the Miller School of Medicine, has transferred her appointment to the School of Nursing and Health Studies and has been elected as that School's senator.
- The remarks attributed to the Chair in the Sun-Sentinel regarding the FIU/UM football game were a misquote. The Chair stated that he would never presume to speculate on what the Faculty Senate will or will not do in any meeting.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Prior to the President's Remarks, *a motion was made and seconded* to add a discussion of student disciplinary issues as the first item under General Matters. *The Senate voted* unanimously to approve the addition. The President stated that she would hold her remarks about the football melee and discipline for that portion of the agenda. She then presented a number of items:

- Every indicator of student quality has gone up at the University, including for example class rank, SAT, LSAT, and MCAT.
- The Provost's recruitment of new University leaders continues to bring extraordinary talent. The appointment of five new distinguished professors also helps to celebrate our commitment to faculty excellence and our understanding that great universities are built on great faculties.
- Dean Goldschmidt's recruitment of faculty and faculty administrators in the Miller School of Medicine has strengthened that school dramatically and is supported by the Miller gift. The gift was not an endowment and not for buildings but to recruit and retain the finest faculty.
- A \$35.6 million gift was received from the estate of the late Eugenia J. Dodson to the Diabetes Research Institute and the Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center.
- The Diabetes Research Institute has increased its pledge to the University another \$15 million from \$65 million to \$80 million.
- The Batchelor Foundation has given \$5 million for Pediatrics.
- As promised, the second phase of the momentum campaign focuses on creating endowed chairs across the University both to retain existing faculty and to recruit new faculty.
- The Schechter Family Foundation has donated \$2 million in a specific area of the new University hospital that will be named after them. Money is being raised to name parts of the new hospital that will be used to support faculty.
- Dany and Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson have donated \$2 million to name the living room of the Robert and Judi Prokop Newman Alumni Center. Both are graduates of the University.
- Laurie Silvers committed a total of \$1.6 million for an endowed distinguished professorship in the School of Law.

- Publix Supermarkets Charities have increased their pledge for the George W. Jenkins Scholarships in the School of Business.
- John Roberts, Chief Justice of the United States, will make his first public appearance at the University on November 13 and 14. He will give a public presentation in the BankUnited Center and will be teaching classes in history, communications, and law.
- Dean search committees have been appointed for the Frost School of Music, chaired by Michael Halleran; the School of Business, chaired by William Green; the Graduate School, chaired by Otis Brown; and the School of Engineering, chaired by Richard Bookman.
- At the upcoming Board of Trustees meeting, the major presentation will be on the University Strategic Plan.

The President asked the Provost to make a few remarks:

- The first step of the strategic planning process focuses on the quality of the undergraduate student body and student experience. A number of faculty committees are being formed to review issues that are of importance to the Strategic Plan. William Green, Senior Vice Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Education, is working with the Senate's University Curriculum Committee to evaluate the Honors Program and make recommendations for changes.
- Regarding this year's measurements of student quality, the University received applications from 19,040 students, of whom 40% were accepted. SATs are at 1269, an increase of 11 points over last year; the median is 1280, an increase of 20 points over last year. We now have 14% of the freshman class over 1400 on their SATs and 60% between 1200-1400. For the first time, 8% of our students came from Computed Selectivity Index One, doubling last year's percentage; 35% came from CPI Two and another 35% from CPI Three. Across the board, every statistic is improving. If we continue on this path, we will easily make the five- and ten-year goals that have been previously discussed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The meeting agenda, as amended with a new item B1, namely, student disciplinary matters, dropping all the other items one place, *passed unanimously*.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2006

The minutes of September 27, 2006, *passed unanimously*.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair expressed the apologies of the first Vice Chair, Michael Lewis, for his absence because he was way away on business.

STUDENT DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

President Shalala described in detail the unfortunate events of the UM/FIU football game that took place on Saturday, October 14, 2006. She stated that student athletes are governed by rules of their conference, of the officials on the field, and of their athletic department, all of which are handled relatively quickly. She asserted that the penalties levied include a new standard at UM: If a player gets into a fight on the field, the player will not be able to play for the rest of the season, and possibly never again, depending on the circumstances. The President asked Paul Dee, Director of Athletics, to speak on the discipline process. He first apologized to the Senate, stating that he regretted that the event took place, and then described the actions on the part of the conference and the University in the ensuing 48 hours, noting that the President called a meeting of the senior leadership of the University for the day following the game, in which the

film of the brawl was reviewed again thoroughly. After discussion among the leadership, it was determined that the suspension of the team member involved in the helmet incident was insufficient and that the player would be suspended indefinitely. All of the athletes involved were put on probation and must participate in community service, and other disciplinary measures may be imposed.

The President and Mr. Dee entertained questions from the floor. After discussion, the matter was considered closed and no action was taken by the Senate.

A request was made to return to the topic of the resolution approved by the Senate the previous month regarding the disciplinary actions against the students who participated in the demonstrations pertaining to the janitors strike. Eugene Clasby, Senator from the College of Arts and Sciences, explained his view on the actions taken by the administration. The President stated that she would forward Dr. Clasby's statement to the committee that is reviewing the current discipline procedures and ask them specifically to review whether the fundamental premise underlying our current rules and regulations is flawed. She stated that she welcomes comments and asked that members either e-mail her or make an appointment to meet with her. The Chair of the Senate noted that a good portion of the agenda remained and asked if the body felt that this discussion should continue. No objection was made to moving ahead with the rest of the agenda.

INTRODUCTION OF PASCAL GOLDSCHMIDT, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FOR MEDICAL AFFAIRS AND DEAN OF THE MILLER SCHOOL MEDICINE

Unfortunately, because the previous discussion ran long, the Dean had a prior engagement and needed to leave. This item will be rescheduled.

INTRODUCTION OF ISAAC PRILLELTENSKY, DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Dean Prilleltensky shared information on his personal background and explained that his vision for the School is for it to be a center of excellence in multicultural well-being in families, schools, and the community; its mission will be to prepare leaders in the study and promotion of physical, psychological, educational, and social well-being of our increasingly diverse population.

INTRODUCTION OF WILLIAM GREEN, SENIOR VICE PROVOST AND DEAN OF UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

Dr. Green shared some personal information, noting that he was with the University of Rochester for 32 years, where he started teaching religion and founded the Department of Religion and Classics and helped to develop a distinctive undergraduate curriculum. His areas of responsibility at the University of Miami have to do with the undergraduate experience, and he will be co-chairing with Michael Gaines the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Committee that is going to take a comprehensive look at the University's undergraduate programs in all of those areas and make recommendations to the Provost. He will be participating in a working group with Patricia Whitely to review everything that happens with undergraduate students in their first year to see what is successful and to find areas where improvement is needed to improve the student experience. He will also look at new directions we might pursue in terms of global education and study abroad for undergraduates. High on his priority is a thorough review of the University's Honors Program, and he is working with the Senate's University Curriculum Committee, which has agreed to make this issue its primary project for this year. He has had a number of meetings with different student groups, and a review of the Honors Programs has been regularly mentioned as a high priority. He concluded

that he has been especially impressed with the persistence and passion with which the student government has advanced a whole range of educational issue that concern them.

RE-APPROVAL OF THE CENTER FOR LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

The Chair stated the General Welfare Committee recommended re-approval of the Center for Latin American Studies for five years and asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the proposal. *The Senate voted unanimously* to re-approve the Center for five years.

FACULTY SALARY COMPARISON REPORT

Rene Sacasas, Chair of the Budget and Compensation Committee for 2005-2006, presented a faculty salary comparison report on last year's figures. He stated that there is not much difference in the figures from those reported last year but that the Provost's office has been very open with the Committee. The Provost has made himself available to the Committee in terms of understanding how the budgetary process works and how it ties into the strategic planning process. The Provost is committed to this process and is encouraging the Committee to participate in the strategic planning process as well as in the budgetary review process. After discussion, the Senate thanked Professor Sacasas for his report.

The remainder of the meeting was held in Executive Session to discuss the James W. McLamore Outstanding Service Award.

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Kimberly Litman
Secretary of the Faculty Senate

EXECUTIVE SESSION

October 18, 2006

The Chair presented the General Welfare Committee's recommendation for the 2006 James W. McLamore Award for Outstanding Service. Following discussion, Kamal Yacoub, Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering, was selected.

Faculty Senate Office

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Hurricane 100 room-BankUnited Center
October 18, 2006 - 3:30 P.M.
AGENDA

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A.	<u>Introductory Matters</u>	Approx.
		Time
A1.	<u>Chair's remarks</u>	3:30
A2.	President's remarks	3:35
A3.	Approval of today's agenda	3:50
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C.	<u>Other Business</u>	5:00
D.	<u>Executive Session</u>	5:05
D1.	James W. McLamore Outstanding Service Award recommendations from the General Welfare Committee	
E.	<u>Adjournment</u>	

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TBA	Ariel Segal		01/24/2007	
Migration, Labor and Social Movements in the Americas	Alejandro Portes		02/13/2007 Tuesday	
5 th Annual FIU/UM Graduate Student Conference	FIU and UM graduate students	Wesley	03/29/2007	9:00- 5:00PM
Coffee in Colombia: Past, Present and Future	Bruce Bagley and Carlos Garcia	UM and Bogota, Colombia	02/2007	

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El PAN y las elecciones mexicanas del 2006: La lucha democrática por la presidencia en Mexico	Dr. Rogello Carbajal	Cuban Heritage Collection	September 21	12PM-2PM
Development of Sino-Latin American and Its Implications for the U.S.	Jiang Shixue	Memorial 125D	October 3	12PM - 2PM
Comparing the Development Models in LA & East Asia	Jiang Shixue	Memorial 207	October 4	4PM-6PM
The Rise of Chaos: Indigenous Education and State Power, Bolivia XIX Century	Martin Brienan	Memorial 125D	October 19	12PM-2PM
Institutional Chaos and Indigenous Integration	Marten Brienan	Memorial 125 D	November 9	12PM-2PM

Spring 2006

"La lengua maya como estrategia identitaria"	Dr. Juan Castillo Cocom Universidad del Carmen, Mexico	125 K	January 26	4PM-6PM
Transnational Organized Crime and International Criminal Justice: Developments and Debates	Dr. Andreas Schloenhardy, School of Law, University of Queensland, Australia	125 K	January 27	12PM-2PM.
Failing Haiti	David Adams, Bruce Bagley, Kate Ramsey, History	LC 184	February 1	7pm
The Border and Internal Mexican Migration in the Post-NAPTA Era	Matthew Ward	125K	February 7	12PM-2PM
The Largest Default of the Decade: Argentina 2001	Heriberto Hocsmán Universidad de Buenos Aires	School of Law, Room 109	February 16	12:30PM-2:30PM
Doctoral Research Presentation	Ana Salazar	125 D	February 21	12-2
Doctoral Research Presentation	Teresa Frontado	125 K	February 23	12-2
Agrarian Reform as a Path to Development in Brazil	Daniel Correia	UC 241	February 27	11-1
Racism without Racists: The Sweet Enchantment of Color Blind Nonsense	Dr. Eduardo Bonilla-Silva	LC 160	March 6	1:45 - 3:30
The University of Miami and CIES/Fulbright Programs for Latin America	Carol Robles, Senior Program Officer, Western Hemisphere Council for International Exchange	Memorial 125K	March 20	11-2

	of Scholars (CIRS)			
Agendas político-culturales para el Siglo XXI en America Latina	Hugo Achugar (University of Miami), Nestor Garcia Canclini (UNAM), Elizabeth Jelin (Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Cientificas y Técnicas, Universidad de Buenos Aires), and Sergio Ramirez (Nicaragua)	Department of Foreign Languages Conference Room	March 21-22	All Day
"Mexico Briefing"	Luis Rubio, Visiting Fellow Center for Hemispheric Policy	LC 182	March 22	3:30 - 4:30
"South American Wine Revolutions"	Steve Stein, Ana Maria Mateu (Universidad Nacional de Cuyo, Mendoza, Argentina), and Alcides Beretta (Universidad de la Republica, Montevideo, Uruguay)	PRC 136	March 23	7-10pm
FIU/UM Graduate Student Conference	Graduate Students	FIU	March 30	8:00AM - 5:00PM
30 Years of the Peruvian Retablo: A retrospective Exhibit of the Works of Renowned Folk Artist Nicario Jimenez with concert by Andean musical group Amaru	Nicario Jimenez, Carol Damian, Steve Stein followed by Amaru concert Sponsored by CLAS and the Peruvian Consulate	College of Arts and Sciences Gallery	April 12-14	12:7pm 13: 6:30-8 14: 4-8
Brazil: The Challenges of Globalization	Marco Marconini, Visiting Fellow Center for Hemispheric Policy	LC 110	April 19	3:30 - 4:30
Coffee: Past, Present and Future	TBA	TBA	April	TBA
Democracy in Latin America: Problems and Prospects	Pollbio Cordoba (Center for Studies and Date, Quito Ecuador)	TBA	April	TBA

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Barrett Prize 2000-2005
Best Dissertation on a Latin American Topic

Lee Williams (2005)

Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures

Title of Dissertation: *The Metafiction (and Modernism) of Quiroga, Arlt and Onetti: Debunking the Pre-Boom Lacuna*

Ericka Suzette López Godoy (2005)

Department of International Studies

Title of Dissertation: *Explaining Political Adaptation of Former Hegemonic Parties: Is Eastern Europe the Future of Mexico?*

Manuela Picq (2004)

Department of International Studies

Title of Dissertation: *The Politics of Human Rights in Brazil: Imposition of Norms from Without or Innovation from Within?*

Erica Windler (2003)

Department of History

Title of Dissertation: *City of children: boys, girls, family and state in imperial Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*

Dennis Rempe (2002)

Department of International Studies

Title of Dissertation: *Counterinsurgency in Colombia: A U.S. National Security Perspective 1958-1966*

Juan Carlos Espinosa (2001)

Department of International Studies

Title of Dissertation: *Regime Crisis and the Reconstitution of Civil Society*

Cristina Mehrrens (2000)

Department of History

Title of Dissertation: *Urban Space and Politics: Constructing Social Identity and the Middle Class in Sao Paulo, Brazil, 1930s-1940s*

Arlene Tickner (2000)

Department of International Studies

Title of Dissertation: *A State of the Art of the Study of International Relations in Latin America*

**CLAS Summer Research Travel Grants
2006 Award Recipients**

Ana Ibarra

Biology, Ph.D. program

Research Topic: "Effects of Forest Fragmentation on the Distribution and Movement of Terrestrial Insectivore Birds of the Rain Forest"

Sherri-Marie Harrison

English, Ph.D. program

Research Topic: "Boom Tune a Blow Dem Mind: Perspectives on a Jamaican Cultural Nationalism"

Nadia Indra Johnson

English, Ph.D. program

Research Topic: "Performing Masculinities: The Rise of Cultural Nationalism in the Caribbean"

Lara Barrett Cahill

English, Ph.D. program

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History, Ph.D. program

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John Twichell

International Studies, Ph.D. program

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William Ryan Hamlet

Latin American Studies, M.A. program

Research Topic: "Women with Guns"

Lindsey Howe

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Research Topic: "What does it mean to be a Quepeño? A case study of community dynamics in Quepos, Costa Rica"

**CLAS Undergraduate Awards
2005-2006 Recipients**

Jennifer Alvarez

“The Face of Invisibility within the Cycle of Poverty in Brazil”

Mikaela Jayashekaramurthy

“An Investigation of the Impact of Multinational Oil Corporations and Neoliberalism on the Indigenous Identity in the Ecuadorian Amazon”

Victoria Quintana

“Donde florece el framboyán” (Colección de poemas sobre Cuba)

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University of South Australia, Adelaide

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President – CEDATOS (Center for Studies and Data)
Political leadership, electoral campaigns and governability in the Andean region

Ms. Diana Holguin (2004-present)
M.A. Candidate
University of South Australia, Adelaide
Latin American Immigration and Transformation of Foodways in South Florida

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TO: The General Welfare Committee
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FROM: Michael Halloran
Dean
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1. Chair's remarks (3:30)
2. #Proposed addition of dean/chair evaluation questions – M. Halleran (3:40)
3. #Re-approval of the Center for Latin American Studies – S. Stein (3:55)
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What is the status of the establishment of the Center for the Study of the Americas?

With the resignation of former Dean James Wyche, all interdisciplinary centers and institutes, including the Center for the Study of the Americas, were placed on hold. In the subsequent two years, there has been no indication from the College of Arts and Sciences or the Provost's Office that there is interest in reviving the project.

1. Is the CLAS still active?

Absolutely. The CLAS was to be folded into the Center for the Study of the Americas, so when that project was put on hold, the CLAS simply continued to function for the coordination and promotion of Latin American related research and other activities on campus. The Center's on-going efforts in this regard include:

- **Interdisciplinary Research Groups** that encourage faculty and graduate students to meet and discuss their common research interests with the ultimate goal of stimulating individual and joint research projects. The level of Latin Americanist faculty and graduate student interest in Interdisciplinary Research Groups continues to grow. At the end of the Spring Semester we had seven active groups. Last week was the deadline for applications for funding for continuing and new Groups. We received a record number of applications for 11 Interdisciplinary Research Groups.

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During the past two years the CLAS has been functioning with approximately the same budget as in the previous period. While this budget has permitted the Center to maintain its customary level of activities, these resources are not sufficient for the CLAS to respond to the growing campus interest in Latin America as expressed by the expanding numbers of undergraduates and graduates enrolled in Latin American Studies degree programs as well as new faculty hires in the area. Also, the limited funding has been a brake on the CLAS's fulfillment of its longstanding promise to become one of the country's most dynamic centers for the study of the Latin American region. These concerns, shared by the Director and the Executive Board, led to a proposal requesting additional resources for the following:

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At this writing, we are awaiting the decision from the Dean of Arts and Sciences and the Provost on this proposal.

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The Center continues to strive for excellence as it has since its founding. It does achieve its mission of coordinating and promoting Latin American activities at the University. The present level of support does not, however, permit the CLAS to rise to the level of its potential as one of the elite Latin American centers in the country, or in the words of Provost LeBlanc, to "own Latin America."

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