

Elections and Appointments Committee (E&A) Student Government Association University of Central Florida

UCF Student Union – Senate Workroom Thursday, November 14th, 2019 3:30 PM

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 3:39 PM

2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum:

<u>Name</u>	<u>E-Mail</u>	<u>Initial</u>	<u>Final</u>
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Senator Cruz	sga_sci3@ucf.edu	P	Р
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ILA Foster	sgaila@ucf.edu	P	P

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Pro Tempore Representative	sga_pro@ucf.edu	Α	А

Quorum Verified: 9/13

- 3. Approval of the Minutes: Approved
- 4. Approval of the Agenda: Approved
- 5. Announcements from the Chair:
 - a. First appointment of the semester coming through our committee today! Remember not to be afraid of asking questions, we want to ensure that they are prepared to be a part of student government, whether they are new, returning, or getting a new position.
 - b. Before that, let's get started with our icebreakers. Today's meeting shouldn't take too long
 - c. After that, we will get back to legislation. The bill is now written, I just want to see how the committee feels about it to get it ready for the floor tonight.
- 6. Announcements from Committee Members: none
- 7. Announcements from Non-Committee Members:
 - a. Wilson: We have been working on the presidential election and we have been getting our commissioners financially trained. We are gonna open up voting from the first to the second week of the semester so people can be aware about the elections. We will also be working to make a video promoting the elections and it should be ready before winter break.
- 8. Old Business: none
- 9. New Business:
 - a. Icebreakers
 - b. Confirmations
 - i. Emma Trittin Assistant Supervisor of Elections
 - 1. Speech
 - a. I am a junior here studying political science and minoring in statistics. Some of what I would like to do are already being done, such as requiring platforms and putting up photos on the website so students can

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be looking at candidates when they are voting. I have not seen what a good election has been and I will work to make the turn out better. I do know what we can do to have a really good presidential election and I look forward to working on that so students can be well represented.

2. Questioning

- a. Moscol: How has your experience interning for Murphy help you for this position?
 - i. It was a lot more different than I expected it to be, I really enjoyed it, I got to talk to people that have different opinions. When you are in a leadership position, it is important to be able to see the perspective of the opposing side.
- b. Alhaddad: What are your plans on improving the Presidential Election in comparison to the Senate Election?
 - i. We have seen repeatedly that there has been a lot of greek life involvement although they only represent 3 percent of the population. I would like to see more students involved. We are gonna be reaching out to RSOs for greater engagement. Also, we could definitely advertise it a lot better. Lots of people have really good ideas but don't really know how to come forward. We are making our platform more active on social media so that more people can be made aware. I also want to work on changing the timeline of the election.
- c. Custis: What will your leadership style going into the Presidential Election look like considering you haven't experienced such an election being on EC?
 - i. Previous elections have been a lot more laissez-faire, the current commission that we have now has gotten used to the way things were. I want to shake things up a little bit. I want to come on a little bit stronger, implement new policies within senate. My leadership style will be one where I am really constructive to make sure that everyone is doing what they are supposed to be doing. I also want to learn more about everyone and how they work so I can appeal to each individually.
- d. Moscol: What is your ideal office atmosphere?
 - i. I definitely like a little chaos. When everyone is being diligent in their work, has high energy and operate in the spirit of getting things done. We are in college but we are adults and we have serious responsibilities.
- e. Bonefont: What is your previous leadership experience outside of SG?
 - i. I was part of March for Our Lives, I co founded it with a friend. I was part of the march at Orlando, I contacted the police to ensure

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the safety of it. I also contacted the local to make sure that they knew what our policies and ideas were.

- f. Moscol: Much of these initiatives involve legislation. How do you plan on making these changes with the appropriate parties?
 - i. Working with E&A is a big thing. The relationship between E&A and EC has been going great so far this semester. I want to communicate that with Austin and also to you guys. I also want to work with the executive branch for a little bit.
- g. Rutledge: What would you do in a situation where you have a definite disagreement with the Supervisor of Elections?
 - i. I wouldn't lie about it. Austin and I have a great friendship and professional relationship. I will tell him straight if I disagree, nothing is definitive. Just because I don't agree with it does not mean others don't. We can always discuss the issue until we reach a compromise.
- h. Foster: As part of leadership in EC, how will you ensure the rest of EC remains unbiased?
 - i. A lot of things that we have seen with EC is communication with the senate. When it comes to voting we are not allowed to say anyone in any way. I have not encountered a single commissioner that has given their actual opinion of someone. I don't see how anyone will be biased but if there is having open lines of communication about it will be key.
- i. Alhaddad: What will you plan on doing that the Supervisor of Elections can't do already
 - i. Making platforms and photos mandatory to increase civic engagement and voter turnout.
- j. Custis: Can you explain the process of either a special or new election and what your role would be during one?
 - i. A special election takes place in case something happens. My role will be to make sure that we are facilitating it properly and making sure that statues in title 6 are being followed to the letter.
- k. Lopez: You mentioned on making headshots mandatory for candidates. Do you believe that by doing so may influence the voters during the elections?
 - i. My reasoning behind the headshots is the fact that it would be beneficial so that we hold candidates forum people will be able to come up to candidates and know what they look like and it would add professionalism and unity within the candidacy. I don't want it to be ill-intentioned. But I definitely do want to discuss that more to see if it would be more harmful than beneficial.

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- 1. St Preux: If someone were to write a book about your life, what would be the title and why?
 - i. Oh my god, this is a cluster-***. My life has been quite a whirlwind, I have had some crazy experiences and a lot of unfortunate things I have had to learn from. My life has been such a rollercoaster

3. Debate:

- a. Alhaddad: I think she answered the questions really well, I do not see any contentions about her, but if there are, I would like to hear more debate about it.
- b. Rutledge: I think you are super qualified for this position, but I would like to see a more in-depth understanding of title 6, but your drive bridges that gap for me, and you can work on that in the future.
- c. Custis: I have seen you say that you were assistant to the supervisor of elections on social media before you were confirmed, I think that was inappropriate, I do also share Rutledge's concerns, but other than that I think you have been and you will do great.
- 4. Vote count: 9-0-0
- c. Adopt Internal Bill 52-01 to the committee: 8-0-0
- 10. Member Discussion:
- 11. Miscellaneous Business:
- 12. Final Roll Call: Same as initial minus 3
- 13. Adjournment: 4:30 PM

Key:

P - Present A - Absent MTD - Move to debate MTV - Move to vote MTA- Move to amend PP - Postpone PPI - Postpone indefinitely

GC - general consent

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