

# University of Central Florida Student Government Association



Governmental Affairs and Policy Committee (GAP)  
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University of Central Florida

UCF Student Union – Senate Workroom  
October 21, 2019 | 5:00PM  
Senate Work Room

## MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 5:05PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum

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3. Approval of the Minutes:
  - a. 10-03-2019 (Caucus)
    - i. GC
4. Approval of the Agenda :
  - a. 10-21-2019
    - i. GC
5. Announcements from the Chair
  - a. Welcome new Gappers:
    - i. Please look through the minutes from this Fall to acquaint yourselves with our recent business. Feel free to reach out to me at any time, with any questions.
    - ii. Fill in your senate emails above
    - iii. Everyone should be in the groupme and drive by now, please lmk if you are not.
  - b. Vice Chair Elections - Misc. Business
    - i. Acting VC Tufo until elections
  - c. Fun Fact: Late Rep. Elijah Cummings' widow is expected to run for his seat in congress.
  - d. DACH: Shout out to the GAP members in attendance.
  - e. DATC Updates
    - i. 11/1 mark your calendars; Mandatory Info Session- Contact Chair Friant if unable to attend.
    - ii. Black and gold attire highly encouraged;
  - f. Debate: Attendance is expected. Please **email me** if you cannot make it.
    - i. Brochure samples
    - ii. We will discuss questions later
  - g. Initiatives: Contact me about what you hope to get accomplished this semester. I can be a good resource to help you get started.
  - h. Housekeeping: I am a real person and I do not like to be left on read. The GroupMe is supposed to be a collaborative space for us, similarly, if I put you in a group chat there is a time sensitive manner. If the answer is no, that's okay, but tell me that.
  - i. Dresscode: Business Casual to committee meetings is commonly encouraged; dress up a little nicer on guest speaker days.
6. Announcements from the Vice Chair

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- a. Move to table
7. Announcements from Committee Members
  - a. GAC Zak:
    - i. Really appreciate everyone who came out to City Hall!
      - a. Was able to get an overview of City Government, its duties, impact on the University, and future opportunities for students.
      - b. Had a discussion with GreenWorks Orlando to be more informed on some of the cities environmental priorities.
      - c. Did a building-city-activity with Legos
      - d. City Council Meeting where Gap Resolution was presented
      - e. Will have a table at debate with Supervisor of Elections; will provide resources such as updating voter registration.
      - f. Was pleased with the amount of students in attendance- doesn't see the need to change the amount of individuals attending in the future.
      - g. Friant: Is there any intention that there will be a DACH every semester?
        - a. Citizens had the opportunity to vote On 14 ballot initiatives; one of the initiatives was to move the Florida Legislative Session and committee meetings would start about 3 months prior to beginning of session
        - b. Amendment makes Florida Legislature to be mandatory to begin in January and thus, DATC will al be held in the fall
    - ii. GAP committee was instrumental in drafting resolution to council; in turn, they gave a proclamation to GAP!
    - iii. Some initiatives that I would like to see changed
      - a. Roundtable discussions
      - b. Include Knightro Suits Program- service offered by KnightsPantry
      - c. Offer District Map to inform students the scope of the city
    - iv. Please make every effort to be in attendance at Info Session
    - v. Please know the difference in rules and duties between state and federal representatives; DATC is focused on state duties and polices and are significantly different to that on the federal level
      - a. Galloway: Will you stress the differences during the info session?
      - b. Myers: Yes, absolutely.
    - vi. DPT Davis: Committee Times will be posted attentively on Site
    - vii. Make sure to be financially trained before Thursday!
    - viii: If you weren't in attendance during retreat, I will have to give you a brief info session
    - viii: Applications as of now, are not closed for ELA; Speaker wanted to see more applicants
      - a. Still have interviews lined up for deputies and will be decided later on.
    - x. LJR REP: Please send in your blanket excuses if you had missed the first senate meeting or

retreat!

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- a. Have 10 days to submit blanket excuse to LJR Chair

## Announcements from Non-Committee Members

### b. Tuley:

- a. Welcome to Senate New Senators, I'm the Attorney General
- b. My role is essentially compliance and accountability; if there's ever an issue with statues you are always welcome to come to my office.
- c. Big congrats to GAP Chair Friant, LJR Chair Custis, and CRT Chair Orphali!
- d. If you put in the effort, this will be a rewarding experience!
- e. At city council, I asked if affordability programs that pertain to housing and security were set in place and response is that there are various resources for downtown students.
- f. Transit-oriented building that enables for lower income individuals be able to access transportation to all parts of the city.
- g. Out of 144 total units being constructed, as of now, only 10 units will be accessible for individuals who fall below under the poverty line; debate to increase the amount of units for low-income individuals in which after further discussion will be looked into.
- h. Great to see that city is enacting positive change to increase affordable housing and other pertinent issues.
- i. Please feel free to stop by my office if you ever need anything!

## 8. Old Business

- a. Debate Questions
  - i. Questions need to be related to both parties.
- b. Move to informal
  - i. Discussions and decisions on debate questions that will be asked for the debate on October 30th.
    1. At least twelve questions.
  - ii. Rephrased and edited questions for best reading and understanding on debate floor.
    - Move back to formal
  - iii. Total fourteen questions
  - iv. Vote: 7-0-0

## 9. New Business

- a. Committee Time
  - i. <https://www.when2meet.com/?8288179-WUJHX>
  - ii. Meeting time to be determined
- b. Newsletter - Level Assignments (local, state, and federal)

*Updates/Articles of Interest for the Newsletter - Level Assignments*

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Local	State	Federal
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Galloway</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hyman</li> <li>Slaughter</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tufo</li> <li>Vancura</li> </ul>

## 10. Member Discussion

- a. None

## 11. Miscellaneous Business

- a. Vice Chair Elections

- i. Nominations: Senator Galloway and Senator Slaughter

1. 2 minute speeches, unlimited questioning, unlimited debate
2. Candidate 1: Galloway

- a. Was appointed during the summer of last session; was also apart of SGLC
- b. During time in SGLC, GAP was the one that interested her the most and loved meeting with Jannet Owens during her time with committee

3. Candidate 2: Slaughter

- a. 3 Reasons of why I should be VC:
- b. Efficiency; has planned 5 different events with his fraternity and had high turnouts
- c. Longevity:
- d. Dedication: Just got elected but is ambitious and believes that action is best to show

- ii. Questioning:

- a. Davis: What adjective would you describe this committee?
  - i. Slaughter: Facilitator; Being able to help everyone and be the best they can be
  - ii. Galloway: Dedication: Have a significant impact on the student body based on the legislation that we pass and the agenda that we conduct during committee
- b. Orphali: What are your initiatives that you would like to see in GAP?
  1. Galloway: Really enjoyed the newsletter that we continued last session and would like to continue and improve it this year. Try to push it on to social media and get more students aware of what we do as a committee

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2. Slaughter: Really overwhelmed with the layout of how drive and would like to organize it to be more easy to the eye. Would also like to advocate for various speakers within the committee and would like to build it.
  - c. Friant: What are some of your responsibilities outside of GAP
    1. Slaughter: Very involved with his fraternity and has done a lot of things. But is willing to sacrifice time to senate meetings
    2. Galloway: Has worked with Sports-Science Internship, Member of National Collegiate Scholars and conducted an invent to disadvantaged students in the public school district and shown them around the campus to incentivize some of the attending. A member of sorority and is on Philanthropy Committee
  - d. Friant: How would your Greek Affiliation may be an advantage to Civic Outreach in the Greek Community?
    1. Galloway: Able to send links in regards to GAP survey Very important to have these connections in order to get matters in GAP in discussions or advocated
    2. Slaughter: Was involved in March for Lives Campaign and realized with Greek Life the sense of Security and having people there with them; this in a sense, ties into politics. There can be more communication and outreach down and would like to get more people involved.
- iii. Debate:
- a. Orphali: Galloway has done a lot within her time in GAP; you can tell she is passionate in what she does and has more experience within the committee
  - b. Davis: Overall, Senator Galloway is the best fit for this position.
  - c. Myers: Will have to echo the same sentiments; very impressed with Chris but believes
  - d. Custis: Will be abstaining
- iiii. Vote:
- a. 6-3-1 Congrats to Senator Galloway for being the new Vice Chair of GAP!!

## 12. Final Roll Call

Adjournment- 8:03 p.m.

### Key:

P - Present  
A - Absent  
E - Excused

MTD - Move to debate  
MTV - Move to vote  
MTA- Move to amend

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PP - Postpone

PPI - Postpone indefinitely  
GC - general consent

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