

# University of Central Florida Student Government Association



Legislative, Judicial, and Rules Committee (LJR)  
 Student Government Association  
 University of Central Florida

UCF Student Union – Senate Workroom  
 Thursday November 14, 2019  
 4:30 PM

## MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 4:30 P.M.
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 11/13

<u>Name</u>	<u>E-Mail</u>	<u>Initial</u>	<u>Final</u>
<b>Chair Emma Custis</b>	<b>sga_ljr@ucf.edu</b>	P	P
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Chair Brandow	sga_ba3@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator DiGiacomo	sgacie1@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Goicoechea	sganscm3@ucf.edu	P	P
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Senator Milgram	sga_sci6@ucf.edu	A	A
Senator Oquendo-Beltran	sga_cah3@ucf.edu	P	P
Vice Chair Regan	sgachps5@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Rembaum	sga_ba6@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Rutledge	sgaecs9@ucf.edu	P	P
Pro Tempore Representative	Sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	P
Attorney General	Sga_ag@ucf.edu	A	A

3. Approval of the Minutes: 11/07/19; Approved GC

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4. Approval of the Agenda: 11/14/19; Approved GC
5. Announcements from the Chair:
  - a. LJR bonding??
    - i. Ikea?
    - ii. Nearest Ikea is the Mall at Millenia. We can figure out carpooling details.
  - b. Class schedules
    - i. Whenever you get your class schedules, please forward them to Chair Custis or bring them to the next meeting so we can discuss when we will meet next semester. I don't think everyone wants to meet on Thursdays at 4:30pm. I can send out a When2Meet so please put when you can meet and not when you want to meet.
6. Announcements from the Vice Chair:
7. Announcements from Committee Members:
  - a. E&A Rep:
    - i. We appointed Emma Trittin for Assistant Supervisor of Elections and she will be seen at the Senate meeting this evening.
    - ii. We heard and adopted internal Bill 52-01 on Title VI and you should also be hearing about this at the Senate meeting tonight.
  - b. SBA Rep:
    - i. PPI'd a resolution
    - ii. Tabling on November 15th, 10am-3pm at the Downtown Campus
    - iii. Concert band on Sunday at 7pm at the Visual Arts Auditorium. Vice Chair Desai will be performing.
    - iv. Tom Hope came to speak and took questions about the ongoing presidential search.
    - v. Spokesman from parking and transportation spoke today and took questions.
  - c. GAP Rep:
    - i. Committee voted in favor of pursuing an anonymous survey for student athletes and their opinions on this potential legislation passing to make profit off of their image.
      1. We anticipate issues from the athletic program and compliance as they would like to keep those issues nameless as these are up and coming in the state of Florida.
    - ii. Anticipate seeing a newsletter from GAP this weekend
8. Announcements from the Pro-Temp:
  - a. Mentor and mentees will be out tonight by DPT Adrian. One-on-ones are being scheduled.
  - b. We are only allowing 2 committees to meet per day in the spring semester. It will be first come, first served. It's straining on the Pro-Temps office when we have everybody on a committee at the same time.
  - c. Pushing to get out of senate at 9pm tonight
9. Announcements from the Attorney General:
10. Announcements from Non-Committee Members:
  - a. Senator Hyman: I might be joining LJR so Chair Custis doesn't have to be SBA rep.
11. Old Business:
  - a. Bills

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- b. Resolutions
- c. Absences
  - i. Senator Morris (Full Absence 10/24, PP'd November 7th: 8-0-0)
    - 1. Sent in flight information stating that he was in Korea. He returned the 26th.
    - 2. On his class schedule it says "leave for Korea" for this class.
    - 3. MTD
      - a. Vice Chair Oquendo-Beltran: Let's approve this. Honestly, I am going to ask him what class this is for. This sounds awesome!
    - 4. MTV
      - a. 9-0-0; Absence expunged
  - d. Blanket Excuses
- 12. New Business:
  - a. Bills
  - b. Resolutions
  - c. Absences
    - i. Rotem Raz (Full Absence, 10/31/2019)
      - 1. Says she had a statistics test on November 1st so she didn't attend the meeting so she could study.
      - 2. They meet on Fridays 9:30am-10:30am
      - 3. MTD
        - a. Vice Chair Oquendo-Beltran: I urge everyone to vote in favor of this. 9:30am is pretty early for me, especially when it comes to math, doing math really early is a pain.
        - b. Senator Rutledge: I urge everyone to vote against this expungement. 9:30am is hard with times because you don't want to have a hard limit depending on the class. We haven't had a late meeting besides our first meeting of this session.
        - c. Vice Chair Regan: I urge everyone to vote against this. Personally I am here every Friday for an 8am meeting and I have class at 10:30am and I have taken quizzes and tests in that class and done perfectly fine. Study ahead.
        - d. Senator DiGiacomo: I think I would have been in favor of a half absence. But, I don't fully approve of a full absence and I urge us to speak more on that if need to be or to vote.
      - 4. MTV
        - a. 2-6-1; Absence not expunged
    - ii. Richard Hyman (Full Absence, 11/14/2019)
      - 1. I told my work that I can't work Thursdays, but they still scheduled me and this is the only day I get to work this week. So if I don't go I don't get paid this week to pay my bills.
      - 2. Brought a copy of schedule. I asked if could work my usual shift and they said no.

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3. MTD
  - a. Senator Goicoechea: I can attest to the same situation. This happened to me a week or two ago when my job scheduled me, even though I told them my availability is different and they scheduled me anyways. He has the proof right here so I am going to vote to approve this.
  - b. Vice Chair Oquendo-Beltran: Like I debated for Senator Goicoechea, I will root for Senator Hyman, without work you can't pay the bills.
4. MTV
  - a. 8-0-0; Absence expunged
- iii. Mohammed Albar (Full Absence, 11/14/2019)
  1. Has a blanket excuse but is asking for the full meeting absence
  2. Has a test on the 14th so he will be tired and has another exam on the 15th
  3. MTD
    - a. Vice Chair Regan: This is exactly what you have 2 absences for.
    - b. Senator Rutledge: I'm not sure what tired from a test means, we are all pretty tired in general.
      - i. Non-Committee Member Chair Correa-Ferro: Mohammed is also in my committee and he also has a brand new baby, so if he's tired is because he is a brand new dad as well.
    - c. Senator Bonaduce: I will be voting in favor of expunging this absence. He has an 8:30am class and he has a kid who probably keeps him up all night.
  4. MTV
    - a. 8-1-2; Absence is Expunged
- iv. Benjamin Rembaum (Full Absence, 11/07/2019)
  1. Last senate meeting I was invited to a gala in Maitland. It was for the Jewish community, a men's club type event. The host asked that all those in attendance stay the whole time.
  2. Started at 5:30pm and ended around 9:30pm
  3. I came back at 10:15pm and checked the senate drive and saw that the meeting was adjourned so I missed final roll call.
  4. MTD
    - a. Vice Chair Regan: I like the event, but I still think this is something you have two absences for and I will be voting against it.
    - b. Senator Rutledge: I am going to take the same stance as Regan. Obviously this is a good event and I am glad that you went but, as far as out senatorial duties, this seems more like a social thing that was good for you to go to but it wasn't a duty you had to fulfill.
    - c. Non-Committee Member: Several companies pay for you to further your degree and education because you become a greater asset. If this event encompasses an aspect in which he can be a better individual I think he will be a greater asset to the organization.

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- d. Chair Custis: Ben when did you know you were going to be attending this? Was it before you were elected to senate?
    - i. Senator Rembaum: I knew this event was going to be happening. I didn't know when this event was going to be happening. I believe I was elected the senate and then I found out the exact date for it.
  - e. Pro-Tempore Davis: To clarify, but you knew the event was going to be happening before you got elected.
    - i. Senator Rembaum: They have this event every year, I was invited to go last year as well.
    - ii. Pro-Tempore Davis: You knew you were going to be going to this event, before you got elected to senate you just didn't know when it was.
    - iii. Senator Rembaum: Yes essentially.
  - f. Senator Bonaduce: His intent was to attend the later half of the senate meeting. Like he said he checked the senate drive and he wasn't going to come. He's clearly making an effort to be a senator and do these senatorial duties and I will be voting in favor of expunging this.
  - g. Pro-Tempore Davis: I am going to second that. I think the benefit to Ben was incredibly beneficial. Not to mention, he knew that he was going to attend this event, not sure when it was but he knew he was going before he got elected. I would encourage you all to expunge this absence.
5. MTV
    - a. 7-3-2; Absence expunged
  - v. Kelly Lopez (Full Absence, 11/14/2019)
    1. I will be attending an induction ceremony for Phi Alpha Delta, the Pre-Law Fraternity here at UCF. I knew about this before I became a senator, I joined the organization before I became a senator.
    2. I showed documentation that the fraternity posted on their social media. It starts at 6:30pm and it's 25 minutes away from campus. I'm not sure how long the ceremony will last.
    3. Pro-Tempore Davis: What is Phi Alpha Delta?
      - a. Vice Chair Lopez: Phi Alpha Delta is the Pre-Law Fraternity here at UCF.
    4. Senator Rutledge: Are you looking for a full expungement or just half?
      - a. Vice Chair Lopez: Full. Just because I don't know when it is going to end. Also, I actually have a flight tomorrow morning at 7am, I have to be there by 5am. I have flight information if you need that as well.
  5. MTD
    - a. Senator DiGiacomo: I urge everyone to vote highly in favor of excusing this. As a former member of Phi Alpha Delta, which is a national Pre-Law Fraternity, it is incredible for networking purposes for all students

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getting involved in any legal capacity. I think it is an incredible opportunity. Congratulations!

6. MTV

- a. 10-0-1; Absence expunged

d. Blanket Excuses

12. Member Discussion

A. Senate Rule Review Discussion

a. Senate Rule 1

- i. Vice Chair Lopez: Ad Hoc Committees 1.01(D)(1). The section does not mention anything about Vice Chairs and their ability to debate but not have voting privileges in the executive committee even though the section before 1.01(C)(2), states that Ad Hoc Committee Chairs do have that ability. They forgot 1.01(D)(2).
- ii. Pro-Tempore Davis: Impeachments need major re-work. So at some point you all should tackle that in detail.

b. Senate Rule 2

- i. Some technicals. Needs some cleaning up.

c. Senate Rule 3

- i. Senator Rembaum: Senate Rule 3.01(B) says “The Chair or the Student Body Senate, by majority vote, may order the Senate Chamber to be cleared of disruptive individuals who are interfering with the orderly transaction of business.” I don’t believe this necessarily needs to be a vote. I believe that it should be up to the Senate President and the Sergeant-at-Arms to remove an individual if they are being disrespectful and that it doesn’t have to go to a vote to the floor.
- ii. Move to go Informal
1. It does say the chair or the student body senate but it will still need a majority vote. Committee voiced their thoughts that this concern does not need to be changed.
  2. Pro-Tempore Davis: Add senior and junior Sergeant-at-Arms and should possibly be confirmed by the senate. I think it is a good idea to legislate that because it just says Sergeant-at-arms and you can interpret that as singular or plural.
    - a. Chair Brandow: I also don’t like writing in ‘junior’ and ‘senior’ because this is the first two sessions we have done that. I think we get into the habit of over legislating and then we run into issues because we over legislate.
    - b. Pro-Tempore Davis: What if we just write it as ‘Sergeant(s)-at-Arms’? So we are not legislating that you have to appoint multiple, you can only appoint one but that gives them the ability to appoint multiple.
    - c. Chair Custis: If you do that then you could just appoint anybody.

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- d. Senator Rutledge: I think that this should be at the discretion of the speaker.
  - e. Pro-Tempore Davis: Then what if it is ‘Sergeants-at-Arms (limited to)’? I think it’s a good idea that we have multiple. Right now it doesn’t give the ability to do it.
  - f. Vice Chair Oquendo-Beltran: Last spring and summer having Senator O’Blenis as Sergeant-at-Arms was pretty helpful to Robert’s Rules of Order on the floor.
  - g. Vice Chair Regan: I think it is a matter of who is in the body at the time. Naturally some people are going to be more vocal when things are getting out of control.
- iii. Move to return to Formal
  - d. Senate Rule 4
    - i. Technicals
13. Miscellaneous Business
- 1. SBA Rep Elections:
    - a. Nominations
      - i. Custis; Accepted
      - ii. Rembaum; Declined
      - iii. Lopez; Declined
      - iv. Regan; Declined
      - v. Cory; Declined
      - vi. Bonaduce; Declined
      - vii. Brandow; Declined
    - b. Chair Custis: I am the only one nominated.
    - c. MTD
    - d. MTV
      - i. 9-0-1
    - e. Chair Custis is the new SBA Rep!
14. Final Roll Call: 12/13
15. Adjournment: 5:18PM

## 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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