



Student Body Advocacy
UCF Student Government Senate



Wednesday, May 27th, 2020 at 3:30 PM
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MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order - 3:33 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum - 8/10

Name	E-Mail	Initial	Final
1. Chair Desai	sgasba@ucf.edu	P	P
2. Vice Chair Slaughter	sgacie4@ucf.edu	P	P
3. Senator Akhmetov	sga_ecs1@ucf.edu	P	P
4. Senator O'Brien	sga_grst4@ucf.edu	P	P
5. Senator Gorlin-Tarbel	sga_hm2@ucf.edu	P	P
6. Senator Moore	sga_sci3@ucf.edu	P	P
7. Senator Acosta	sga_grst5@ucf.edu	A	A
8. Senator Leon	sga_ugst1@ucf.edu	A	A
9. Pro Tempore Rep.	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	E
10. LJR Rep.	sgacreol1@ucf.edu	P	E

3. Approval of the Minutes - Approved by GC
4. Approval of the Agenda - Approved by GC
5. Open Forum -
 - o Tom Hope
 - o President La Rosa and VP Blanco

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- Safety and Transportation Coordinator Alexandra Fabregas

6. Announcements from the Chair -

- Good Afternoon everyone!
 - I would first like to thank everyone for coming out
 - I will try to run my committee more efficiently, I would also like everyone to know, if you need me to do anything, please tell me. I do not want to hear stuff being talked around. I want my committee to do as much as we can. Just tell me what you all need from me.
 - Over the course of the Summer, I will be creating new templates for our committee for us to use. I want to make sure that as we go along that we continuously move forward and make progress
 - Please let me know of recommendations you may have for our committee by DM after today's meeting. I will definitely do as much as I can.
 - We have 2 resolutions to go through today
 - We will be reviewing the SBA COVID-19 Survey
 - We will be reviewing the transportation access fee in member discussion.
 - We will hopefully have new guest speakers in the next few weeks, Next up on this list we have Mr. Rampersand coming in, date still to be set
 - Let's have a productive meeting

7. Announcements from the Vice Chair-

Hey everyone, yesterday me and vice chair Stephen Acosta had a meeting with DLeg St Pruix and went over a few projects we are interested in starting so I would like to potentially add these to our semester projects

1. Red Light on Right Box
2. The next step with Resolution passed by Ryan Regan regarding Syllabus Database.
3. October Zero waste month

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8. Announcements from Committee Members -

- Pro Temp - Diversity Training this Friday. Working on a Mentor-Mentee Program for this summer.

9. Announcements from Non-Committee Members -

- Blake Scott (Faculty Senate) - 3 ad-hoc committees have been formed to focus on COVID-19 related issues. 1) health and safety 2) budget and labor 3) internal communications. We are asking for a student representative to vote and have a say for recommendations being forwarded to administration.
- Tom Hope - Excited to see how the survey has changed. Plan for the return of campus has been submitted and approved but the data we find will still be valuable regardless.

10. Old Business

- ****Move for non-committee members to speak while discussing the COVID-19 Survey****
- Semester projects
 - COVID-19 Survey
 - The Goal is for this Thursday for it to be posted all around UCF. Talked with social media coordinator to post the survey.
 - http://ucf.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bfKpOgShKXxRGpD

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- Carolyn Massiah – For the first page of gathering information, there's no option for transfer students asking will this be your first year on campus.
 - When doing demographics about senior standing it's also important to distinguish when they will be graduating because this will reflect some of their response answers.
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- With the questions asking about “which ucf campus are you a part of” to “Which campus do you attend where you take classes”.
 - O blenis - Should we also add graduate students and each year.
 - Carolyn - Yes.
 - Brodie - there's also different doctorate programs not everyone is trying to get a PhD so it might come down to semantics
 - Off campus - should distinguish: On campus housing, off campus UCF housing, off campus housing with friends, off campus living with family,
 - If UCF continues with fall learning online, what are your plans?
 - stay at UCF = take classes with UCF with a full-time load or not taking a full class load.
Are they interested in taking classes at a local university? take a break from classes?
Delay Graduation keep in.
 - Are you currently facing a financial hardship? let's get out of that yes or no, instead let's ask “Compared to before covid-19 have you experienced hardships in 1) paying for housing 2) paying for monthly bills not including housing 3) tuition 4) books and fees 5) food 6) educational resources i.e. wifi, computer.
 - Alexandra Fabregas - loss or decrease of employment.
 - Brodie - I also think adding links of unemployment or housing supplemental links.
 - Blake Scott - I also heard students conveying sharing space and care taking for other members within the household.
 - are you or someone that you live with deemed in a high-risk category or around young children?
 - O'blenis - should we ask to have you or someone in person been diagnosed with COVID019.
 - Carolyn Massiah - we cannot ask those types of questions even though it's anonymous we shouldn't ask that.
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- Carolyn Massiah - changing the question for "has your academic performance been better or worse."

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- Carolyn - instead of how the university has done, split it up into sections. Course delivery, Communications,
- Ayan - with ranking 1-5 on how university has responded is there a recommendation
- Carolyn - set 3 as normal as a base reference.
- Blake Scott- instead of what you would like to see - ask what you are most comfortable with speaking to personal preference or what the university should do. Maybe we should distinguish the 2.
- Carolyn - what options would you like to see available and only allow one selection for which they most prefer to see
- Slaughter - We can correlate the two points if each person taking the survey selects their college and if the personal preferences show they enjoy mix mode or online we can prioritize the survey base.
- Scott- if we want to go into details can you add hybrid (Half face to face half online)
- Gorlin-Tarbell - we can also add outdoor classes because those have been recommended.
- Carolyn - Students have options for PPE but not Professors. Also, the CDC recommends markings within classrooms we should see how much of a priority that is for students.
- Blake Scott- how do we prevent traffic when classes are released there's a bunching on campus.
- Carolyn - 2 questions. Reasons you would not be able to attend face to face classes. I am at high risk, i live with someone at high risk, i am anxious to attend classes. My parents are anxious or worried. I will not be able to afford it.

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- Reasons you would not want to attend online classes. perceived less interaction between professors. Perceived less interaction between other students. Not able to afford a computer, perceived less motivation, and other.
 - Brodie: If masks were not required for everyone would you not attend. Again, going for the correlation.
- Blake Scott - are you going to ask about testing, tracing, and isolation. The only problem I'm afraid of is needing an explanation.
- Slaughter- if testing is provided and there is a sudden common cold on campus in the middle of the semester the administration has thought of how we would react to an outbreak.
- Carolyn - Maybe including a question - Close campus completely again, continue with no changes besides quarantine.
- Desai - Should we include keeping campus open.
- Slaughter - I agree my biggest concern is if someone in Neptune has it should we keep going.
- Brodie - I don't know if we should ask this because it might be out of our control with the government.
- Carolyn - We should ask these questions to get the motive for students.
- What would make people feel safe at the gym - consistently cleaning equipment, temperature checks, or would you recommend keeping it open.

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- Fabregas - campus safety and covid are too similar I would reword
- Brodie - It's important to note it's what SG wants to work on not UCF

Closing statements

- Ayan - we are looking to get data by June 10th
 - Slaughter - do we have a goal for how many students we want to take this survey
 - Ayan - we are looking to reach out to as many people as possible
 - Carolyn Massiah - Who will be reviewing this data, I would be happy to help reviewing it.
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- Blake Scott - We are looking for representation for teaching in the fall, non-classroom learning spaces, and online learning.
 - Grocery Shuttle
 - None
 - Shuttle Frequency
 - None
 - ***Move to go back Formal***
 - ***Yields the Chair to Vice Chair Slaughter***
 - Resolution 52-32 Resolution in Favor of getting Proper Lighting for the Troy Driggers
 - 1-minute reading time
 - 2 minutes explanation from author:
 - Nothing much more to say. Emailed RWC and in contact, discussing this.
Planning on a zoom meeting in a week. Passing this resolution will help contact more people and boost credibility, even though there has been hesitance from fellow committee members. Wants to recognize Marching Knights concerns.
 - Questioning
 - Motion for non-committee member to speak GC
 - Fabregas: Work with Chair Desai to contribute from the Executive Branch.
Extend contacts.
 - Desai: Schedule meeting with Fabregas to work better with Exec. Discusses poor lighting on the field at night.
 - Fabregas: Marching Knights wants to be better represented, wants to improve on that.
 - MTD: GC
 - Debate

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- Desai: Please vote in favor in this. One of the main reasons why he got involved in the Senate, hopes it can be seen on the floor.
- Gorlin-Tarbell: Echos Chair Desai. Has been working on this for months.
- Slaughter: Good intentions, but there isn't an estimate. Feels that all questions haven't been answered. Concerned on how this will go on the floor. Wants more debate from committee members.
- Desai: Proper lighting is a light pole instead of a few generators. If there was a ballpark, it doesn't make sense to do that. This is costly and UCF may not be on board with it given the cost. Can cost a hundred thousand dollars.
- O'Brien: Understands both sides. Wording isn't as detailed and doesn't show price points. Needs to go to the senate floor to see how it goes. It's costly, and doesn't want resolution to get lost in the midst of COVID-19 concerns. Will be voting in favor to see how the Senate floor sees it. It's costly, especially given the current economy. Florida isn't generating as much revenue. *yields to Fabregas*
- Fabregas: Rodney is on the phone.
- Graham: Sees need, but \$300,000 cost is a huge concern. Wants to work with SG to find a more affordable solution
- Slaughter: Motion
- Desai: Objects. Dr. Keiser was in contact to get outside donors to fund this lighting. Wants SG to try even if it's knocked down by UCF admin. Point is that we at least tried. Isn't a perfect resolution. MTV
- Gorlin-Tarbell: Objects. Are there any amendments?
- Desai: None, MTV.

■ Vote Count: 5-0-0, passed favorably.

- Resolution 52-33 Resolution to Urge UCF to become a True Smoke and Vape Free Campus
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- 1 minute reading time
- 2 minutes author's speech
 - Took considerations from the last meeting. Understand concerns about full blown policy. If you do this, have a campaign and not a policy. Change to promote a new campaign, not a policy. Most whereas clauses are the same. New be it further resolved clauses, especially covering new awareness campaigns. Not many students are well informed of these policies. If passed, will be sent at an appropriate time, like transition back on campus.
- Questioning
 - Motion for non-committee member to speak: GC
 - Roehrig: Was recently appointed Coordinator of Sustainability and Innovation. Are you aware of the previous campaign?
 - Desai: Smoke free campaign in 2012. Pretty successful. Create a new campaign to include vaping under this campaign. Outlined in Golden Rule, but many students are vaping. Issue for students with respiratory issues, originally to create policy and punishment, but the committee doesn't like that. Took it to the second direction of promotion. UCF should put heavy emphasis on vaping since it violates the Golden Rule. Time to step up, it even happens in the SG office.
 - Roehrig: In resolution, what would the campaign have to make it effective?
 - Desai: Orientation should cover more in-depth on that topic.
 - Slaughter: Vaping hasn't been covered as much.
 - Roehrig: How will the campaign be executed?
 - Desai: Wants to work with SDES to execute campaign, course syllabus, flyers, whenever students return to campus. Many students don't realize vaping

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violates the Golden Rule. Not the best game plan, but will work on this more whenever this resolution will be seen next.

- Roehrig: Move to informal
- Desai: Objects. Committee member must say that.
- ***Desai: Move to informal: GC***
- Graham: If this is a campaign, this should not be in resolution form. How do you feel about working on campaign with SG?
- Desai: Doesn't mind doing that. Pass this resolution to have SDES get on board. Resolution would help with formality. Can postpone and collaborate with others in SG.
- Roehrig: Wants to expand upon that, especially off-campus. Utilize resources at UCF to quit nicotine addictions. Trying to regulate smoke-free campus is hard enough.
- Desai: Trying to create a campaign to have a better lifestyle on and off campus. Wants to help with that initiative. Can create a joint committee to help people and campaign for smoke free campus, increase awareness of services. Can postpone getting things more in line.
- ***O'Blennis: Move to go back to formal: GC***
- Desai: Move to postpone Resolution 52-33: GC

■ Debate

■ Vote Count

- 6-0-0, postponed, passed favorably.

- ***Yields the Chair back to Chair Desai***
- Concern Forms

■ Updates from the previous week

- O'blennis -emailed CCIE Office to get the information
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- Slaughter- not received anything back
- Natalia - not present

11. New Business

- Resolutions
 - None
- New Semester projects
 - Ad-Hoc committee for Covid-19 discussions with Sabrina and Stephanie.
- Concern Forms
 - 5/27 Concern Forms

		Chair Desai
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- Chair Desai- "I have already responded to the student, we had a good conversation about what is happening with the money. I said I completely sympathized with him, because I do." One thing I will say is I am now concerned UCF did not waive the Transportation Access Fee" We will discuss this in member discussion today.

12. Member Discussion

- Transportation Access Fee
 - When I was looking at the review file the Student sent to us, the Transportation Fee was still on the Fee's list. An Email was sent to a student on 4/24 saying that UCF will be waiving this fee. I would like to hear everyone's thoughts on how we should go about this.
 - Ayan - this fee is only specific for grad students. O'blennis what do you think we should do?

13. Miscellaneous Business

- N/A

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14. Final Roll Call - 5/10

15. Adjournment - 6:17pm

Key:

P - Present

A - Absent

R - Resigned

E - Empty

MTD - Move to debate

MTV - Move to vote

MTA- Move to amend

PP - Postpone

PPI - Postpone indefinitely

GC - general consent

EMP- Empty



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