



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

UCF Student Government
Elections & Appointments (E&A) Meeting
Virtual
Tuesday, May 18th, 2021
5:00 PM

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MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 5:02
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 12/14

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Moscol	sga_ea@ucf.edu	P	P
Vice-Chair Layman-Williams	sgaec6@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Calvert	sganscm4@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Gonzalez	sgachps1@ucf.edu	P	A
Senator Greenaway	sganscm1@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Huerta	sganscm2@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Jacobs	sga_sci1@ucf.edu	A(5:19)	P
Senator Jones	sgachps2@ucf.edu	A	A
Senator Kehoe	sga_cah2@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Mittan	sga_ba1@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Novack	sga_sci8@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Ulysse	sgamed3@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Power	sga_sci4@ucf.edu	P	P
Pro Tempore Representative	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	P

3. Approval of the Minutes: Approved by GC
4. Approval of the Agenda: Approved by GC
5. Announcements from the Chair-
 - a. Attendance policy

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- i. Make sure you are here every meeting
 - ii. Send a text before 24 hours before but not strict about time
 - iii. Two absences you are out of the committee
 - b. Overview of how confirmations work
 - i. Explaining questioning
6. Announcements from the Vice Chair-
 - a. Write down questions with your name before questioning
7. Announcements from Committee Members-
 - a. Bonefont: RSO's will be assigned
 - i. Quorum is important, it is important when it comes to voting especially in this committee + let chair know ahead of time
8. Announcements from Non-Committee Members-
 - a. Anunobi: be prepared and read emails sent out, reach out if there are any questions
9. Old Business-
 - a. N/A
10. New Business-
 - a. Confirmations
 - i. Trevor Sheridan CAH 3 - Postponed to next meeting
 - ii. Nicolas Aixala COBA 7
 1. Speech: I am currently a junior in college of business administration with aspirations to law school. I want to give students easier access to voice opinions for COBA, classes, teachers, and overall concerns. I want to encourage others to stay safe even with masks becoming optional. Another initiative is to allocate money to RSO's to make them safer by purchasing equipment such as gloves, masks, and hand sanitizer to allow for more in person events. Have more meetings with college (students or senators), in order to improve the college and the campus. Raise the amount of opportunities to make the Senate increase student input. Modify scheduling appointments with advisors for students by creating set schedules in the beginning of the semester.
 2. Questioning:
 - a. Moscol: What initiative are you most excited about?

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- i. Answer: Allocating money to the RSO's + keep the college experience around + limit the amount of COVID-19 cases once school reopens
 - b. Calvert: What is something you've seen from SG that you would like to change or improve?
 - i. Answer: Efficient + Grocery Shuttles, Rosen, and downtown + nothing bad so far
 - c. Power: If a RSO requested funding that followed UCF Covid guidelines, as in not going to have distancing or masking, would you still vote in approval of that funding?
 - i. Answer: Up to RSO + will not force but provide mask for people who want to wear them + hand sanitizer around
 - d. Ulysse: What previous positions have you held that you believe will help you thrive in this position?
 - i. Answer: Worked at an assistant at a consulting firm + worked with relationship between partners
 - e. Huerta: Describe yourself in five words.
 - i. Answer: energetic, adventurous, funny, outgoing, hardworking
3. Debate:
 - a. Huerta: in favor + likes how he give RSO's a chance by providing different resources
 - b. Calvert: in favor + specific ideas + work well with senators because he's energetic and hardworking
 - c. Kehoe: in favor + pointed out that covid is still impacting students + aware of student government and officials + hard working
 - d. Greenway: in favor + good ideas with changes
4. Vote Count: 10-0-0
- iii. Jonathan Yaari COS 6
 1. Speech: I am a 3rd year biology student and a transfer student. I like sports and the outdoors. I noticed that it is hard to form relationships with professors, especially online. Some ideas I have are events called pancakes with professors and donuts with dean. This allows

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students to meet professors and deans outside of the classroom. I think that UCF should allow students to check out expensive lab equipment to conduct research experiments for off-campus research. The college should implement more conservatism and have cultural fairs to promote. The campus should focus on mental health by promoting services and fixing the financial aid process.

2. Questioning:

- a. Huerta: If you had a magic wand, what would you fix at UCF?
 - i. Answer: see more inclusion and diversity + use memory mall for cultural fairs with booths
- b. Calvert: With this being the first round of senate appointments this session, what kept you from running in the general election in March?
 - i. Answer: busy schedule
- c. Huerta: Favorite UCF experience!!
 - i. Answer: first time in bounce house + seeing everyone having fun was thrilling
- d. Moscol: What initiative are you most excited about?
 - i. Answer: relationships with professors + learn from them + something beyond office hours
- e. Jacobs: How would you describe your leadership style?
 - i. Answer: Lead by example + take initiative
- f. Kehoe: What prior experience(s) do you think qualifies you for this position?
 - i. Answer: greek life + managing huge events + 6 chairs underneath
- g. Bonefont: What are your anticipated commitments for the summer term and next academic year?
 - i. Answer: EMT school volunteer or part time + serve on exec board for fraternity

3. Debate:

- a. Kehoe: in favor + ELC together + love the initiatives especially professor one
- b. Heutra: in favor + worked with professionally + contribute a lot to senate

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- c. Calvert: in favor + worked with ELC + took time to give it all + experience with greek exec board so it goes hand to hand
- 4. Vote Count: 10-0-0
- iv. Samantha Ciresi COS 9 - Postponed to next meeting
- v. Joshua Gonzalez COS 10 - Postponed to next meeting
- vi. Julian Duque Grajales COS 11
 - 1. Speech: I am a political science and humans communications major. I ran in the March election but did not get a seat. I believe that SGA is essential because it reaches out to the student body and builds a bridge to the student body. My first initiative is to expand the amount for SGA scholarships for students and bring awareness of the scholarships. Also, creating smaller scholarships for transfer students by making them more accessible for example scholarships require a certain amount of credit hours from the previous semester at UCF. + This will help students finance smaller things such as textbooks. My second initiative involves transfer students which I am passionate about. I am the vice president of transfer knights and I want transfer students to know they have support in RSO's and the UCF community. I want to work on the creation of another transfer center by working higher officials and with Cheyenne.
 - 2. Questioning:
 - a. Huerta: What is the most important thing you think senators can do for the students?
 - i. Answer: group of students who support them + make education experience better with scholarships + engaging students perform better
 - b. Layman-Williams: What is your greatest weakness and how can SGA help fix that?
 - i. I think the most important part of knowing oneself is understanding what the weakness is. I take too many things at once, I believe I can do it all but I end up burning out. I learned to start taking time off for myself. I was proactive, and I think that is a strength of mine: being proactive and bettering my weakness.

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- c. Moscol: What previous leadership experience do you have and how has it prepared you for SG?
 - i. Answer: Involved with SG at Valencia + advocated for undocumented students and went to Tallahassee to work with them + want to join SBA and advocate for students + VP of Transfer Knights + work at office of student development at Valencia + create events and provide resources to create student leaders
 - d. Kehoe: How do you plan on pushing for the re-establishment of the UCF transfer center?
 - i. Answer: marked a space + reach out to Cheyenne and talk about opportunities + talk to transfer students and find out their needs + bring it up to administration
 - e. Power: You said it "might have been a good thing to get rid of the transfer center" but want to bring it back now. Could you elaborate on what you meant about it being a good thing.
 - i. Answer: Was not serving the role it was made to serve + did not have advisors + places for students to hang out + it was not well known by students and want to make more students aware of its existence
3. Debate:
- a. Calvert: in favor + worked with during the election troubles + had ideas + hard working and passionate especially with assigned RSO and smart + congratulated senators for winning
 - b. Bonefont: in favor + passionate about underrepresented populations
 - c. Huerta: in favor + major platform and help out underrepresented students on campus + want to listen to him no matter what + great personality + gave leadership book to Nicolson senators
 - d. Kehoe: in favor + outfit is appropriate + love what he's doing for Transfer Knights + seen drive and passion + did not get elected by still tried again
 - e. Greenaway: in favor + great + smartest, best speaker

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4. Vote Count: 9-0-0
- vii. Camila Reyes Rosen 3
 1. Speech: One of my goals is improving the student life at Rosen by implementing different food options. I want to achieve this by finding permanent vendors or food trucks. Many students on the campus have internships with locations near the campus, I want to help out by expanding the shuttle system to internship locations. I also want to create a game room and establish exercise groups with four trainers. I also want to advertise Rosen events on both campuses (main and downtown) and I want to expand the number of majors besides hospitality on Rosen. Another goal of mine is to improve professional panels by bringing young professionals to see short term life after college. I want to increase outreach by providing tabling and events. Also, I want to increase interactions between senators and students.
 2. Questioning:
 - a. Moscol: What has been your favorite experience at Rosen?
 - i. Answer: Online classes + connect more with professors because of their experiences
 - b. Huerta: describe yourself in 5 words
 - i. Answer: determined, supportive, caring, adventurous, creative
 - c. Kehoe: Do you have any additional ideas on how to bridge the gap between Rosen and the main campus?
 - i. Answer: There seems to be a lack of advertising towards other majors in the campus + making more visuals by emails and flyers
 - d. Calvert: Since the university has announced it will not switch to the opt-out program, how else will you work towards textbook affordability initiatives?
 - i. Answer: Encourage professors to consider other options + opt- in for cheaper version for example access codes + speak to professors to reconsider
 - e. Mittan: What past experiences do you have that will help you as a Senator?

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- i. Answer: kappa alpha theta, represented sorority, class board and student ... in high school
 - f. Jacobs: Can you describe a time you lead by example?
 - i. Answer: Getting other people involved beyond leadership + speaking with sisters directly to encourage more participations + being there and doing what you advocated
- 3. Debate:
 - a. Huerta: In favor, she has great experiences to help her in the Senate!
 - b. Layman-Williams: in favor + like your initiatives because it brings more people to the college
 - c. Greenaway: In favor, excellent initiatives, excited for her to be able to explore interests and work on improving things at Rosen through senate
- 4. Vote Count: 10-0-0
- 11. Member Discussion-
 - a. N/A
- 12. Miscellaneous Business-
 - a. GroupMe Icon
 - b. Bonefont: ask any questions concerning COVID-19
 - c. Moscol: I hereby resign Senator Jones from E&A
- 13. Final Roll Call: 13/14
- 14. Adjournment: 6:35 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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