



# LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS AND POLICY

UCF Student Government  
GAP Committee Meeting

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05/24/21  
5:00 PM

## MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 5:06 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 13/14

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LJR Representative	Vacant (Sitting LJR Chair)	P	P
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3. Approval of the Minutes: Approved by GC.
4. Approval of the Agenda: Approved by GC.
5. Open Forum:
6. Announcements from the Chair-
  - a. Hello y'all :),
  - b. Welcome our new committee members!
  - c. Random Sports Fact:
    - i. "Two days out of 365 days of the year feature no professional sports games (MLB, NBA, NHL, or NFL). The day before and the day after the MLB All-Star Break."
7. Announcements from the Vice Chair-
  - a. Hi Guys!
  - b. Environmental Fact:
    - i. Since the pandemic "renewable energy sources now account for over 21% of the USA's electricity use." This is great news as we start to move away from fossil fuels and into more sustainable practices.
8. Announcements from Committee Members-
  - a. DLeg Bonefont: There is a mentee program linked in last week's Senate minutes if you are interested. We are working on debate and legislation workshops, hopefully this month or in June. Dean meetings are also starting and if you have any questions reach out to DSR Magdadaro or myself.
  - b. Senator Duque: Could I ask if the mentor program is only for the senate or for any student?
  - c. DLeg Bonefont: Yes, only for the Senate. It is in DSR Magdadaro's announcements.

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- d. Chair Galloway: I recommend you attend the legislation workshop.
  - e. DLeg Bonefont: We will not be meeting as a committee on Memorial Day.
9. Announcements from Non-Committee Members-
- a. Brodie:
    - i. Next Monday is a holiday so we will not meet on Monday. If you would like to meet on another day let me know by tonight.
    - ii. Let me know if you are working any other time than the Senate time on Thursday since this is an early pay period.
10. Old Business-
- a. Meeting with Representative Smith
    - i. PP
  - b. Next meeting time:
    - i. Chair Galloway: If we are open to meet on a different day next week, let me know, Representative Smith can come in on a different day or we can push it back to next monday.
      - 1. Senator Spaulding: How will we know when to meet?
      - 2. Chair Galloway: I would rather have a full committee but it is up to you. I will send a when2meet.
      - 3. Senator Forbes: Next week I am very busy so switching to a different day in the week is challenging.
      - 4. Chair Galloway: All those in favor of meeting with Representative Smith the week following Memorial Day please put the green check mark.
      - 5. **By general consent, we will meet June 7th with Representative Smith.**
  - c. Please continue to keep up with forming initiatives and questions for the meeting.
    - i. If you have not yet researched the speaker and his legislation please do that as well.

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- d. Senator Duque: Is there a specific reason why those are the bills we will be discussing with the representatives?
  - e. Chair Galloway: Yes, those are the bills he has sponsored
11. New Business-
- a. None.
12. Member Discussion-
- a. None.
13. Miscellaneous Business-
- a. Senator Horowitz: Can I speak to Representative Smith about a sustainable energy project.
    - i. Chair Galloway: Yes, please message me anything you want to talk to him about and I will add it to the mini agenda we are making
  - b. Senator Duque: What is the main purpose with talking to the representative
    - i. Chair Galloway: Collaboration with the district offices and working one on one with them. The full purpose of this is increasing awareness of what we can do for our students outside the university and through legislature
      - 1. This is to expand communication and advocate for the student body outside of the university.
      - 2. This is our first meeting with a legislator.
  - c. Senator Duque: Is the plan to meet with other representatives in the future?
    - i. Chair Galloway: Yes
  - d. Senator Ciresi: Are there any other representatives scheduled yet?
    - i. Chair Galloway: That is the plan, but since they have been so busy not yet.
  - e. Senator Ciresi: Since Smith is big on mental health, this is a great opportunity to bring up ways to advocate for students with disabilities.
    - i. Chair Galloway: Message me specific points and I will put them on the agenda.
  - f. Chair Galloway: I am more than happy to help with anything
  - g. Senator Horowitz: Representative Eskamani is big with UCF collaboration

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- i. Chair Galloway: If you have any personal connection with her or any other person you would like to bring in, let me know I'd love to work on that.
  - 1. Inviting them to the committee is amazing
- ii. Senator Horowitz: I am interning in the sustainability office and can speak with Representative Mayor Buddy Dyer
- h. Senator McCluskie: Does it have to be representatives of Orlando only?
  - i. Chair Galloway: No, anyone
- i. Senator Duque: When do we write legislative priorities
  - i. Chair Galloway: We write them during fall. The Liaison has to do with staying up to date between GAP and the district office of representative Smith. We will start writing them some time soon, but actually researching will take place in the fall.
- j. Senator Ciresi: I had an idea of doing something with the Voting Rights anniversary in August to raise awareness about voting rights.
  - i. Chair Galloway: This is very beneficial. We will have to wait for the GAC to be appointed and go from there.
  - ii. Senator Ciresi: August 6th is the date.
  - iii. Brodie: That is the last day of finals, so that day may be challenging, but around that day is possible.
- k. Senator Hall: Regarding August 6th day, can we plan later in August beginning of fall semester?
- l. Chair Galloway: Depends on GAC and what the committee thinks
- m. Senator Duque: Also Women's Equality day is around there

14. Final Roll Call: /14

15. Adjournment: 6: PM

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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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