

**Fifty-Fifth Student Senate
6th Meeting Agenda
June 1st, 2023**

€ **Call to Order**

⌘ 6:02 PM

€ **Pledge of Allegiance**

€ **National Anthem**

€ **Roll Call and Verification of Quorum**

⌘ Quorum: 32/45

⌘ Present and Voting:

- Borges 6:30 PM
- DiChiara 6:31 PM
- Castillo 6:31 PM
- Larson 6:32 PM

€ **Approval of the Minutes** – [5/25/2023](#); Approved by GC

€ **Approval of the Agenda** – 6/1/2023; Approved by GC

€ **Open Forum**

- ⌘ KXR: HAs competed at many competitions and represented UCF for many years. Speaking concerns on SBA54-40. Reconsider the cuts to RSO funding and re-consider pulling funding elsewhere. Budget cuts are effecting the RSOs.
- ⌘ FPVKnights: Reconsider Senate bill 54-40. Cut is preventing RSO's from providing students what they expect from RSOs.
- ⌘ Robotics Club of Central Florida: Works to get students involved in robotics programs and robotics knowledge. Attend large competitions in Florida and Michigan. Had to cancel trip to Michigan due to funding. Years have gone into planning these trips and events. Club depends on this funding.
- ⌘ First Step: New RSO helping CECS freshmen students. CRT funding helps students attend conferences for the first time. Please reconsider options to further support students.
- ⌘ KnightHacks: Software development RSO with over 300 members. Holds a hack-a-thon once a year with 600+ students. Looking to send students to prestigious universities to gain wins for UCF. Reconsider the decision to cut RSO funding and help propel students experiences.
- ⌘ SHPE: RSO for Hispanic community in engineering. Provides scholarships, mentorships and internships to students. Over 30 members received internships last year. Financial support is pivotal to their program.
- ⌘ SAE Masters student expressing concerns over budget cuts. Many students want to come to UCF because of formula racing RSO's. Budget money is necessary to continue performing in competitions. Clubs bring in students which increases funding. Reconsider budget cuts.
- ⌘ UCF BAHA Racing team: Car is in Portland, Oregon and not everyone could go to help the team.

€ **Announcements from the Student Body President (Brandon Greenaway, sga_pres@ucf.edu)**

- ⌘ Happy Pride Month!
- ⌘ Meeting with Chris MacDonald regarding UCF Housing

€ **Announcements from the Student Body Vice President (Colby Smith, sga_vp@ucf.edu)**

- ⌘ Orientation participation, discussing SGLC, hit 20k followers on Instagram

€ **Comptroller's Report (Vacant, sga_comp@ucf.edu)**

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CRT Current Account Balance:	FAO Current Account Balance:
\$68,289.55	\$14,592.06
Reversion: 0.74%	Reversion: 0.78%

€ **Attorney General's Report (Madison Moore, sga_ag@ucf.edu)**

- ⌘ Revised numerical errors in Title V, Title X, and Title VIII
- ⌘ Opinion Request Form can be found on "Student Government Executive Branch" Knight Connect and link will be posted on the SG website

€ **Cabinet Forum**

- ⌘ None

● **Announcements from the Interim Chief Justice (Lisyibet Silva, sga_cjus@ucf.edu)**

- Associate Justice applications close tonight at 11:59 PM!

● **Announcements from the Supervisor of Elections (Vacant, sga_ec@ucf.edu)**

- ⌘ None

€ **Announcements from the Activity and Service Fee Committee Chair (Vacant, sga_asf@ucf.edu)**

- ⌘ None

€ **Announcements from the Scholarship Committee Chair (Vacant, sga_scholarship@ucf.edu)**

- ⌘ None

€ **Announcements from the Senate President (Sierra Holmes, sga_spkr@ucf.edu)**

- ⌘ Caucuses and Committees please send in your updated descriptions for the website at the end of the month.
- ⌘ Limited hours next week and out of office next Thursday and Friday- I will be taking the LSAT

- € **Internal Legislative Assistant Report (Allison Pohlmann, sgaila@ucf.edu)**
 - ⊂ None
- € **External Legislative Assistant Report (Laurel Richmond, sgaela@ucf.edu)**
 - ⊂ I reached out to the Director of Communications and we are meeting early next week to discuss how to promote the Senate Newsletters.
- € **Senate President Pro Tempore Report (Akhila Damarla, sga_pro@ucf.edu)**
 - ⊂ Hope you all are doing well!
 - ⊂ Still working on transferring initiative and legislation trackers to Teams
 - ⊂ Contacted CHPS about having senators sit on their leadership council
 - ⊂ Reminder that I am always here to support you guys, so please reach out <3
- € **Deputy Pro Tempore of Legislative Affairs Report (Dani Morissette, sga_dleg@ucf.edu)**
 - ⊂ Hey everyone! Busy night, we have 2 fiscal bills on second reading and one resolution and proclamation on first reading.
- € **Deputy Pro Tempore of Senate Relations Report (Agastya Mittal, sgadsr@ucf.edu)**
 - ⊂ RSO Distribution List Update
- € **Caucus Reports**
 - ⊂ **Asian/Pacific Islander American Caucus (Chair Ishaan Patel, sgapiacaucus@ucf.edu)**
 - None
 - ⊂ **Black Caucus (Chair Datilus, sgblackcaucus@ucf.edu)**
 - Happy Pride. Juneteenth Proclamation and Resolution on First Reading today. Tuesday in Conference room at 5 pm, please be on time. Take care of yourself. 7 hours of sleep sheeeesh.
 - ⊂ **Disability Caucus (Chair Elle Campbell, sgdisabilitycaucus@ucf.edu)**
 - Hey y'all!
 - Had a great meeting today, Dr. Meyer, the director of SAS, was able to join us this week. Had great discussion on the Braille signage, SB266, and some accessibility issues regarding graduation ceremonies. Not much in the way of real action this week, but a lot of information was garnered and even more was shared.
 - (Also happy pride month y'all!)
 - ⊂ **Latin/Hispanic Caucus (Charlize Ucciferri, sglatinxcaucus@ucf.edu)**
 - None
 - ⊂ **LGBTQ+ Caucus (Chair Arianna Carter, sglgbtqcaucus@ucf.edu)**
 - Happy Pride Month everyone! I met with CMQ today to get to know them, discuss concerns, and how we can help them. Overall very good meeting
 - The Center in Orlando has volunteer opportunities for the front desk, career planning, HIV testing, outreach, and special events/ambassadors. They also have a larger elderly population at the Center
 - UCF Student Health Services also offers HIV and STI Testing. As long as you eligible you are welcome to make an appointment with a \$5 lab fee and there are other charges that may depend on the service and your insurance coverage. Additional info is on their website. No shame in testing and staying safe 😊
 - ⊂ **Women's Caucus (Chair Stephanie Bishop, sgwomxncaucus@ucf.edu)**
 - Happy Pride!
- € **Unfinished Business**
 - ⊂ [Fiscal Bill 55-01](#) [Funding for 5 members of MEDLIFE to travel on the Medlife Service Learning Trip to Mobile Clinics in Riobamba, Ecuador from July 8th, 2023 to July 16th, 2023][Pro Tempore Damarla] **Passed 31-0-3**
- € **Fiscal Committee Caucus Time**
 - ⊂ None
- € **Fiscal Committee Reports**
- € **CRT Committee (Chair Kylie Cimillo, sga_crt@ucf.edu)**
 - ⊂ In Committee 5/31/23
 - Old Business
 - Allocations:
 - Approved
 - 55-003
 - New Business
 - Allocations:
 - Approved
 - 55-008
 - 55-009
 - 55-010
 - 55-011
 - 55-012
 - 55-013
 - 55-014
 - 55-015

- Bills
 - Approved:
 - Fiscal Bill 55-02
 - Fiscal Bill 55-03
 - Hey guys! This week in committee we approved 9 allocations and 2 Fiscal Bills, postponed 0 allocations, PPI'd 0 allocation, and denied 0 allocations.
 - ⊘ **FAO Committee (Chair Elise Butler, sga_fao@ucf.edu)**
 - ⊘ None
 - ⊘ **ORS Committee (Chair Tyler Borges, sgaors@ucf.edu) (Vice Chair Ethan Temple, sga_ba5@ucf.edu)**
 - ⊘ Verification of Purchases Forms
 - Approved
 - [SB 54-26, 8-0-0](#)
 - [SB 54—332, 8-0-0](#)
 - [SB 54-35, 7-0-0](#)
 - [SB 54-38, 8-0-0](#)
 - [SB 54-39, 8-0-0](#)
 - Postponed
 - [None SB 54—32, 8-0-0](#)
- ⊘ **Fiscal Legislation**
- ⊘ **Notice of Legislation on First Reading**
 - ⊘ Bills
 - ⊘ Resolutions
 - ⊘ Special Acts
- ⊘ **Notice of Legislation on Third Reading**
 - ⊘ Bills
 - [Fiscal Bill 55-01](#) [Funding for 5 members of MEDLIFE to travel on the Medlife Service Learning Trip to Mobile Clinics in Riobamba, Ecuador from July 8th, 2023 to July 16th, 2023][Pro Tempore Damarla] **Passed 34-0-1**
 - ⊘ Resolutions
 - ⊘ Special Acts
- ⊘ **Notice of Legislation on Second Reading**
 - ⊘ Bills
 - [Fiscal Bill 55-02](#) [Funding for 22 members of the Team Sport Business Management to travel to the Student Career and Professional Development Learning Experience in New York from September 17th, 2023 to September 22nd, 2023][DLEG Morissette] **Passed 29-1-3**
 - [Fiscal Bill 55-03](#) [Funding for 42 members of the Association of Latino Professionals for America to travel to the ALPFA National Convention in San Antonio, Texas from August 20th, 2023 to August 23rd, 2023][DLEG Morissette] **Passed 27-0-7**
 - ⊘ Resolutions
 - ⊘ Special Acts
- ⊘ **Internal Committee Caucus Time**
 - ⊘ None
- ⊘ **Internal Committee Reports**
- ⊘ **E&A Committee (Chair Reece Kenneagh, sga_ea@ucf.edu)**
 - ⊘ Howdy senate, this week E&A confirmed 8 more executive nominees!
 - ⊘ I'm grateful to everyone in attendance for helping ensure the process went smoothly in committee
 - ⊘ Congrats to Vice Chair DiChiara!
- ⊘ **GAP Committee (Chair Ethan Temple, sgagap@ucf.edu)**
 - ⊘ **Happy Friday!**
 - ⊘ **GAP had a good meeting- priority survey and a conversation with President Greenaway.**
 - ⊘ **Working with fellow senators with the effects of state legislation.**
- ⊘ **LJR Committee (Chair Vihan Yalamanchili, sga_ljr@ucf.edu)**
 - ⊘ Hello everyone, today LJR met at 3 PM – we saw two absence requests of which we denied one and approved one, finalized our precedent sheet for the approval of absence requests, and elected Senator Hameed as LJR Rep to SBA, congrats to him!
 - Precedent Sheet - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Ii8pOkYtqKIEh91oWDaEsbFTy3wLoDCCYOKeAluj4tI>
 - Charlize Ucciferri – Senate Meeting 06-08-2023, Denied 1-4-4
 - Allison Pohlmann – Senate Meeting 05-25-2023, Approved 9-0-0
 - ⊘ This Day in History – June 1, 1988 - The Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty comes into effect after it was signed 6 months earlier by U.S President Reagan and Soviet Chairman Gorbachev, for the elimination of intermediate range nuclear weapons.
 - ⊘ Happy Pride Month!!
- ⊘ **SBA Committee (Chair Amanda Hurst, sgasba@ucf.edu)**

- ☞ Happy Pride Month everyone!
- ☞ SBA started looking into some projects we want to work on, specifically food waste management. We are also still working on the WeChat issue, and collaborating with Senator Hameed on the issue.
- ☞ Hoping to set up time with each member of the Executive Cabinet at some point next week, will be emailing them tomorrow.
- ☞ If you would like to sit in on SBA tomorrow, please let me know so I can send you the zoom link.

☞ **Confirmations**

☞ **Materials**

- Jeremy Kane for Comptroller; **Confirmed 27-0-8**
- Elijah Leb for Athletics Coordinator; **Confirmed 28-2-3**
- Roshna Cherguail for Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator; **Confirmed 26-1-5**
- Brooke Martin for Governmental Affairs Coordinator; **Confirmed 22-2-5**
- Christina Cabrera for Safety & Transportation Coordinator; **Confirmed 31-0-2**
- Sydni Burge for Sustainability & Innovation Coordinator; **Postponed**
- Jarib Benitez for Digital Media Coordinator; **Postponed**
- Anna Valach for Graphic Design Coordinator; **Postponed**

☞ **Internal Legislation**

☞ **Notice of Legislation on First Reading**

- ☞ Constitutional Amendments
- ☞ Bills
- ☞ Resolutions
 - [Resolution 55-02](#) [Resolution Advocating to Make Juneteenth a UCF Holiday][Black Caucus] **Remanded to SBA**
- ☞ Proclamations
 - [Proclamation 55-02](#) [Proclamation Celebrating Juneteenth on June 19, 2023][Black Caucus] **Remanded to SBA**
- ☞ Special Acts

☞ **Notice of Legislation on Third Reading**

- ☞ Constitutional Amendments
- ☞ Bills
- ☞ Resolutions
- ☞ Special Acts

☞ **Notice of Legislation on Second Reading**

- ☞ Constitutional Amendments
- ☞ Bills
- ☞ Resolutions
- ☞ Proclamations
- ☞ Special Acts

☞ **Senate Forum**

☞—Damarla - Most likely will be entirely virtual next meeting

☞—Fintel: Hello everyone, I hope you're all having a good week. I would like to address the issue brought up at the start of this Senate Meeting and the words of the RSO leadership that came in. As a senator from the college of engineering and computer sciences, of which many of these groups are from, I believe I am well suited to attest to the good that these RSOs have been able to put out into the college and the world at large through their efforts. I have seen firsthand the outcome of their hard work in the quality of their members and the connections they have made both within UCF and outside the university with many large companies. These RSOs are a huge draw for companies to get involved with UCF and, as one speaker said, for potential students to come to UCF. Part of what allows these groups to be able to keep all these amazing things going is the monetary backing to do so. I will not assume to know the intricacies of the budget and all the ways the funding is divided and used, but I do know many of these RSOs and I know they would not have come here today if they were not truly hurting because of this decision. For this reason, I would urge every senator to consider heavily what they said today and be open to solutions these RSOs may present in the future. Thank you.

☞—Borges:

- Hi, I just want to preface by saying I will fight not only for students but also for our branch and the checks and balances of Student Government. When it comes to my debate in negation today, I want to clarify that last session, a candidate had things on a public-facing social media account where they were perceived to have racial biases and discrimination against a specific group of people, and a lot of Senators took that as an important factor on how that candidate could work supporting all students, and the candidate received many "No" votes. I also want to clarify that E&A is a committee that strictly looks at qualifications from materials and that Senate is not E&A and does not have to be held to that strict standard, because at that point, why see the candidate on the floor at all? Therefore, I will not be accepting Speaker Holmes' opinion not to see questions or debate regarding anything outside of the submitted materials. Honestly, I don't care that much if someone has ucf.sg in their bio, but I do really care when our speech is limited by Speaker Holmes when she preaches allowing free speech in these meetings.
- In these cases today, they were no where near that past situation, however, the concern that the Executive Branch as a whole does not respect us nor our power of checks and balances remains - as similar (but frankly much more concerning) things occurred last session as well. Please keep in mind that confirmations have and always will be

Senates power and that we should take our time and be thorough with them. Please also consider the fact that we have an important duty to students and not the Executive Branch. I want to ask you all to think about a situation where a candidate posts things speaking negatively about groups of students or simply saying “(insert curse word) Student Government,” should we not consider it then?

- I know that when I say things people in power don't want to hear I get a target on my back, but I will not stop asking the questions nobody else will ask. If you ever feel uncomfortable bringing up a concern or problem, I will gladly and proudly do it for you, and not care what people think of me for doing so. I have already done that several times this session and last, and want to extend that to all of you.
- With that, I urge Speaker Holmes to rethink her decision and for you all to consider the implications of our speech being limited and the effects limited speech can have on supporting, protecting, and advocating for students. Thanks!

⊘ **Senate Deliberations**

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⊘ **Advisor's Report**

⊘ Brodie:

- I won't be in the office tomorrow but I will be available if you need to message me. Fully unavailable on Monday.
- Senator Shout Outs:
 - Speaker Holmes!! Youll do great on the LSAT 😊
 - Chair Temple, May the Force be with you on the LSAT!!!
 - Chair Hurst she's such a delightful human being (x3)
 - Pro Tempore Damarla she's such an amazing support and leader
 - To everyone for making it through another meeting so proud of us!

⊘ Neda:

- Hi y'all im always here for you. Set up 1 on 1s
- Good luck to Sierra and Ethan!

⊘ Maddie:



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⊘ **Miscellaneous Business**

⊘ Appointments

⊘ Resignations

⊘ Damarla's Drip Down

- Honorable mention: Benjamin is rocking bob ross !!!!
- 3: Sierra
- 2: Kylie
- 1: Ethan

⊘ **Final Roll Call**

⊘ 37/45

⊘ **Adjournment**

⊘ 9:00 PM