



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

UCF Student Government
LJR Committee Meeting
SG Conference Room
07/20/2023
3:00 PM

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 3:00 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 8/9

| Name | Email | Initial | Final |
|----------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------|
| Chair Yalamanchili | sga_ljr@ucf.edu | P | P |
| Vice-Chair Hurst | sga_sci5@ucf.edu | P | P |
| Senator DiChiara | sgacie5@ucf.edu | P | P |
| Senator Hameed | sgaecs7@ucf.edu | P | P |
| Senator Shah | sga_med1@ucf.edu | P | P |
| Senator Nadella | sgachps4@ucf.edu | E | E |
| Senator Pohlmann | sgasci11@ucf.edu | P | P |
| Senator Rivera | sgsci15@ucf.edu | P | P |
| Senator Sandlin | sgsci13@ucf.edu | P | P |
| Senator Traynor | | P (4:00 PM) | P |
| Pro Tempore Representative | Sga_pro@ucf.edu | P (3:08 PM) | P |

3. Approval of the Minutes: [LJR 07-13](#) approved by GC
4. Approval of the Agenda: Approved by GC
5. Open Forum
 - a.
6. Announcements from the Chair-
 - a. Hello everyone! Today we'll be going over seven absence requests and going over the Student Body Constitution.

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- b. Had a meeting with Speaker Holmes and Pro Tempore Damarla, agree that we should suspend the participation requirement for the remainder of the summer session. We will have a more permanent solution to the attendance issue in the Fall, as we do not have enough time during the last two meetings.
 - c. This Day in History – July 20, 1969 – Moon Landing: Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin land the Eagle lunar lander on the Moon in the Apollo 11 mission and are the first humans to step foot on another celestial world.
 - d. “One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind.” – Neil Armstrong
 - e. This is the last meeting with Amanda as Vice Chair, so thank you Amanda for being Vice Chair and with this committee, doing the minutes and Senate Announcements.
7. Announcements from the Vice Chair-
- a. Hey Guys, this will be my last meeting as Vice Chair, I am so thankful for all of you guys bearing with me and my horrible spelling, and I hope that you will all still reach out if you have questions or need help with things. <3
8. Announcements from Committee Members-
- a. E&A Rep – No meeting this week
 - b. SBA Rep – None
 - c. GAP Rep - I forgot, will look at the minutes. Believe that they were talking about Day at the Capitol legislation and how many they wanted to bring with them to DatC
9. Announcements from Non-Committee Members-
- None
10. Old Business-
- a. Bills
 - i. None.
 - b. Resolutions
 - i. None.
 - c. Absences
 - i. None
 - d. Blanket Excuses
 - i. None.
11. New Business-
- a. Bills
 - i. None.
 - b. Resolutions

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- i. None
- c. Absences -
 - i. Ishaan Patel
 - 1. Speeches
 - a. Yalamanchili: Ishaan is going on a trip, requestion the meting from 7/14, Provided supporting documentation of the trip (Serive Learning Trip to Ecuador as part of the Medlife RSO.)
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Hameed: Did we se a bill in senate to support this trip?
 - b. Yalamanchili: Yes, and we passed it.
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Sandlin: I think that as this is an educational trip, it is important as we approved of the Trip as a whole senate, we should excuse this trip.
 - 4. Voting
 - a. 9/0/0; approved
 - ii. Elise Butler
 - 1. Speeches
 - a. For the first of June, which is out of Time Frame, was in California with family.
 - 2. Questioning
 - 3. Debate
 - 4. Voting
 - a. Not going to see as it is out of the timeline of 10 business days
 - iii. Elise Butler
 - 1. Speeches
 - a. 7/6 for initial roll call, due to an internship event MC position that same night. Documentation was provided.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Hurst: What is an MC?
 - b. Maddie: MC means master of ceromines (the person running the event)
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Hurst: It was a last minute thing she could not hae forseen, I say we give her some grace.

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4. Voting
 - a. 9/0/0; approved
- iv. Pranav Nadella
 1. Speeches
 - a. For 7/20 full meeting; currently on the same service trip as Ishaan Patel, has attached the flight information.
 2. Questioning
 - a. Sandlin: Was senator Nadella present for last weeks senate meeting?
 - b. Hurst: Yes, as he was being reinstated.
 3. Debate
 - a. Hameed: Due to the event being something that Senate gave funding to, and we approved another request for the same trip, we should approve
 4. Voting
 - a. 9/0/0
- v. Carlos Yera
 1. Speeches
 - a. Yalamanchili: 7/13 whole meeting; due to the email transfer, i had issues with emails being sent to the wrong one, and I was not able to log in with the new email. I could not get the link to access the meeting. Talked with Maddie and have supporting documentation.
 - b. Maddie: They are the only one still having issues with the email transfer
 2. Questioning
 - a. none
 3. Debate
 - a. Hurst: The tech issue makes sense i would give grace
 - b. Sandlin: Speaking from experience, the transition of emails was really problamatic; he is new, so we should give him some grace.
 4. Voting
 - a. 8/0/0; approved
- vi. Carlos Yera
 1. Speeches

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- a. Yalamanchili: For 7/6 whole meeting; same reason for the last absence request.
 2. Questioning
 - a. none
 3. Debate
 - a. Hameed: we just approved this same request, we should do the same with this one.
 4. Voting
 - a. 9/0/0; approved
 - vii. Nupur Shah
 1. Speeches
 - a. Shah: I was notified that on 6/29 and 7/13 i was getting a half participation; I was in my car and did not know that there was an issue with the voting data.
 2. Questioning
 - a. Yalamanchili: If you had technical difficulties, why only send the one request?
 - b. Hurst: out of timeline.
 3. Debate
 - a. Hurst: As it was a technical issue, we should give grace.
 4. Voting
 - a. 8/0/0; approved
 - d. Blanket Excuses
 - i. None
12. Member Discussion-
 - a. None
13. Miscellaneous Business-
 - a. Vice Chair Elections:
 - i. Nominations
 1. Hameed: Sandlin
 - ii. Speech (5/5/5)
 1. Sandlin: Thank you for the nomination, I am hoping to be approved, it is a little daunting, but Senator Hurst has prepared me for the position. I know I will be able to learn and will have help. Im excited to get to work.

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- iii. Questioning
 - 1. Hameed: How fast can you type
 - 2. Sandlin: Its been a while, but last time I checked it was 80 words per minute
 - 3. Hurst: How accurate is your spelling
 - 4. Sandlin: Its good
 - 5. Hameed: Do you enjoy LJR
 - 6. Sandlin: Yes, I think its good!
- iv. Debate
 - 1. Hameed: I feel like they are great to take on this job; I think he will do it well. Extreamly active and I will vote in favor.
 - 2. Hurst: Knows what he is doing and knows he can ask for help.
- v. Voting
 - 1. 7/0/1; Senator Sandlin is now Vice Chair
- b. Review of the Stud(ent Body Constitution - <https://studentgovernment.ucf.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2023/05/Constitution.pdf>)
 - i. 15 minute reading time
 - ii. Comments/Questions/Suggestions
 - 1. Hurst: Technical thing, is a super majority 2/3rds?
 - 2. Dichiara: Greater than the threshold used for ½ of a super majority.
 - 3. Hurst: Could we just make everything 2/3?
 - 4. Yalamanchili: Title 2 there's no mention of a 'super majority,' it's in the constitution but not defined
 - 5. Hurst: Could we change the phrase "super majority" to just 2/3?
 - 6. Yalamanchili: Would require an amendment
 - 7. Yalamanchili: Could specify in statutes that 2/3 and supermajority are one in the same
 - 8. Moore: if you want to put in a definition it wouldn't hurt anything, but if you put it in statutes that overriedes black law's dictionary.
 - 9. Hurst: we should go back to title two at some point and put that in there. Why not use the same phrase for both?
 - 10. Moore: the more clear the statutes are the better off we are. More clarity within our statutes is good.
 - 11. Hurst: what should be two thirds and what should be supper majority

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12. Dichiara: In my frat we have absolute majorities and super majorities. Absolute majorities (99%) are needed to amend the constitution or rule out an amendment. Here it's just a super majority
13. Moore: Does anything here require an absolute majority?
14. Dichiara: No, but to amend our constitution I think it should.
15. Moore: I think we should leave it at super majority, there will always be holdouts.
16. Dichiara: we should look over what should or shouldn't require an absolute vote, impeachments and other big things like that.
17. Moore: A 2/3 vote to impeach anyone is fair.

c. Icebreaker – Are you excited for Oppenheimer or Barbie?

- i. All: Yes
- ii. Ayden: Going to see it in waterford
- iii. Hameed: Excited for both, going to oppenheimer for florence pugh (we love cillian murphy too), going to barbie for barbie
- iv. Dichiara: Is dressed for oppenheimer but going to see barbie *shows outfit*
- v. Sandlin: I'm seeing oppenheimer for Josh Peck and Barbie for margo bobbie

14. Final Roll Call: 9 /11

15. Adjournment: 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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