



# LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

CONFERENCE, REGISTRATION, AND TRAVEL

UCF Student Government  
CRT Committee Meeting  
Charge on Chamber  
10/16/23  
3:00 PM

## MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 3:02 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum(3): 3/4

Name	Email	Initial	Final
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Senator Brown	<a href="mailto:sgachps1@ucf.edu">sgachps1@ucf.edu</a>	P (4:46)	P
Senator Yera	<a href="mailto:sgaecs12@ucf.edu">sgaecs12@ucf.edu</a>	P	P
ORS Representative	<a href="mailto:sgaors@ucf.edu">sgaors@ucf.edu</a>	P (3:38)	P
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3. Approval of the Minutes: approved by gc.
4. Approval of the Agenda: approved by gc.
5. Announcements from the Chair
  - a) Hey, lots to talk about after CRT and I am advocating for two.
6. Announcements from the Vice-Chair
  - a) 247, 261 & 262,
7. Announcements from Committee Members
  - a) None.
8. Announcements from Non-Committee Members
  - a) None.
9. Old Business
  - a) Allocations
    - i) [55-179 Emily Suchonic](#)
      - (1) Speech
        - (a)
      - (2) Questioning

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- (a)
- (3) Debate
  - (a)
  - (4) Vote
    - (a) PPI'd**
- ii) [55-228 Leslie Flasterstein](#)
  - (1) Speech
    - (a) Cimillo: They have 227 for their RSO to attend the same trip. The individual was reached out to and is now aware they cannot have an RSO and individual allocation.
    - (b) Can you clarify what you mean by the emails?
    - (c) Cimillo: In the emails, I was stating the statue that the bills and allocations cannot be used to attend the same conference by the same individual. You submitted another request for an allocation for registration.
    - (d) It's for the same conference. RSO is for the hotel, and mine is for registration.
    - (e) Borges: As long as the individual is not receiving funds for lodging and the RSO does not have funds for registration, then it should be fine.
    - (f) Cimillo: If you are lodging with the RSO, then you would be included then we cannot fund you.
    - (g) Ok I understand.
  - (2) Questioning
    - (a) Caringal: What? Ok so denying since they are staying with the RSO lodging?
      - (i) Yes
    - (b) Borges: The individual wants the same conference; are they part of the RSO allocation?
      - (i) Yes
  - (3) Debate
    - (a) Yera: The RSO has an allocation, and she has one too for the same conference. The RSO is for lodging, and she has registration.
      - (i) She is part of the RSO funding and thus cannot have a second allocation for registration as she is getting lodging.
    - (b) Brown: MTV
  - (4) Vote**

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- (a) 0-4-1 denied.**
- iii) [55-230 Sabrina Lipkin](#)
- (1) Speech
- (a) We are presenting at a conference. Both undergrad researchers are studying Huntington disease. This will be used for our apps to grad school. We each are presenting different projects. Attending also helps with networking to schools and jobs.
- (2) Questioning
- (a) Cimillo: Dates of travel is 11/11-11/16?
- (i) 11/10-11/16 for both.
- (b) Yera: Are you both financially trained and understand PFP?
- (i) Yes
- (c) Caringal: Clarify costs.
- (i) Hotel is 2065, Sabrina has airfare at
- (d) Cimillo: Explains divided lodging for the hotel.
- (i) 55-249 can cover the lodging.
- (e) Cimillo: Are either of you grads?
- (i) No
- (f) Cimillo: For 55-230 should we 0 lodging and change the flight amount?
- (i) The flight is about 400 and fluctuates there.
- (g) Cimillo: We can fund up to \$500, would you like us to lower it, so you are not sanctioned?
- (i) Sure.
- (h) Yera: MTD
- (3) Debate
- (a) Caringal: Glad we worked out divided lodging amount. Voting i favor
- (b) Yera: MTV
- (4) Vote
- (a) 2-0-1 approved.**
- iv) 55-095 Madison Givntoli
- (1) Speech:
- (a) Amend Lodging cost to \$300 to add on extra funding.
- (2) Questioning:
- (a) Yera: MTD

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(3) Debate:

- (a) Yera: We denied the other and amending this, let's do it.
- (b) Cimillo: Adjust lodging to 300 and approved to 700.
- (c) Borges: MTV

(4) Vote

**(a) 4-0-1 approved.**

b) Bills

i) [55-17 United Nations Associations @ UCF](#)

(1) Speech:

**(a) Yera:** I am speaking on behalf of Model UN to McGill Uni in Canada, we saw this last week for the numbers of the bill. I went ahead and got with Kylie and Tyler to verify everything was correct now. The conversion rates for CAD were old and wrong. We went through and re did them and amended them.

(2) Questioning

- (a) Caringal: What are the new amounts?
  - (i) New amounts Lodging, 1252.14. Travel 2328.00. Registration 808.38. Total of 4388.44.

(b) Yera: MTD

(3) Debate:

- (a) Caringal: Everything looks good, we saw them last week and the only issues were the numbers. They are fixed so I will approve and send them to the Senate.
- (b) Borges: Everything has been changed but I still am not sure about how much they've already been allocated, I put \$4,000.00 because that's what I know CRT did. The numbers brought to us by Yera add up with the conversions, so it is good.

(c) Caringal MTV

(4) Vote:

(a) 3-0-2 approved.

10. New Business

a) Allocations

i) [55-245 Md. Jamil Ahsan](#)

(1) Speech

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(a) I am a 2<sup>nd</sup> year graduate student in civil engineering. My research papers have been accepted to present. Improving efficiency at signals. The money and conference help me increase my resume for research and any future careers.

(2) Questioning

(a) Yera: Are you financially trained and understand the PFP?

(i) Yes

(b) Cimillo: When do you graduate?

(i) 2025/26

(c) Caringal: Can you clarify your dates of travel?

(i) 1/7-1/11

(d) Cimillo: When is registration due?

(i) Before 12/1

(e) Caringal: Can you clarify lodging and travel costs.

(i) Airfare is 285, lodging is about 400. 3 nights

(f) Cimillo: We can approve 700, how will you cover the rest?

(i) Research funds or out of pocket.

(g) Yera: MTD

(3) Debate

(a) Caringal: Civil engineering is the best engineering. Numbers look good, voting in favor.

(4) Vote

**(a) 2-0-1 approved.**

ii) [55-246 James Millsaps](#)

(1) Speech

(a) Attending a research conference presenting 2 projects. Costs are 189 a night for 3 nights, 357 for the flight. This allows for networking with researchers and highlights UCF.

(2) Questioning

(a) Cimillo: We can approve 500, how will you cover the rest?

(i) OUR award/grant.

(b) Cimillo: Would you like us to cover lodging only since it's over 500?

(i) Whatever is best.

(ii) Cimillo: Explains how post funding works.

(iii) Might work better as I may do an Airbnb.

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- (iv) Cimillo: We can lower the approved amount just in case you are sanctioned.
    - (c) Yera: Are you financially trained, and do you understand the PFP?
      - (i) Yes
    - (d) Yera: MTD
  - (3) Debate
    - (a) Yera: This is a great opportunity for the individual and helps them with research.
    - (b) Yera: MTV
  - (4) Vote
    - (a) 2-0-1 approved.**
- iii) [55-247 Manisha Thenuwara](#)
  - (1) Speech
    - (a) I am a 2<sup>nd</sup> year PhD student. I am presenting research at a conference. I am requesting money for airfare and registration.
  - (2) Questioning
    - (a) Caringal: Can you clarify your costs?
      - (i) Registration is 365. The airfare is around 365.
    - (b) Caringal: Can you clarify dates of travel.
      - (i) 12/10-12/15
    - (c) Cimillo: How will you cover unfunded portions?
      - (i) Out of pocket
    - (d) Caringal: FT and understand PFP?
      - (i) Yes
    - (e) Yera: MTD
  - (3) Debate
    - (a) Yera: Great opportunity, numbers look good. voting in favor
  - (4) Vote
    - (a) 2-0-1 approved.**
- iv) [55-248 Madison Giuntoli](#)
  - (1) Speech
    - (a) Cimillo: Approved before, 400 already. Wants same conference but includes travel now. Only can cover max of 700 since it's the same conference. Financially trained, knows post funding, not intl, dates

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are 12/10-12/15. San Fran conference. Requesting \$300 for travel in addition to the \$400 already allocated for this conference. Graduating in Spring 2024.

(2) Questioning

(a) Borges: MTD

(3) Debate

(a) Caringal: Sneezed

(b) Yera: If they needed travel and registration, they should've asked earlier. Personally I'm against.

(c) Cimillo: POI She asked in September for December funds in advance.

(d) Borges: FAO has a statement that they can't fund the same event via multiple allocations/bills. CRT doesn't have it written but it is inferred. From a "legal/fiscal" point we can either approve this or deny this and amend the original.

(e) Caringal: Since it's still in timeline and the conference is fine, I would rather them submit an allocation for more funding and keep the \$700 cap, then go back and amend the original since that will have more issues.

(4) Vote

**(a) 2-3-0 denied.**

v) [55-249 Samuel Moldenhauer](#)

(1) Speech

(a)

(2) Questioning

(a)

(3) Debate

(a)

(4) Vote

**(a) Seen as a block with 55-230**

vi) [55-250 Constance Brezden](#)

(1) Speech

(a) I am a 2<sup>nd</sup> year grad student in communication disorders. I am going for professional development and to network for future jobs.

(2) Questioning

(a) Caringal: Clarify dates of travel

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- (i) 11/16-11/19
    - (b) Cimillo: Can you clarify dates of travel?
      - (i) 230 registration, 130 flights, lodging is around 425 a night so around 1700.
    - (c) Yera: How will you cover the unfunded portions?
      - (i) Out of pocket.
    - (d) Yera: Are you financially trained and understand the PFP?
      - (i) Yes
    - (e) Cimillo: Only can cover up to 400.
    - (f) Yera: MTD
  - (3) Debate
    - (a) Caringal: Seems like a great conference. Voting in favor
    - (b) Cimillo: Do you want us to 0 lodging?
      - (i) Yes, I can find other means too.
    - (c) Yera: MTV
  - (4) Vote
    - (a) 2-0-1 approved.**
- vii) [55-251 Sarah Menard](#)
  - (1) Speech
    - (a) 11/8-11/12. She is FT, Understand PFP, not intl, is undergrad in 2024 graduating. Registration 174.24. If we approve at 200 then we are good, and she wants to keep at 174.24.
  - (2) Questioning
    - (a) Borges: Phone knows about this.
      - (i) Yes
    - (b) Caringal: MTD
  - (3) Debate
    - (a) Yera: Kylie had everything covered. Voting in favor.
    - (b) Caringal: MTV
  - (4) Vote
    - (a) 4-0-1 approved.**
- viii) [55-252 Isaac Johnson](#)
  - (1) Speech
    - (a) Cimillo: Not present, out of timeline after today :(
  - (2) Questioning
    - (a)

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- (3) Debate
  - (a)
- (4) Vote
  - (a) 0-3-1 denied.**
- ix) [55-253 Sudipta Roy](#)
  - (1) Speech
    - (a) I am a 2<sup>nd</sup> year PhD program. I am going to present my papers in transportation research. I want to attend to network and spread my research.
  - (2) Questioning
    - (a) Yera: DO you understand the PFP and financially trained?
      - (i) Yes
    - (b) Yera: Clarify dates of travel?
      - (i) 1/7-1/11
    - (c) Cimillo; We can approve 700, how will you cover the rest?
      - (i) Out of pocket
    - (d) Yera: MTD
  - (3) Debate
    - (a) Yera: Seen the same conference earlier. They understand funding, voting in favor.
    - (b) Yera: MTV
  - (4) Vote
    - (a) 2-0-2 approved.**
- x) [55-254 Shantelle Clement](#)
  - (1) Speech
    - (a)
  - (2) Questioning
    - (a)
  - (3) Debate
    - (a)
  - (4) Vote
    - (a) Postponed till next meeting.**
- xi) [55-255 Abigail Glover](#)
  - (1) Speech
    - (a) Rising senior in mechanical minor in astronomy and math, Asking for registration to my conference. I am an officer in the other RSO

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that we are attending. Lots of networking, panels, and workshops. Also an included competition and interviews. I want to attend to not present so I can experience it and attend events. When I go in Spring to present, I want to use this, so I am better prepared.

(2) Questioning

(a) Borges: Do you understand the PFP?

(i) Yes

(b) Cimillo: When do you plan on graduating?

(i) Fall 2024

(c) Borges: 11/9 is the last day, do you have any questions so you can be right in timeline?

(i) No questions rn, I know others who have done CRT.

(d) Yera: MTD

(3) Debate

(a) Borges: Sounds great, voting in favor.

(b) Yera: MTV

(4) Vote

**(a) 3-0-1 approved.**

xii) [55-256 Sandra Montenegro](#)

(1) Speech

(a) Cimillo: Virtual conference, can't fund. Deny.

(2) Questioning

(a) Yera: They want to attend a virtual conference.

(i) Cimillo: Yes, we did that for covid but no more.

(3) Debate

(a) Borges: We should remove the language from Appendix A.

(b) Caringal: MTV

(4) Vote

**(a) 0-3-1 denied.**

xiii) [55-257 Rodolfo Rodriguez-Muro](#)

(1) Speech

(a) I am requesting 200 for this conference. I am a junior. I am hoping to use this conference to network within my careers. I have paid for my flight already from 11/9-11/11. Lodging is around 110. Registration is 127. I am requesting 200 for the costs.

(2) Questioning

(a) Borges: Do you understand the PFP?

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- (i) Yes
- (b) Cimillo: You requested registration at 126. Did you want us to cover lodging as well?
  - (i) Yes, if I can.
  - (ii) Cimillo: You already paid for flights?
  - (iii) Yes.
  - (iv) Cimillo: We don't reimburse but we can cover lodging. How much?
  - (v) Conference hotel shared with others.
  - (vi) Borges: 200 is your max, the rest can be used. Divided lodging is something we don't cover. They'd pay for the room, and you would cover the average. Are the others you are staying with requesting funds?
  - (vii) From what I know, yes.
  - (viii) Cimillo: We should probably do registration only and we can't fund divided.
  - (ix) Borges: We can only give 1 allocation towards a room. No divided so we would have to zero out lodging.
  - (x) I can pay for the whole room it should be around 110 a night.
  - (xi) Borges: Move to table. Approved by gc.
- (c) Picked Up:
- (d) I got a list of other students attending, but not sure if they are requesting a CRT allocation. I believe that we are not allowed divided lodging. We can only use one allocation for one room by myself.
  - (i) Cimillo: If the rest of the people in the room are not getting an allocation for lodging, we can cover. If the other roommates are getting allocations, we cannot cover. We can do just registration only if you want but we can add lodging if you understand an allocation can only cover one room.
  - (ii) Yea that's fine to cover only registration.
- (e) Cimillo: Also clarifying other funds for the conference, we are out of timeline for this so they cannot be seen.
- (f) Borges: To clarify we are only doing registration.

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- (g) Caringal: MTD
    - (3) Debate
      - (a) Yera: Gone through and worked out the processes and timeline. Good to approve.
      - (b) Caringal: MTV
    - (4) Vote
      - (a) 3-0-1 approved.**
- xiv) [55-258 Arlette Morcelo](#)
  - (1) Speech
    - (a) I am presenting my research at a conference in Pheonix. 11/15-11/19. I am requesting my flight. Last I checked it was 557 so the 500 requested would cover most.
  - (2) Questioning
    - (a) Borges: Are you financially trained and understand the PFP?
      - (i) Yes
    - (b) Borges: Are you a grad student?
      - (i) No
    - (c) Borges: Are you an international student?
      - (i) No
    - (d) Caringal: Have you been allocated anything in this fiscal year?
      - (i) 450
    - (e) Borges: MTD
  - (3) Debate
    - (a) Borges: Everything looks good and not over cap. Voting in favor.
    - (b) Yera: MTV
  - (4) Vote
    - (a) 3-0-1 approved.**
- xv) [55-259 Alejandro Puerta-Alvarado](#)
  - (1) Speech
    - (a) I am requesting the Gala portion of the space vision conference. I am travelling from 11/8-11/12. The gala deadline is 11/11. I am an undergrad in my senior year graduating in spring 2024. This is a great opportunity to network and listen to more speakers. The cost is 47.75 and the other costs have already been covered out of pocket.

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(2) Questioning

- (a) Yera: Does the gala portion include food?
  - (i) Yes, but this cost includes the registration for the gala.
- (b) Borges: Are you an intl student or grad?
  - (i) No
- (c) Borges: Do you understand the PFP?
  - (i) Yes
- (d) Yera: Would we be able to fund this?
  - (i) Cimillo: It's technically registration and there is no other ticket that doesn't include food.
  - (ii) Yes, that is the only ticket.
- (e) Borges: MTD

(3) Debate

- (a) Borges: Registration is the primary cost for the event they want to attend. It seems the primary cost is already paid for. Since it's just the gala portion I am unsure this is fundable.
- (b) Yera: Seeing as the rest has been already paid, since this is more of an add on ticket and we can't really fund it since it's not the main portion.
- (c) Borges: To confirm you already paid for everything else.
  - (i) Yes, I personally paid for the flight and registration. Lodging is divided so I cannot cover.
- (d) Borges: If we don't change what we're funding we can't fund it. Would you be open to getting lodging covered or have you already decided on divided lodging?
  - (i) I have not heard of any requests to fund lodging. I don't have much interest in funding lodging.
- (e) Borges: MTV

(4) Vote

**(a) 0-3-1 denied.**

xvi) [55-260 Jasmine Awad](#)

(1) Speech

- (a) I am an undergrad in aerospace. I am requesting registration for my conference. I am travelling from 11/8-11/12 in DC. 126 is the registration. This will help with networking and professional development as well as careers.

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## (2) Questioning

- (a) Yera: Are you financially trained and understand the PFP?
  - (i) Yes
- (b) Yera: Are you an international student?
  - (i) No
- (c) Borges: Are you a grad student?
  - (i) No
- (d) Yera: We can do a max of 200. Would you like us to lower it to avoid reversion?
  - (i) What would we lower it to?
  - (ii) Cimillo: Somewhere like 150 to avoid sanctions.
  - (iii) Ok that's fine.
- (e) Caringal: MTD

## (3) Debate

- (a) Borges: This looks great, voting in favor. We should lower the exact amount of the ticket.
- (b) YeraL
- (c) Yera: motion to reduce approved to 126.49.
  - (i) Approved
- (d) Borges: To confirm that's ok to lower.
  - (i) Yup!
- (e) Yera: MTV

## (4) Vote

**(a) 3-0-1 approved.**

xvii) [55-261 Jacklyn Higgs](#)

## (1) Speech

- (a) I am a 4<sup>th</sup> year PhD attending a conference in SLC from 12/4-8. I am presenting my research on combustion. I am requesting the remainder of my funds, around 600, for registration and airfare for the hotel. I have 500 from the grad presentation fellowship.

## (2) Questioning

- (a) Cimillo: When are you graduating?
  - (i) Spring 2024
- (b) Yera: Can you clarify your costs?
  - (i) I have already requested \$400. I should be able to get another \$600. Can you explain the registration costs?

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Registration 250, Airfare 310. Lodging 159 a night for 4 nights.

(c) Cimillo: When is early registration due?

(i) 11/1 or 3<sup>rd</sup>

(ii) Cimillo: You can cover registration on your own now while it's cheaper so we can cover the other categories. Did you want to cancel lodging and have the rest go elsewhere?

(iii)

(d) Yera: Are you financially trained and understand the PFP?

(i) Yes

(3) Debate

(a) Caringal: They have requested before and this is a great conference. Voting in favor

(4) Vote

**(a) 2-0-1 approved.**

xviii) [55-262 Juan Cruz Pellegrini](#)

(1) Speech

(a) Same conference as 55-261. Requesting 482 for hotel and 250 for registration.

(2) Questioning

(a) Yera: Financially trained, understand the PFP, and grad student?

(i) Yes

(b) Cimillo: How will you cover the unfunded portions?

(i) Grad fellowship

(c) Yera: MTD

(3) Debate

(a) Yera: Same conference as previous, numbers look good and great for them. Voting in favor.

(b) Cimillo: 12/3-12/6 are dates of travel?

(i) Yes

(4) Vote

**(a) 2-0-1 approved.**

b) Bills

i) [55-19 Forensic Science Association](#)

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3:00 PM

- (1) Speech
  - (a) Presentation
- (2) Questioning
  - (a) Borges: Do you understand the bill PFP, have backups, 2 financial officers, 1 attending?
    - (i) Yes
  - (b) Yera: You have a selection process; does it include alternates?
    - (i) Yes, we have a point system.
  - (c) Borges: You have to fill out TRF and Roster. Can you get everyone to sign?
    - (i) Yes, we will let the people know who is attending the meetings. We have their contacts.
  - (d) Cimillo: Early bird ends 10/31. We won't be able to fund it till after that. Do you know when normal pricing is announced?
    - (i) 10/31 or 11/1 probably. It is historically about \$50 increase.
  - (e) Cimillo: We would see you on this on the 26<sup>th</sup>. If you don't have the cost by then, there may be issues with timeline and reversions. We may need to see your third on 11/2 as it needs to be accurate. If anything, if the costs increase, you will take on the extra costs. There is plenty of time in the timeline if you want to postpone the third reading to the 11/2.
    - (i) We can wait until 11/2 to announce the new prices.
    - (ii) Cimillo: Yes, we can postpone it, so you'll be seen then.
    - (iii) We can postpone the second reading to the next meeting for 10/22 and 11/2.
  - (f) Borges: Can you organize the conference organizers to get the prices?
    - (i) Yes, we can, I can try.
    - (ii) Cimillo: If you get prices before Thursday lmk and we can see you then on Thursday and get it going.
  - (g) Borges: Can you go through the costs again with tax if you, have it?

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- (i) We do not have the tax amounts at the moment. One member does have it, but can we bring it to Thursday?
- (ii) Cimillo: Yes, because our KnightConnect shows different, but we can have it changed later on Thursday meeting.
- (h) Caringal: MTD
- (3) Debate
  - (a) Cimillo: Adjust amounts to presentation.
  - (b) Caringal: Move to see my amendments.
    - (i) Technical
  - (c) Borges: Move to see my amendments.
    - (i) Technical
  - (d) Borges: Once the new numbers come in with taxes and registration, everything will be perfect. Voting in favor.
  - (e) Caringal: MTV
- (4) Vote
  - (a) 3-0-1 approved.**

## 11. Member Discussion

- a. Yera: We had the bill last week that we postponed to this week that we have not seen. Can we see it?
- b. Cimillo: My event is Wednesday. Reach out. Exec wants me to cancel.
  - a. Borges: What event and how can we help.
  - b. Fiscal workshop training for individuals and RSOs. The PowerPoint is ready and everything else. If you can reach out for the event that would be great.

## 12. Miscellaneous Business

- a) None.

13. Final Roll Call: 5/4

14. Adjournment: 5:29 PM

### Key:

P - Present

A - Absent

MTD - Move to Debate

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MTA - Move to Amend  
PFP - Post Funding Process  
PP - Postpone  
PPI - Postpone Indefinitely  
GC - General Consent

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