**LEGISLATIVE BRANCH**

**UCF Student Government**
Military and Veteran Caucus Meeting
Charge On Chamber & Zoom
11/17/2023
16:00

## MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 16:00
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum (5): 9/8

| Name | Email | Initial | Final |
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3. Approval of Minutes: Approved by gc.
4. Approval of the Agenda:  Approved by gc.
5. Open Forum:
    a. None.
6. Announcements from the Chair Collazo:
    a. Good afternoon, everyone! I submitted the website changes we agreed upon last meeting to Senate President Holmes. So, the FAQ portion of the website should be posted by this month.
    b. At this meeting we will be deciding next semester's meeting time as well as discussing two projects we will be working on next semester.

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    c. Also, I announced this past Senate meeting that this would be the last caucus meeting of the semester. However, we can meet one last time on December 1st if necessary.

    d. Lastly, I will have to leave halfway through this meeting so Vice-Chair Caringal will be leading the meeting after I leave. Please show him the respect he deserves as he leads the meeting.

7. Announcements from the Vice-Chair Caringal:
   a. Hi, thanks for coming out to the Salute events, very grateful for y'all!

8. Announcements from Caucus Members:
   a. Cimillo- Just a quick mental health reminder! Life is hectic. Take some time to love you and give yourself a hug because we are all doing amazing work for amazing things here on campus and for ourselves. So, in case you haven't heard it recently I am proud of you all! Besos
   b. AG Moore: Update for the WebCourse initiative: They updated verification process to put it online and separate from emailing the success center. We'll see how that works going into this Spring, but I still think it should be on WebCourses so I will push for that hopefully by the end of Spring so it's ready for Summer or Fall. If you want to help with this, please let me know.

9. Announcements from Non-Caucus Members:
   a. None.

10. Old Business
    a. Proclamations
       i. List of Spring Proclamations have been sent to SBA Chair Hameed.
    b. Semester Projects
       i. Next Semester will be focusing on increasing our Media Engagement, writing more proclamations, and increasing our collaboration with MVSC, ROTC and other military and veteran organizations on campus.

11. New Business
    a. When2meet
       i. Next semester we will be meeting on a weekly basis.
       ii. [https://www.when2meet.com/?22431744-E1j7B](https://www.when2meet.com/?22431744-E1j7B)
       iii. FILL THIS OUT FOR SPRING SEMESTER NOW!!!!!!!! I will find y'all if you don't (VC Caringal).
    b. Resolutions
       i. [https://fye.sdes.ucf.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/16/2023/11/TransferStudent-Schedule-Orientation-Spring2024-Nov17-v2-1.pdf](https://fye.sdes.ucf.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/16/2023/11/TransferStudent-Schedule-Orientation-Spring2024-Nov17-v2-1.pdf)

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ii.   Student Government x FYE (First Year Experience) Collaboration
1.   They don't have a separate day for military students, so it extends the hours they are there for orientation. We have contacts with FYE to help.
2.   Cimillo: Cimillo is also an orientation leader to help with coordination. For Spring, the schedule is already up and ready to go. 3:30-5 is for dependent verification. When you are done registering for courses, you go to MVSC to verify. MVSC will give emails and resources for support and what documents to bring. There is an option for me to advertise to my students to come and see Senate and MVC. If we go to MVSC (room 202) we can hand out pamphlets.
     a.   Moore: Is this already confirmed the schedule?
     b.   Collazo: Yes, what Holmes and DiChiara suggested is they get their own day for the verification process.
     c.   Moore: I don't think they need their own day as it should only be an hour, does the MVSC know about this schedule?
     d.   Collazo: Yes, what we suggested was having a separate day would be more beneficial for the MVSC so that they have more time with the students to explain how everything works.
     e.   Moore: I feel for now the end of the day orientation is fine and we can get feedback. For VARC it was worse, with the MVSC, they've handled it better and we should go with them to see if they want a full day. We should get feedback after this semester's orientation.
     f.   Collazo: Can we collect feedback for those orientation days?
     g.   Cimillo: I can speak with my boss that when they're all done at the center, a QR code could be used to give feedback, but I'd have to ask her.
     h.   Moore: I support that, and if they don't want to do that, the center could also take control over feedback.
     i.   Cimillo: During our schedule, there is paperwork and computers you fill things out at. If we add it to the slide which is shown at the end, it could go to FYE and us at MVC for the feedback.

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        j.   Collazo: Yes, if we can collect feedback to make the process more efficient. If we talk to FYE, I want to use student concerns instead of our more general ones. Let's go with the QR codes and the feedback forms for Spring.

c.   Semester Projects:

    i.   Student Government x ROTC Collaboration

        1.   Collazo: DiChiara started this. He wanted to being high school students from around the area for an "ROTC Day."

        2.   DiChiara: I sent an email earlier this week about this to both ROTCs. I said, to foster better connections with UCF and high schools, there should be a dedicated day to show off our ROTC to JROTC programs around the area. It can be a joint day with ROTC and UCF to have representatives with presentations like orientation with tours and Q&A to recruit high school students into UCF and ROTC. This can also be an outreach to dispel any misconceptions. I got a response from Capt. Julian and he, with AFROTC, was willing to cooperate and help out with this. Over the break, I want to create a structure for this and with AFROTC's approval, I want to work on this now.

        3.   Moore: Considering Collazo and I are from the local area; this is a great opportunity for the high schools to see UCF and reach out to the community.

        4.   Army ROTC Rep: This is a great initiative that I would like to help out with.

        5.   DiChiara: I reached out to Orange County and the schools in the area. The schools would be open to these once proposals are sent out. Colonial has been contacted and they are ok with this. The idea with all the different branches in JROTC, national defense cadet Corp, and anything else of that nature, to reach out about this. If I do find anything else and any other emails, I should include, please LMK.

        6.   Moore: This is going to take multiple high schools and their biggest question is going to be funding. This is a whole caucus event. There is so much already going on to where if we want this to happen this year, we need to work on it now.

        7.   DiChiara: All high schools within this area don't have much contact info for them so I am going through trying to find it. We can start

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now, but finish in the next session if needed. I would like to get this done ASAP. If anything, though, we can give them the tools to succeed. In the Spring, we can have a big sit down to work on, but this is something that will involve everyone.

8. Moore: We may have to, with funding, especially with county school board, only do one county. It may be hard to split counties and funding.

9. Caringal: We can even make it a weeklong thing.

12. Member Discussion

a. Moore: I will be out recently and getting events for the Spring. Huge parade and other events. I will reach out and get that out to the Caucus and in Teams going into the Spring. Before winter break.

b. Army ROTC Rep: On Feb 24th, we have an event with every branch comes out and the community. There is a flyer already out on Insta. Everyone can come out to the table and come out to support.

c. Cimillo: I wanted to apologize for my absence for Veterans Week, it's been hectic, and I know that event was important. I am a person first and my mental health matters.

13. Miscellaneous Business

a. None.

14. Final Roll Call (5): 8/8

15. Adjournment: 16:35

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