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MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 3:54 PM

2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 5/6

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Yalamanchili	sga_ljr@ucf.edu	Р	
Vice-Chair Traynor	sga_cah3@ucf.edu	Р	
Senator DiChiara	sgacie5@ucf.edu	Р	
Senator Hameed	sgaecs7@ucf.edu	P	
Senator Luthra	sga_med1@ucf.edu	P (at 4:01pm)	
Senator Pohlmann	sgasci11@ucf.edu	Р	
Pro Tempore Representative	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P (at 4:03pm)	

3. Approval of the Minutes: LJR 02-29 Approved by GC

4. Approval of the Agenda: Approved by GC

- Open Forum
 - a. None.
- 6. Announcements from the Chair
 - a. Hello everyone! Today we'll be looking at 6 absence requests, and about four bills.
 - This Day in History March 7, 161 AD Marcus Aurelius and Lucius Commodus become co-emperors of the Roman Empire after the death of their adopted father, Antoninus Pius
 - c. Congrats to JC for his work on the Transfer Caucus Project!
- 7. Announcements from the Vice Chair
 - a. Hi everyone! I have been very busy recently working with EARTHDAY.ORG, the Post Landfill Network, and some other people to organize an Earth Day Cleanup!

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- b. I would also really appreciate any help or thoughts relating to the creation of a Sustainability Caucus. I am currently working on a resolution urging the University to adopt a Pledge to Ban Plastics on campus, and I thought that it would compliment the creation of a Sustainability Caucus. I've never made legislation like this before, so I would really appreciate any feedback or advice.
- 8. Announcements from Committee Members
 - a. E&A Rep DiChiara: We had a working meeting today putting together ideas. There are going to be 2 strikethroughs of things we don't do any more. Hurst wrote some corrections, and I am writing some corrections.
 - b. SBA Rep Pohlmann: In SBA we talked about the EK Proclamations and how we are going to honor them. Hameed allocated those proclamations and we are getting them done before the 26th of this month. We also received an update from dining services.
 - i. Hameed: From Dining Services, our first initiative received an update. Lazo and Vasquez sought to get cheaper food on campus. At Bento, after Spring Break, there will now be a deal to get \$2.00 off a certain item, every day!
 - c. GAP Rep None.
- 9. Announcements from Non-Committee Members
 - a. Hurst: Hi! Along with the legislation I wrote that we are seeing next week about Title III and Title VII, I will be here to answer questions regarding it!
- 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. Internal Bill 55-18 [Updates to Title III][ELA Richmond]
 - 1. Speeches: (3)

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- a. This relates to Dean Meetings and serving our constituents. I decided to put it in statutes. It was inspired by graduate studies, who reposted our work. The possibilities are endless. When there is more structure in the statutues relating to this, more can be done.
- 2. Questioning (5)
 - a. DiChiara: What was your one way of supervising them?
 - i. Ensuring it gets done. Having a follow-up mock Dean meeting to make sure that there is action being done. Ultimately, it will be up to the ELA to determine.
- 3. Debate (5)
 - a. Pohlmann: This helps to clear some discrepencies. This helps to outline what the ELA should be promoting in the Dean Meetings, so I will be voting 'upwards' on this one.
 - b. Hameed: I think this 'eats,' I think this makes sense that the ELA should follow up on these initiatives. I will also be voting in favor.
- 4. Voting:
 - a. 5/0/0 Passed favorably on First Reading
- b. Resolutions and Special Acts
 - i. None
- c. Absences -
 - Nadav Shanun
 - 1. Speeches:
 - a. From last week. This was postponed over an emergency. We wanted to know what kind of emergency. He submitted two separate absences. He needed to care for his sick brother. This was on Feb. 15th.
 - b. Log from Team:
 - i. "Sure, I was in south FL in Boca Raton because my brother was sick at home"
 - Questioning
 - a. None.
 - 3. Debate

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- a. Traynor: I appreciate Shanun giving us more context. I think we can vote in favor. I hope that his brother feels better!
- b. JC: I have a question what does may I retain mean?
 - If nobody else has raised their hands, once you are done speaking, you have the right to make another motion. If you want to speak and then make a motion to vote, you can.
- 4. Voting:
 - a. 5/0/1 Absence Request Approved
- ii. Nadav Shanun
 - 1. Speeches:
 - a. This is from the 5th, also postponed earlier. He said he had to go to South Florida. He said this was also the same thing, a family medical emergency.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Pohlmann: Who is this?
 - i. Nadav Shanun.
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Pohlmann: We just approved for the same reason, I am voting in favor.
 - 4. Voting:
 - a. 5/0/1 Absence Request Approved
- iii. Ishaan Patel
 - 1. Speeches:
 - a. This is for last week's meeting. He was conducting research for his thesis and was in the lab during the Senate meeting, and had to continue doing it during the meeting. He provided evidence in the form of a link through the MSE website. On the website, it shows his picture that he is part of the research lab.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. None.
 - 3. Debate
 - a. None.
 - 4. Voting:
 - a. 5/0/1 Absence Request Approved

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- iv. Carlos Acosta
 - 1. Speeches:
 - a. This was for the entire meeting last week. He was attending Boston University's PhD Open House and provided documentation of the schedule of the Open House. It does say that Check In starts at 4pm, the Welcome Social starts at 6:30pm, and so on and so forth.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. None.
 - 3. Debate
 - a. None.
 - 4. Voting:
 - a. 5/0/1 Absence Request Approved
- v. Paige Fintel
 - 1. Speeches:
 - a. This is for today's meeting. They are sick today. They are vomiting and took a Covid test. They specified that they did not want to infect anyone else. They did not provide evidence.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. None.
 - 3. Debate
 - a. None.
 - 4. Voting:
 - a. 6/0/0 Absence Request Approved
- vi. Christopher Corelli
 - 1. Speeches:
 - a. This absence is for today's meeting. They are feeling sick and went to the doctor, they were diagnosed with a sinus infection and began to take anti-biotics today. They took a picture of their prescription of amoxicillin.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. None.
 - Debate
 - a. Traynor: Feel better Chris!
 - 4. Voting:
 - a. 6/0/0 Absence Request Approved

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- 12. Member Discussion
 - a.
- 13. Miscellaneous Business-.
 - a. <u>Internal Bill 55-10</u> [Updates to Title III: Removing Caucuses from Title III] [ILA Pohlmann]
 - 1. Speeches: (5)
 - a. This is removing the caucuses from Title III and making their new titles. Title III is obviously Senate, so we will take them out of Senate. This will be done at the beginning of the 56th Session. We decided to have it there to make it easier for next year. This will make Caucuses more of a SG-wide thing instead of a Senate thing.
 - 2. Questioning: (5)
 - a. Brodie: I am going to recommend keeping it at the beginning of the 56th Session. I would also note that it should say "pending the passing of..." the other documents to make sure that the Bill, Resolution, and Special Act all get passed together. This will make sure that it gets enacted as long as all three are signed and approved.
 - b. Hameed: Allison, what is your email? The contact is still your CHPS email
 - i. Pohlmann: No underscore in that email.
 - ii. Brodie: They made it a rule to exclude _ from emails at some point, so some Student Government emails have it, some don't. Same thing with SGA --> SG in the handle.
 - c. DiChiara: This is a wording issue. When it says "No Confidence," it says "or the Senate Committee." IE 304.2. Sorry, I was just making sure the wording was correct.
 - Brodie: I think it might not have said committee before.
 We can check and make sure. Knowing Katrina when she did this, she noticed it didn't say committee in those
 - 3. Debate: (5)

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- a. Hameed: Can I motion to see Pohlmann's edit at the top?
 She added the "Pending the enactment of..." to the top.
 - i. Yes.
- b. Hameed: I think that in congruence with the other Bills this goes with, it makes a lot of sense. I will vote in favor.
- 4. Voting:
 - a. 6/0/0 Internal Bill passed favorably
- <u>Resolution 55-13</u> [Updates to Senate Rule 1, 2, 4, & 7: Removing Caucus Leadership from the Senate Executive Committee and Senate Rules][ILA Pohlmann]
 - 1. Speeches: (5)
 - a. This one will remove the caucuses from Senate Exec. The main reason why is because now that caucuses will be opened up to all of Student Government (cabinet, judicial, etc.), they now have debating rights over Senate Exec. Matters, which doesn't really pertain to them. That is why we are removing them from Senate Exec.
 - 2. Questioning: (5)
 - a. DiChiara: So you have spoken to all caucus heads right?
 - i. All the Chairs. I talked to Datilus just now, and she said that she didn't know until just now. I am still talking to a few to make sure that they understand how this works regarding external SG agents having power over us.
 - b. Hameed: I know we talked about it earlier, but what is your idea as a replacement for them being in Senate Exec?
 - i. An issue with this is that Senate Exec is a forum for communication. Now that they are removed, it won't be. I think a solution for this would be legislation to make a Caucus Leadership Board where they can meet and they have their own group. That could be something that could be a substitute for Senate Exec.
 - c. Yalamanchili: I am curious do you think we need legislation to have a Caucus Leadership Board? When I was in Senate 2 years ago, we did have a caucus leadership groupchat and

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we met every other week on Fridays. We didn't need legislation

- I definitely have thought about that. It definitely doesn't need legislation, just like how the fiscal chairs have their own group chat. I don't know if the Caucus Chairs have met in the past this session.
- ii. DiChiara: We discussed this earlier. Either we legislate it or we put it in the transition binders. When it comes to fiscal, they do have to work together because that's how funding works through procedure. With the possibility of creating a Leader Board, it would be consisting of Chairs and VCs, as well as a Rep from SBA. That is what we were discussing. For me, I just wanted to add that on.
- 3. Debate: (5)
 - a. Hameed: Can I pick up all of Hurst's amendments?
 - i. Hurst: Sure! I made those changes a few weeks ago.
 Do whatever you want.
 - ii. Yalamanchili: As a block?
 - iii. Hameed: There are two, can they be seen as technical?
 - iv. Brodie: What are you trying to do? What change are you making? If the intention is to cross out the word, we can. I think that might be confusing if we do take it out. You want to delete those words... Ah, it wasn't struck through and it should have been in order to be consistent. I see, ah, perfect. I thought you were intending to change something. That was helpful.
 - v. Hameed: That's why I thought it was a technical.
 - vi. Brodie: My bad, I misunderstood.
 - b. DiChiara: I feel like we should definitely bring this up on the floor with non-caucus members. We need to create that conversation with them. There needs to be debate between whether there should be an implementation of a Caucus Leadership Board or not. Voting in favor.

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- c. Hameed: Legislation makes sense. I'm not in a caucus, so my opinion should be second to them. Pohlmann's reasoning makes sense logistically. Removing them from Senate Exec makes sense, they don't need to be a part of this.
- 4. Voting:
 - a. 6/0/0 Resolution passed favorably
- c. <u>Special Act 55-01</u> [Creation of Title XIV: The Student Government Caucuses][ILA Pohlmann]
 - 1. Speeches: (5)
 - a. This makes the Student Government Caucuses their own title. We took this out of Title III and copy pasted this into this. There are a few amendments, so no major changes. This just organizes their info into a new title.
 - 2. Questioning: (5)
 - a. None.
 - 3. Debate: (5)
 - a. Hameed: Motion to pick up Brodie's amendment regarding the Creation of Ad-Hoc Caucuses
 - b. DiChiara: With his approval, can I pick up Traynor's amendments with the removal of 1402.1.A?
 - i. Traynor: Yup.
 - DiChiara: It's pretty good. Most is copied. I'm glad we changed the Senate President role to Acting Chair role. I am voting favor.
 - 4. Voting:
 - a. 6/0/0 Special Act passed favorably
- 14. Adjournment: 5:16 PM

Key:

- P Present
- A Absent

MTD - Move to Debate

MTV - Move to Vote

MTA- Move to Amend

PP - Postpone



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PPI - Postpone Indefinitely GC - General Consent