



MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 6/6

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Yalamanchili	sga_ljr@ucf.edu	P	P
Vice-Chair Traynor	sga_cah3@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator DiChiara	sgacie5@ucf.edu	P (3:39pm)	E
Senator Hameed	sgaecs7@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Luthra	sga_med1@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Pohlmann	sgasci11@ucf.edu	P	P
Pro Tempore Representative	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	P

3. Approval of the Minutes: [LJR 03-07](#) **Approved by GC**
4. Approval of the Agenda: **Approved by GC**
5. Open Forum
 - a. None.
6. Announcements from the Chair-
 - a. Hello everyone! I hope everybody is doing well. Today we'll be looking at 7 absence requests, and five bills, and two resolutions.
 - b. This Day in History – March 14, 1900 – The Gold Standard Act went into effect, backing the US dollar with gold and putting US currency on the gold standard.
7. Announcements from the Vice Chair-
 - a. Hi everyone! Hope you all are doing well, I am very excited to share my resolution to create an Ad Hoc Sustainability Caucus today. I also wanted to mention that we

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saw, passed, and sponsored a resolution to create a zero-waste task force in SBA on Tuesday, and we will be seeing that on the floor tonight!

8. Announcements from Committee Members-

- a. E&A Rep - DiChiara: We passed some bills, they all were good. No issues. 55-25, I think Hurst mentioned talking to LJR about it, etc. Everything in E&A was passed!
- b. SBA Rep - Pohlmann: We saw a lot of legislation and proclamations for M&V Caucus, we also planned for the donations. We saw some resolutions as well.
- c. GAP Rep – None.

9. Announcements from Non-Committee Members

- a. 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. [Internal Bill 55-21](#) [Updates to Title VII][Vice Chair Hurst] [5/5/5]
 - 1. Speeches:
 - a. This first bill is for an update to Title VII. If an impeachment hearing is called and they are in LJR and summoned as a witness/accomplice, the committee can remove them with 2/3 majority.
 - b. First change: makes sure that people mentioned as Affidavit lose their voting and debate rights. The second change is made to another part of the statutes for consistency.
 - 2. Questioning

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- a. Yalamanchili: This would apply to anyone on LJR that is mentioned in any impeachment Affidavit?
 - i. Yes
- b. Even if they are a witness and did nothing wrong, LJR would still have the power to remove them.
 - i. Yes
- c. Why is this the case?
 - i. I don't know why it was that way in the first place. I did not agree with it, so I changed it.
- d. Brodie: I haven't seen them yet. So is your concern about them removed from the committee entirely or being removed at all?
 - i. Not really.
- e. Brodie: What I thought you said was that the committee had the ability to remove them completely and you don't like that. I want to make sure that it is clear if that is what you meant. They would be fully removed until the impeachment hearing is done. I think a reasonable opinion to say is that it is unreasonable because LJR might have other business that they need to be there to debate and vote on. I want to make sure that you and LJR understand what it means.
 - i. Yes. That is part of the purpose. Those who are mentioned in the Affidavit can be removed entirely, which I believe is an overreach.
- f. Yalamanchili: If someone is mentioned, they can vote and debate on matters other than the Affidavit, right?
 - i. Correct. In this version.

3. Debate

- a. Hameed: I think it is fine. It makes sense. It might be unfair to say that they can't do any business in LJR if they are mentioned in an impeachment. They should be able to vote on other parts of the committee not related to the Affidavit.
 - i. No protections but not caveat.

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4. Voting:
 - a. **5-0-1 Passed Favorably**
- ii. [Internal Bill 55-22](#) [Updates to Title III][Vice Chair Hurst]
 1. Speeches:
 - a. This clarifies things relating to the removal of the Sergeant-At-Arms. It also clarifies that there is a maximum to standing Senate Committees to max of 2. Also, it changes supermajority to 2/3rds majority.
 2. Questioning
 - a. Yalamanchili: Would this limit reps?
 - i. Brodie: No, this would not prevent reps from being on more than 2 committees as it clarifies that it is an exception. I want to also clarify that it lists the max in the Senate Rules but not in the Statutes.
 - b. Is 306.1 talking about students who are in E&A?
 - i. Yes.
 3. Debate
 - a. Hameed: This is fine. Makes sense.
 4. Voting:
 - a. **7-0-0 Passed Favorably**
- iii. [Internal Bill 55-25](#) [Updates to All Titles][Chair DiChiara]
 1. Speeches:
 - a. This removes the definition of school day and academic day, as they have similar definitions. Academic day is more specific to the UCF academic calendar. All school days are being changed to academic days. We have been doing this in the past for other Internal Bills, this will help to streamline that process.
 2. Questioning
 - a. Brodie: Since this was remanded to E&A, we can debate on it but can't vote on it because it was sent to them and not LJR. We can debate and discuss it.
 - i. Yalamanchili: My bad.

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3. Debate
 - a. Hurst: For everyone's sake, E&A did approve it.
4. Voting:
 - a. **Did not vote**
- iv. [Internal Bill 55-26](#) [Updates to All Titles][Vice Chair Hurst]
 1. Speeches:
 - a. Unlike the bill we just saw, this affects all titles equally. Neda is leaving and the Grad. Position will be dissolved, however that title shows up everywhere across the statutes. I thought I would make it easier so that if it was added, anywhere where it says student advisor, all parts are named "Senate Advisor, Senate Grad. Assistant, or Senate Student Assistant"
 2. Questioning
 - a. Pohlmann: They won't be student assistant, they'll be a designee?
 - i. Yes. This allows Brodie or Shane to designate the role to someone if needed but keeps it open.
 3. Debate
 - a. Hameed: Once again, looks fine. I will miss Neda. Since the position no longer exists, this makes sense.
 4. Voting:
 - a. **7-0-0 Passed Favorably**
- v. [Internal Bill 55-27](#) [Updates to Title III][Vice Chair Hurst]
 1. Speeches:
 - a. This is for Title III for Presidential Appointments. We have had issues with reaching out to appointees in a timely manner to ensure that they are eligible for election. They have to reached out within a week from the E&A Chair. This sets a time limit.
 - i. **"Presidential appointees must be reached out to by the order in which they are appointed by the Student Body President. The E&A Chair will have a maximum of one (1) week to reach out to the appointees to schedule them to be seen by the E&A Committee."**

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2. Questioning

- a. Hameed: Is there a reason that this isn't an academic week instead of a regular week?
 - i. Some people work weekends so this gives more time.
- b. Hameed: What designees does this apply to?
 - i. All.
- c. Pohlmann: Is academic week/day consistent in statutes?
 - i. Brodie: Day is defined well. Any day that UCF is going on excluding finals. Academic week is not defined. Academic week would do the same thing; if Brandon appointed someone tonight, E&A would have to do it during spring break if it was week, but if it was academic week, it will happen the week after. Academic week is only for when classes are in session.

3. Debate

- a. Hurst: See my amendment regarding changing week to academic week.

4. Voting:

- a. **7-0-0 Passed Favorably**

b. Resolutions and Special Acts

- i. [Resolution 55-28](#) [Resolution to Create an Ad Hoc Caucus for the Arab Community][DLEG Morissette]

1. Speech

- a. Morissette: This was written by my mentee. This was made in SLC but was started in the Fall Semester. She met with RSOs. She has done her research. We have been to MSC to see representation. The consensus is that there is not enough representation. She has done her research, and she is currently studying this at UCF.
- b. Lima: There are currently 7 caucuses, only 3 represent ethnic groups. Because UCF is the second largest campus, it has a very diverse student body. There are no accurate statistics for students who identify as Arab. There are dozens of active

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RSOs that do identify. I spoke to many and they sponsored this resolution, many of them felt unheard because there is no representation in SG. They have to rely on MSC. This caucus could help host events like panel discussions regarding social justice issues, as well as collaborate with organizations outside of UCF. Many of these events can happen during April, Arab Heritage Month. This would amplify their voices and representation.

2. Questioning

- a. Hameed: This is to anyone – in the last be it further resolved clause, if Pohlmann’s Bills go through tonight, would that need to be removed?
 - i. Brodie: Yes, but I don’t know if you need to strike it. I will add an amendment so that if the Senate Rule is still there or not, it shall go through. I wouldn’t want you to strike it after the bill passes and in the case that Pohlmann’s gets vetoed, then there could be a problem. Adding “regardless of” would solve this problem without creating other potential problems.
- b. Pohlmann: This will go into place if it does pass now during the 55th session, right?
 - i. Technically. The goal is to get it established by next session.
 - ii. Yalamanchili: POI, it says that it goes into effect immediately, but when it is passed, it will end at the end of the 55th session in 2 weeks, which is not the goal.

3. Debate

- a. Brodie: The sixth Be It Further Resolved states that the creation of the caucus... I would recommend 2 things. I worry that if you have an annoying group of Senators that at the expiration of it that you have to wait until the caucus expires. We should add a line that allows the caucus to officialize.

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- b. Yalamanchili: Should we just remove that line to make sure that they can officialize?
 - i. Yes, and also ensure that we leave Arab Ad Hoc in the resolution. Also change resolution to legislation to make sure that it works for Senate rules. Also another piece of legislation will be needed to add the caucus to the agenda.
- c. Hameed: This will help more of the UCF community feel welcomed and represented. This will be very exciting to see what the ad hoc caucus gets done. I am voting in favor, urge you all to do the same.
- d. Pohlmann: I was with Haleema and I saw her work on it. She did a great job. The Arab community is underrepresented. Voting in favor.
- 4. Vote
 - a.
 - ii. [Resolution 55-31](#) [Resolution to Create an Ad Hoc Caucus for Sustainability]
 - 1. Speech
 - a.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a.
 - 3. Debate
 - a.
 - 4. Vote
 - a. **6-0-1 Passed Favorably**
- c. Absences –
 - i. Elise Butler
 - 1. Speeches:
 - a. For last week's meeting, she had a stressful day and needed to study for her physics test. She was sorry that she could not attend.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Hurst: Is this a mental health day?

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- i. I assume
- 3. Debate
 - a. Hameed: I am taking this as a mental health day because physics is mentally draining.
- 4. Voting:
 - a. **5-0-1 Absence Request Approved**
- ii. Joshua Contti
 - 1. Speeches:
 - a. This is for 29th of Feb. This is for work. He provided documentation of his work schedule which shows he works at the SU and has a shift from 10pm-2am.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. None.
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Traynor: I didn't know SU had shifts until 2am.
 - i. Mittal: They put the chairs away.
 - 4. Voting:
 - a. **5-0-1 Absence Request Approved**
- iii. Adam Caringal
 - 1. Speeches:
 - a. This is for today's Senate meeting. They are doing a military event at McDill Airforce Base and starts at 11pm, but they leave at 5pm to get there on time. They provided the details of the march.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. None.
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Hameed: Thank you for your service, king. I will be voting in favor.
 - 4. Voting:
 - a. **5-0-1 Absence Request Approved**
- iv. Vihan Yalamanchili
 - 1. Speeches:

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- a. This was for the 22nd of Feb. I submitted this last Thursday, exactly 10 business days. I participated in competition for Model UN from the 22nd to the 25th. The conference began at 7pm on Thursday, so I wasn't there. I left to Tallahassee at 12pm. I provided documentation from our faculty advisor for this conference.
- 2. Questioning
 - a. Hameed: Did you win?
 - i. No, I did not. What sucks is that the simulation was a Star Wars simulation. Not winning was embarrassing and hurt my pride!
- 3. Debate
 - a. Hameed: MUN Slay! Even though you didn't win. I will be voting.
- 4. Voting:
 - a. **5-0-1 Absence Request Approved**
- v. Carlos Acosta
 - 1. Speeches:
 - a. This is for last week's meeting. He said that he was doing Senior Design. He gave documentation of glass with text on glass.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. None.
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Hameed: His project helps to identify colors using lasers. They are meant to be glasses. My boy Carlos always be eating it up with his senior design. It's tough. I will be voting in favor.
 - 4. Voting:
 - a. **6-0-0 Absence Request Approved**
- vi. Andrea Vasquez
 - 1. Speeches:

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- a. A close friend of theirs got in a bad car accident and called for their help, she needed to be there to physically and emotionally support her friend at the time.
- 2. Questioning
 - a. None.
- 3. Debate
 - a. None.
- 4. Voting:
 - a. **6-0-0 Absence Request Approved**
- vii. Jason Whitson
 - 1. Speeches:
 - a. This absence request is for initial roll call. They have to attend a BMES General Body meeting. This is the last day before elections, and I am running for Treasurer. They provided documentation of the general body meeting, which is happening at 6pm tonight.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. None.
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Hameed: I am in this club. That is very true that we have a meeting that I am not going to. I forgot that you could submit a request for it. This is a great opportunity for networking and I know that he doesn't get to go to a lot of general body meetings. I will be voting in favor.
 - 4. Voting:
 - a. **5-0-1 Absence Request Approved**

12. Member Discussion-

- a. None.

13. Miscellaneous Business-

- a. Yalamanchili: I have an idea... I am thinking – we have 2 more LJR meetings. Could we use one of them to have a fun meeting? Like an LJR social or a Senate Social? What do you all think of that?

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- i. **Moved to informal at 4:57pm**
- ii. **Moved to formal at 4:59pm**

14. Adjournment: 4:59 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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