



MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 0:00 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum (8): 9/13

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Vasquez	sgagap@ucf.edu	P	P
Vice-Chair Varela	Sgsci15@ucf.edu	P	P
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Senator Barrios	sga_grst2@ucf.edu	E	E
Senator Gumerov	sga_ecs4@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Greene	sga_nur1@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Candiloro	sga_sci3@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Hameed	sga_ecs5@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Corelli	sga_ba1@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Fuchs	sga_sci7@ucf.edu	E	E
LJR Representative	sga_ljr@ucf.edu	A	A
Pro Tempore Representative	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	P
Governmental Affairs Coordinator	sga_govaffairs@ucf.edu	A	A

1. Approval of the Agenda: [05/22/24](#)
 - a. Approved by GC

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2. Approval of the minutes:
 - a. Approved by GC
3. Open Forum:
 - a. Carmody: Kylie and I have worked with y'all for several years. Session won't start until March of 2025, committees start right after November elections. We would love to be a resource to help you voice your opinion on issues. Students tend to be very vocal on voting rights initiatives. Republican legislature tends to be wary of students, but common-sense voting ideas tend to get attention and support. Other common areas of interest for students are textbook affordability, healthcare access and medicine access. Come to us with any issues the student body is facing. The legislature works on two-year cycles so it's important to remember this when pushing for initiatives. 2025 is the first year of the two-year cycle.
 - b. Kylie: I used to be GAC three years ago. Met with Polera numerous times about DATC. I used to come to GAO every single day. Mentored former GAP chair Temple. Don't be scared to reach out. I encourage a lot of collaboration and realistic ideas for DATC.
 - a. Varela: Housing prices, for students, and car insurance pricing expenses for students, county toll issues, I pay about \$20 in tolls every month, it is a difficult expense for students.
 - b. Gumerov: I also have to go through tolls 4 days a week, I do get toll relief, I got no notification,
 - c. Carmony: These were supposed to go to accounts automatically and see if you qualify.
 - d. Gumerov: Commuter specific passes
 - e. Hameed: Speaking with Safety and Transportation Coordinator to establish passes for commuter students \$10 cards, perhaps.
 - f. Greene: Access to housing is a larger issue for satellite campuses like Daytona Beach. Research housing disparities, issue for Daytona campus as well.
 - g. Gumerov: Apartment complex designed for UCF students are occupied by students that don't need to live that close to campus.
 - h. Carmody: Live Local by Sen Passidomo was meant to create more affordable housing. The legislature may be able to find some sort of solution to incentivize building affordable housing within 2 miles of campus.
 - i. Kylie: Most common #1 issue for Floridians is property and car insurance so it's likely to be discussed in the 2025 session.

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- j. Lazo: Each time you apply, it's a fee that's non-refundable and can't get waived. Easy to rack on lots of costs by applying to many apartments which is often necessary.
- k. Vasquez: Last session we tried to meet with students 1 on 1 to see what legislative topics they want us to talk about. Tabled at least once a week to learn what the students needed.
- l. Hameed: Students complain about DNI changes. Probably too much to reverse changes but a conversation should be had with the legislature about DNI changes that harm student and student orgs.
- m. Carmody: We can weigh in on that. Tallahassee will not be a receptive audience as the Governor, and legislators have a negative view on DNI programs.
- n. Kylie: Meetings with appointed GAC Polera have taken place to discuss ways to get better student engagement. An idea could be to do an internal and external survey. The external would be short and the internal would be longer. Showing up in person to classes and clubs and providing an incentive for filling out the survey.
- o. Carmody: Use an athlete or campus celebrity to promote surveys.
- p. Vasquez: What specifically does Gray-Robinson do for UCF.
- q. Carmody: We play a lot of defense for the university to stop bad bills from getting across. On offense we run with whatever y'all bring us. We also help a lot with scheduling for DATC.

- c. Announcements from the Chair:
 - a. Good afternoon, everyone! I am very excited for today's meeting, I wanted to thank our guests from Gray Robinson for coming in today, and sharing valuable information with us, and being here to answer any question the committee might have. I want to encourage committee members to speak and engage in polite and respectful discourse, following appropriate
 - b. Meeting with Amanda Dever this week, meeting with Speaker and Pro Temp this week to discuss ideas and GAP plans.
 - c. Sent an email to Renee Johnston, a coordinator in the iSTEM department at UCF, she organizes UCF STEM Day, where over 1,000 local K-12 students come to UCF and engage with STEM related RSOs and Departments, she has contacts from

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Orange and Seminole county she can share with me to make our initiative on visiting local high schools to increase voter engagement happen.

- d. Expand and discuss ideas for voter engagement.
 4. Announcements from the Vice Chair:
 - a. Hello everyone, I hope you are all having a good week. First, I want to shout out UCF baseball for making the NCAA tournament in their first season in the BIG 12. It's an incredible achievement.
 - b. Next, I want to encourage everyone to listen attentively to our guest speaker. They have a wealth of knowledge about all things Florida politics so please don't hesitate to ask any questions you may have about the legislature.
 5. Announcements from Committee Members:
 - a.
 6. Announcements from Non-Committee Members:
 - a.
 7. Old Business:
 - a. Bills:
 - i. None.
 - b. Resolutions:
 - i. None.
 8. New Business:
 - a. National Voter Registration Day Grant
 - i. I have been in communication with the organizer of this grant, and he has advised me of a grant that would be more applicable to us opening in June, so I will share more information about applying, once I have it.
 - ii. <https://nationalvoterregistrationday.org/about/>
- Civic Engagement Event Ideas:
- iii. Hameed: TikTok trend copying
 - iv. Richmond: Ice Cream Social with democrats and republicans
 - v. Richmond: Pet the pups but with voter registration
 - vi. Greene: Donut social
 - vii. Varela: Stations with stamps and then a prize
 - viii. Shen: American food social
 - ix. Gumerov: Stations with a prize. Popsicles?
 - x. Gumerov: Food with fun fact
 - xi. Vasquez/Varela: Orientation presence

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9. Member Discussion:

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10. Miscellaneous Business:

a. Ice Breaker:

i.

11. Final Roll Call: 10/13

12. Adjournment: 0:00PM

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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