## **MEETING AGENDA**

1. Call to Order: 3:00 PM

2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 5/7 (4)

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Metellus	Sgblackcaucus1@ucf.edu	Р	Р
Vice Chair Courts	sga_sci5@ucf.edu	P	Р
Pro Tempore Morissette	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	Р
DLEG Butler	sga_dleg@ucf.edu	E	E
Senator Beneche	sga_sci2@ucf.edu	P	Р
Senator Johnson	sgachps6@ucf.edu	Р	Р
Coordinator Malone	sga_gfx1@ucf.edu	E	E

3. Approval of the Minutes: 7/26/24 Approved by GC

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- 5. Open Forum.
  - a. None.
- 6. Announcements from the Chair Metellus
  - a. Hi everyone!! I hope you all had an amazing week. This meeting, we'll continue with black business month updates and initiative updates. I also wanted to inform those that weren't at last night's Senate meeting that a white senator by the name of Vice Chair Memory was seen and heard saying a racial slur that is used against black people. I, as both an SG Senator who witnessed and experienced this action, and as the chair of this Caucus, will do everything in my power to make sure that this Senator will not have a seat in that Senate Chamber anymore. I just spoke to Speaker Pohlman not to long before this meeting and she told me that she will be meeting with him this evening on the topic of resigning and will update on me on whether or not he resigns. However, in case of the event of him not resigning, I will

still go into detail on the Censure and Removal statute process during member discussion. Remember to check teams often and let me know if you will be absent for a meeting or tardy. Thank you guys!

- 7. Announcements from the Vice Chair Courts
  - a. Hey guys !! I hope that everyone is well on this great Friday, and even better knowing that we have this mini break!
  - b. I know that we were all affected by what we heard last night, and even so I do wish to also extend my apologies as a member of Senate Exec. I know that the Branch Heads and Advisors have a course of action that they are taking, and I hope that the situation is handled as efficiently and effectively as possible.
  - c. If the situation is not handled how we want it, I need to have conversations with the Advisors about how I am going to navigate impartiality as I am first and foremost the LJR Chair and any subsequent processes are at the discretion of me and my committee. Thank you for understanding, and I am sorry that I am not speak as freely as I would like.
- 8. Announcements from Committee Members
  - a. Pro Temp Morissette: Tonight me, Speaker Pohlmann, and Brodie are meeting with Memory and we will be able to share what happens within that meeting afterward.
- 9. Announcements from Non-Committee Members
  - a. None.
- 10. Old Business
  - a. Proclamations
    - i. None.
  - b. Initiatives
    - i. None.
  - c. Concern Form
    - i. None.

- 11. New Business
  - a. Proclamations
    - i. None.
  - b. Initiative Updates
    - i. Beneche: Black Mentorship Program
      - 1. None.
    - ii. Metellus: Black Voter Outreach
      - 1. Encouraging Voter Engagement & Registration
        - Hosting Voter Information/Education event with NPHC and/or BSU and GAP
          - Chair Metellus: Still trying to set up meeting with NHPC and BSU and plan on inviting GAP to said meeting, but due to scheduling conflicts I will have to send out another when3meet
            - 1. Beneche: Will we be able to attend this meeting?
              - a. Chair Metellus: I kind of want it to be a personal meeting with leadership so we can get to know each other.
                - i. Beneche: Okay that makes sense.

- 2. Black Caucus Member at GAP's Election and Voting Related Event
  - a. None.
- 3. Johnson: Juneteenth Recognized as a UCF Holiday
  - a. Johnson: I found the Proclamation, have not been able to find contact info if you could help me. My life has been a little crazy but in Fall I will be on my game just give me 10-12 weeks.
- iii. Metellus: Black Owned Restaurants in Local Restaurant Row
  - 1. August
    - a. Meeting Notes.
    - b. Aramark is in the process of process of scheduling tasting, inspections, etc. with potential vendors.
      - Chair Metellus- Will ask for update next week. If I don't get an email by the end of today, I will be following up on Monday.

- 2. February
  - a. No updates.
- iv. Metellus: BSU & NPHC Monthly Meetings
  - Chair Metellus- Due to response times and scheduling conflicts, I will send out another when to meet to meet the week before school starts.
- c. Concern Form
  - i. None
- 12. Member Discussion-
  - Black Business Showcase Move to Informal: Approved by GC
    - 1. Black Business Showcase Notes.docx
  - ii. Upcoming Black UCF Events
    - 1. Black Student Union Convocation, week after showcase
      - a. Be at the Pegasus Ballroom by 6
      - b. Dress Code: Evening Attire
  - iii. Ex-Officio/Student at Large Seat(s)
    - 1. Will speak about closer to Fall Semester
      - a. I will send out email week we come back.
  - iv. Fall Bi-Weekly Meetings When 2 Meet
    - 1. Fill out ASAP
  - v. Censorship and Removal of Vice Chair Memory
    - 1. Chair Metellus- I am starting the Censure Process against Vice Chair Memory and recommending that Tier III Penal Action of Removal from appointed office is placed against him. This process is listed in TITLE IX: THE ENFORCEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY STATUTES Chapter 905 through Chapter 910. I encourage those of you that want him removed and are willing and able to express your support of his removal to speak in Open Forum during the LJR meeting related to this situation. Also during Senate Open Forum, if you're not a Senator, or during questioning and debate of this Censure if you are a Senator

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- a. Censor Process is more appropriate for this situation and faster than the impeachment process.
- b. Emailing a statement to the Black RSOs
  - i. Chair Metellus- Would have to run this through branch heads before release.
    - Kind of saying that we know and acknowledge what happened. I know that the word is starting to spread, and I want to release something official so that they know we care. Don't want it to be swept under the rug. I will speak with Branch Heads after this meeting to see how the branch heads feel about me releasing a statement to the Black RSOs
      - a. Johnson: Would we be including his name?
        - Metellus: I don't think it's really necessary.
        - ii. Beneche: From a professional standpoint it's better to remain cordial
        - iii. Johnson: Yes, I agree.
        - iv. GC Agrees
      - b. Beneche: I agree with your sentiment of not sweeping under the rug because this happened in a public setting. It was offensive but it also makes us all look bad. I'm sure that black people at UCF want to know what UCFSG's thoughts are and if we condemn and I can't officially say anything right now.
        - Metellus: For sure. Nothing like a call for defamation, but an acknowledgement
        - ii. Johnson: I can see both sides, in the past we have had a UCFSG member who said

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something controversial on Fox News and UCF was under fire for a little. I understand that we are in the State of Florida, and bad publication can really harm UCF's image. By hiding it, it probably will exacerbate the issue.

## 13. Miscellaneous Business-

- a. What is one good thing that happened in the past week?
  - i. Metellus: This whole week was pretty good, my mental health has been great. Gymming, working, Summer classes are over and I have more free time. I was excited for this weekend because I was going to be free, but not free anymore.
  - ii. Beneche: Nothing has happened this week yet, but tomorrow I get to go home because I miss my family
  - iii. Morissette: Finally back in Orlando, got my RA placement which is Hercules and that's where I was freshman year.
  - iv. Courts: Last final today, lease starts in two days
  - v. Jonhson: My boyfriend and I have been dating for officially 5 months.
- b. Moved to formal: Approved by GC
- 14. Final Roll Call: 5/7 (4)
- 15. Adjournment: 3:40 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