



MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 3:03 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 5/6 (4)

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Courts	sga_ljr@ucf.edu	P	P
Vice Chair Collazo	sga_sci4@ucf.edu	P	P
ILA Al-Qudah	sga_sci1@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator DiChiara	sgacie2@ucf.edu	E	E
Senator Naguib	sgachps4@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Blessman	sga_cah3@ucf.edu	A	A
Pro Tempore Representative Morissette	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	E

3. Approval of the Minutes: [09.04.24](#) **Approved by GC**
4. Approval of the Agenda: **Approved by GC**
5. Open Forum.
 - a. None.
6. Announcements from the Chair Courts-
 - a. Hey guys! Hello and happy Wednesday!! Today we will be seeing 9 absence requests and one blanket excuse request. We will also be like hardcore planning the event that we are hoping to hold in October.
 - b. We will also be reading Senate Rules 4 and 5, and that is really it for today. Make sure to remember who to email if you need to miss your dean meetings!
7. Announcements from the Vice Chair Collazo-
 - a. Hi everyone!
8. Announcements from Committee Members-
 - a. LJR (GAP) Rep: None

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- b. LJR (E&A) Rep: No meeting this week
- c. LJR (SBA) Rep: SBA passed 3 Proclamations
- 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. None.
 - b. Resolutions and Special Acts
 - i. None.
 - c. Absences ([Supporting Documentation](#))
 - i. Motion for S-Q-D: 3-3-3 **Approved by GC**
 - ii. Chair Courts: MTB Fall-24-012 & 021, **Approved by GC**
 - 1. Absence Request FALL-24-012: Stephen Levine
 - a. Speech
 - i. Senator Levine: Last Thursday and This Thursday, my fraternity had their rush events during Senate. I cannot come after the rush because I am on the executive board. The meeting could last until 11PM.
 - b. Questioning
 - i. ILA Al-Qudah: Could you explain what you do after Rush?
 - 1. Senator Levine: We discuss the breakdown of the event.
 - ii. Pro Tempore Morissette: How far in advance did you know about these events?

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1. Senator Levine: Our dates got switched. We originally had Wednesday and Friday. I found out about this two weeks ago.
 - c. Debate
 - i. ILA Al-Qudah: This is clearly a prior engagement. I will be voting in favor
 - d. Vote
 - i. 3-0-2, **Approved by LJR**
2. Absence Request FALL-24-021: Stephen Levine
 - a. Speech
 - i. Seen as a block with FALL-24-012.
 - b. Questioning
 - i. None.
 - c. Debate
 - i. None.
 - d. Vote
 - i. 3-0-2, **Approved by LJR**
3. Absence Request FALL-24-013: Nadav Shanun
 - a. Speech
 - i. Chair Courts: I was presenting at an RSO event as I am an officer there.
 - b. Questioning
 - i. Pro Tempore Morissette: Do we know how long the meeting went for?
 1. Courts: No.
 - ii. ILA Al-Qudah: MTD, **Approved by GC**
 - c. Debate
 - i. ILA Al-Qudah: I will be voting in favor.
 - d. Vote
 - i. 4-0-1, **Approve by LJR**
4. Absence Request FALL-24-014: Khushi Chauhan
 - a. Speech
 - i. Chair Courts: I have a doctor's appointment on Thursday at 3:15 pm, however, it is in my hometown of Lakeland, which is 2 hours away, and typically my ophthalmology appointment can take ~2 hours to finish. I have to get monitored by this specific doctor

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every 6-12 months because of a potential condition I may have. I have had this appointment scheduled for a while and the doctor's office isn't open on Fridays. This was the only time that worked in my schedule. I can provide a doctor's note after the appointment to show proof of it. For now, as supporting documentation, I will provide the text message I received from the office reminding me of the appointment.

- b. Questioning
 - i. ILA Al-Qudah: MTD, **Approved by GC**
- c. Debate
 - i. ILA Al-Qudah: It is a doctor's appointment. I will be voting in favor.
 - ii. Senator Naguib: MTV, **Approved by GC**
- d. Vote
 - i. 4-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
- 5. Chair Courts: MTB Fall-24-015 & 016, **Approve by GC**
- 6. Absence Request FALL-24-015: Jaci Lim
 - a. Speech
 - i. Senator Lim: I just joined Knight-thon. I have two onboarding sessions to attend. And a hospital visit.
 - b. Questioning
 - i. Pro Tempore Morissette: When did you join the knight-thon committee?
 - 1. Senator Lim: The interview was last week. And I found out this week.
 - ii. Pro Tempore Morissette: MTD, **Approved by GC**
 - c. Debate
 - i. ILA AL-Qudah: This is a prior engagement. I will be voting in favor.
 - ii. Pro Tempore Morissette: MTV, **Approved by GC**
 - d. Vote
 - i. 4-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
- 7. Absence Request FALL-24-016: Jaci Lim
 - a. Speech
 - i. Seen as a block with FALL-24-015.

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- b. Questioning
 - i. None.
 - c. Debate
 - i. None.
 - d. Vote
 - i. 4-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
8. Absence Request FALL-24-017: Katrina Gumerov
- a. Speech
 - i. Chair Courts: I have a concert that starts at 7 pm. I booked the tickets back all the way in July. (Do not judge me for sexy red)
 - b. Questioning
 - i. Senator Naguib: MTD, **Approved by GC**
 - c. Debate
 - i. Pro Tempore Morissette: Looking at the precedent sheet. I think this is one of those instances where a senator should just take the absence. I will be voting in negation.
 - ii. VC Collazo: Agrees with Pro Temp, voting in negation. Previously requests were seen for excusal of Pegasus Palooza Concert, and we denied it.
 - d. Vote
 - i. 0-3-2, **Denied by LJR.**
9. MTB FALL-24-018 & 019 , **Approved by GC**
10. Absence Request FALL-24-018: Meriam Naguib
- a. Speech
 - i. Senator Naguib: I will be taking my GRE next week. The person who helps me does it for free, so I have to go by her set schedule. The test dates pop up whenever.
 - b. Questioning
 - i. Pro Tempore Morissette: What is a GRE?
 - 1. Graduate Record Examination
 - ii. Pro Tempore Morissette: What is the difference between the absence requests?
 - 1. Reviewing next week and this week.
 - iii. Pro Tempore Morissette: MTD, **Approved by GC**

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- c. Debate
 - i. Pro Tempore Morissette: voting in favor. Out of the normal because we don't normally approval study sessions, but it is out of her control.
- d. Vote
 - i. 3-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
- 11. Absence Request FALL-24-019: Meriam Neguib
 - a. Speech
 - i. Seen as a block with FALL-24-018.
 - b. Questioning
 - i. None.
 - c. Debate
 - i. None.
 - d. Vote
 - i. 3-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
- iii. Blanket Excuses
 - 1. Absence Request FALL-24-020: Tyler Borges
 - a. Speech
 - i. Borges: Hello! I was recently accepted into an internship program with the Department of State. This internship is in Washington, D.C., and will be from September 23rd until November 29th. With that being said, I will not be able to attend any in-person Senate meetings during this time. If there are any hybrid or virtual sessions, I will gladly join them and be active in them. I have already had several meetings with RSOs and individuals this fall semester to go over their funding, and I plan to do several more meetings even while I am in D.C. I still plan to be a readily available resource if anyone needs anything from me, and will work on making sure I can attend my committee meetings and fulfill all other requirements of me as a Senator. This internship is an incredible opportunity for me to work within the federal government and make connections not commonly available to Hospitality students, as so many of them tend to focus on more traditional areas like the hotel and theme

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park industries. I was given the tentative offer on March 6th, 2024 (which was during last session before the election, so before I became a Senator again) and have been planning to complete this internship ever since, making this seem to be a prior engagement covered under the LJR Precedent Sheet for this session.

b. Questioning

- i. ILA Al-Qudah: Did he let anyone know that he was going to have an internship when he ran for senate?
 1. Chair Court: I am not aware if he did or did not.
- ii. Pro Tempore Morissette: Length of the Internship?
 1. Chair Courts: September 23rd to November 29th
- iii. VC Collazo: MTD, **Approved by GC**

c. Debate

- i. VC Collazo: Voting in negation. Thinks the senator is misinterpreting precedence standards for prior engagement. Recommends either a sign over or resignation. Doesn't believe you can fully execute duties without showing up to Senate. Recognizes drive and determination but should allow internship to take priority.
- ii. ILA Al-Qudah: I want to reiterate what VC Collazo said; I believe he is interpreting what prior engagement means. I think he should have disclosed that he had an internship before running for Senate. I see his motivation by I do not think it is enough. I think he should consider signing over.
- iii. Pro Tempore Morissette: I will be voting in negation. This individual holds an A&SF Seat, and these meetings are not virtual.

d. Vote

- i. 0-3-2, **Denied by LJR**

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12. Miscellaneous Business- Motion to Move to Informal: **Approved by GC**

- a. Reading Senate Rules 4 and 5
- b. [LJR in the Fall](#)

13. Member Discussion-

- a. Senate Rules Reading and Updates
 - i. **Icebreaker: What month would you be?**
 - ii. **Chair Courts: October**
 - iii. **ILA Al-Qudah: December**
 - iv. **Senator Naguib: February**
 - v. **AG Polera: December**
 - vi. **VC Collazo: November**
 - vii. **GAP Chair: May**
- b. [New Student Orientation](#)
 - i. **Anything else to add so new senators can be active and remain in compliance?**

14. Final Roll Call: 4/6 **(4)**

15. Adjournment: 3:57 PM

Key:

P - Present

A - Absent

MTD - Move to Debate

MTV - Move to Vote

MTA- Move to Amend

MTB- Move to see as a Block

Motion for S-Q-D- Time for Speeches, Questioning and Debate

PP - Postpone

PPI - Postpone Indefinitely

GC - General Consent

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