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MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 3:03 PM

2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 6/7 (4)

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Courts	sga_ljr@ucf.edu	Р	Р
Vice Chair Collazo	sga_sci4@ucf.edu	Р	Р
ILA Al-Qudah	sga_sci1@ucf.edu	Р	Р
Senator DiChiara	sgacie2@ucf.edu	Р	Р
Senator Naguib	sgachps4@ucf.edu	Α	А
Senator Blessman	sga_cah3@ucf.edu	A	А
Senator Gaudio	sgaecs9@ucf.edu	Р	Р
Pro Tempore Representative Morissette	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	Р

3. Approval of the Minutes: 09.11.24 Approved by GC

4. Approval of the Agenda: Approved by GC

- Open Forum.
 - a. None.
- 6. Announcements from the Chair Courts
 - a. Hello everyone! Today we are going to see 5 absences, read rules 6 and 7, and since we have a new member this is the perfect time to revisit our precedence sheet.
- 7. Announcements from the Vice Chair Collazo
 - a. None.
- 8. Announcements from Committee Members
 - a. LJR (GAP) Rep: None.

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- b. LJR (E&A) Rep: Trying to decide whether or not to switch our meeting time.
- c. LJR (SBA) Rep: SBA did not meet this week.
- d. Pro Tempore: Fiscal Training, if you haven't done it.
- 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)
 - Motion for S-Q-D: 5-5-5, Approved by GC
 - 1. Absence Request FALL-24-022: Zara Hashimi
 - a. Speech
 - i. Chair Courts: I am the PR Director of Pakistani Student Association, who are having their first general body meeting at the time of the Senate meeting. I am in charge of presenting the slides as well as setting up and cleaning up the meeting space. Therefore, I will unfortunately not be able to attend Senate.
 - b. Questioning
 - i. Pro Tempore Morissette: MTD, Approved by GC
 - c. Debate
 - Pro Tempore Morissette: This is a good example of a required RSO event. She's on the e-board. I will be voting in favor
 - d. Vote

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- i. 5-0-1, Approved by LJR
- 2. Absence Request FALL-24-023: Keiran Connolly
 - a. Speech
 - i. Chair Courts: I had a really bad migraine and needed to leave early
 - b. Questioning
 - i. ILA Al-Qudah: MTD, Approved by GC
 - c. Debate
 - i. ILA Al-Qudah: I totally think it's better to leave Senate when you have a migraine. But I am worried at the precedent we are going to set by approving absence with
 - ii. Senator Gaudio: I agree with ILA-Qudah. I will be abstaining.
 - d. Vote
 - i. 3-0-2, Approved by LJR
- 3. Absence Request FALL-24-024: Adam Caringal
 - a. Speech
 - i. Chair Courts: I will be absent that week on military orders. I will be out that whole week from 10/21-25 doing my flight medical in Ohio. I do not currently have the orders as they are usually released the week prior, but I can give them if required at a later date. Just wanted to submit this now as I know I'm gonna forget later IoI. I've attached the email notifying us of our dates.
 - b. Questioning
 - i. ILA Al-Qudah: MTD, Approved by GC
 - c. Debate
 - i. ILA Al-Qudah: I think this is a good example of Military Orders. Unavoidable. I will be voting in favor.
 - ii. Pro Tempore Morissette: MTV, Approved by GC
 - d. Vote
 - i. 5-0-1, Approved by LJR
- 4. Absence Request FALL-24-025: Isha Patel
 - a. Speech

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i. Chair Courts: I hope this message finds you well. I wanted to inform you that due to my demanding exam schedule this week, I will need to leave the upcoming Senate meeting early and will be unable to attend the final roll call. This week, I had both an Immunology and a Neurobiology exam. Tomorrow, on September 13th, I have an Organic Chemistry exam and an early morning Immunology lab quiz, which requires preparation. Given these academic commitments, I need the evening to study for my Organic Chemistry exam and ensure I'm adequately prepared. I appreciate your understanding. Thank you for your consideration.

b. Questioning

- i. VC Collazo: MTD, Approved by GC
- ii. Pro Tempore: Question to the Committee, if the Senator had submitted absence at the beginning of the semester instead of the now, would you be more inclined to approve it?
 - Senator Gaudio: I would not, I find the reasoning for the absence flawed regardless and the fault of poor time management and would be inclined to vote against regardless. I believe it would set a poor precedent which could be expanded or abused in the future.
 - ILA Al-Qudah; While I would appreciate the fact that it was submitted much prior to the date, it would not really change my position in being inclined to approve the request. The senator only requested excusal for final roll call which I think is more than reasonable during midterm season.

iii. Chair Courts: MTD

c. Debate

 VC Collazo: I have a little bit of concern about this absence request. The approval of this request may establish a precedent of leaving senate to study,

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- which I believe is more of a time management thing. Last week, we saw a request of a senator that had to meet with their tutor which I view as more of a commitment with another individual. I will be voting in negation.
- ii. Senator Gaudio: I agree with VC Collazo. The exam date was posted at the beginning of the semester based on the supporting documents.
- iii. ILA Al-Qudah: While I understand the concerns, however with-it being midterm season. These things tend to pile up. I think we should be more sympathetic. I will be voting in favor.
- iv. Chair Court: MTQ
- v. Pro Tempore: MTV, Approved by GC
- d. Vote
 - i. 3-2-1, Approved by LJR
- 5. Absence Request FALL-24-026: Danishka Morissette
 - a. Speech
 - i. Pro Tempore Morissette: Resident Assistant In-Service (training), mandated by contract signed back in May. Received dates since the first week of August, didn't submit an absence request prior because I was hopeful the training would end in time, and it did not. ELA Richmond and Student Assistant Mcnutt also attended this training.
 - b. Questioning
 - i. ILA Al-Qudah: MTD, Approved by GC
 - c. Debate
 - i. ILA Al-Qudah: This is clearly a required commitment. Voting in favor.
 - ii. ILA Al-Qudah: MTV, Approved by GC
 - d. Vote
 - i. 4-0-2, Approved by LJR
- ii. Blanket Excuses
 - 1. None.

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- 12. Miscellaneous Business
 - a. Clarifying the Constitution and Legislative Workshop
- 13. Member Discussion- Motion to move to informal, Approved by GC
 - a. Senate Rules Reading and Updates
 - b. Precedence Sheet
 - c. Motion to move back to formal, Approved by GC
- 14. Final Roll Call: Same as initial 6/7 (4)
- 15. Adjournment: 4:05 PM

Key:

P - Present

A - Absent

E - Excused

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