



# LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

UCF Student Government  
LJR Committee Meeting  
Charge on Chamber  
10/16/2024  
3:00 PM

## MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 3:01 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 7/6 (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	P	P
Senator Naguib	sgachps4@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Gaudio	sgaec9@ucf.edu	P	P
Pro Tempore Representative Morissette	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	E

3. Approval of the Minutes: [10.02.2024](#) **Approved by GC**
4. Approval of the Agenda: **Approved by GC**
5. Announcements from the Chair Courts-
  - a. Hey guys, I hope that all of you and your families are well after the hurricane. Bear with me, as today will be a bit of a longer meeting. We will be seeing 4 internal bills, 14 absences, a blanket excuse, and we will be practicing running our event next week.
  - b. Remember that it is from 3-5pm next Wednesday in here, and that there will be pizza.
  - c. Our retreat is this Saturday from 9-5. If you are not able to make it, you need to submit an absence request as it works the same as it would if you were to miss a regular Senate meeting.
6. Announcements from the Vice Chair Collazo-
  - a. Hi everyone! The excel sheet is up to date. Please take the time to review it because we have different types of absence requests today and it is important you are making an informed decision

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- b. Additionally, I submit meeting minutes almost immediately after every meeting, so if you want to make any changes to the minutes they have to (1) be done before the end of the meeting and (2) approved by me. So, moving forward, please do not make any changes to the minutes after adjournment and if you are to make changes to the minutes during the meeting **bold** your changes.
7. Announcements from Committee Members-
  - a. LJR (GAP) Rep:
  - b. LJR (E&A) Rep: We saw two internal bills this morning, and one confirmation
  - c. LJR (SBA) Rep: 3 Proclamations
8. Announcements from Non-Committee Members-
  - a. None.
9. Old Business-
  - a. Bills
    - i. None.
  - b. Resolutions
    - i. None.
  - c. Absences
    - i. MSQD: 3-3-3, **Approved by GC**
      1. [FALL-24-030](#): Kieran Conolly
        - a. Speech
          - i. Chair Courts: She provided documentation. Same reasoning as last meeting
        - b. Questioning
          - i. Senator Gaudio: MTD, **Approved by GC**
        - c. Debate
          - i. Senator Naguib: MTV, **Approved by GC**
        - d. Vote
          - i. 6-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
10. New Business-
  - a. Bills:
    - i. MSQD: 5-5-5 , **Approved by GC**
    - ii. [Internal Bill 56-12](#) [Updates to Title IV: Timeline for Appointments for the Student Body Senate] [Chair DiChiara]
      1. Speech
        - a. E&A Chair DiChiara: This bill was made because we have been behind on Senate appointments. There's is no timeline for appointments for when applications are submitted. I created a criterion for an approved candidate. If approved the President of

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designee must notify the Senate President, Pro Tempore and E&A Chair as to who the approved candidate is. I talked to Chief of Staff Blanco, and she would prefer a full week instead of 5 academic days.

## 2. Questioning

- a. ILA Al-Qudah: Would this take place before applying or after E&A
  - i. Once a person submits an application. The Chief of Staff has to schedule the interview within 5 academic days. The candidate as to meet the requirements
- b. Senator Gaudio: What if an interview is unable to be established?
  - i. That's more of a communication between the Chief of Staff and interviewee. Discretion of the Chief of Staff. It's about the candidate's availability.
- c. Pro Tempore Morissette: What is the difference between 5 academic days and a week?
  - i. It is hard to do calendar days. 5 Academics days is technically an academic week.
- d. ILA Al-Qudah: MTD, **Approved by GC**

## 3. Debate

- a. Senator Gaudio: I think there should be a process if an interview cannot be scheduled
- b. Pro Tempore Morissette: I will be voting in favor. DLEG has 5 academic days to write a bill.
- c. ILA Al-Qudah: I will be voting in favor. Provides a necessary timeline. MTV, **Approved by GC**

## 4. Vote

- a. 6-0-1, **Passes on First Reading**

### iii. [Internal Bill 56-14](#) [Updates to Title III: Timeline to Fill Vacant Positions] [Chair DiChiara]

#### 1. Speech

- a. E&A Chair DiChiara: This is another timeline thing. This will be affecting the ELA & ILA and Deputies. There is a timeline for Sergeant-at-arms but not the said positions. I used academic days.

#### 2. Questioning

- a. Senator Gaudio: Why ten academic days?
  - i. When the sergeant bill went through last year, the author thought it was sufficient amount of time. So, I modeled it after that.

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- b. Senator Al-Qudah; MTD, **Approved by GC**
  3. Debate
    - a. Senator Gaudio: I think that this makes sense. 10 days is reasonable. I will be voting in favor. MTV, **Approved by GC**
  4. Vote
    - a. 6-0-1, **Passes First Reading**
- iv. [Internal Bill 56-15](#) [Updates to Title V: Timeline to Fill Vacant Positions] [Chair DiChiara]
  1. Speech
    - a. E&A Chair DiChiara: This is the same bill as the previous but the Assistant Chiefs. I spoke to the Assistant Chief Justices, and they are okay with this.
  2. Questioning
    - a. Senator Gaudio: MTD, **Approved by GC**
  3. Debate
    - a. Senator Gaudio: MTV, **Approved by GC**
  4. Vote
    - a. 6-0-1, **Passes first Reading.**
- v. [Internal Bill 56-17](#) [Updates to Title IV: Timeline to Fill Vacant Positions] [Chair DiChiara]
  1. Speech
    - a. E&A Chair DiChiara: This one is for the presidential cabinet. If someone were to be removed or resign, they shall announce an appointment within 25 academic days. This about a calendar month. Gives them enough time.
  2. Questioning
    - a. Senator Gaudio: How did you get to 25-days verse 15 or 20?  
E&A Chair DiChiara: The President will go through many candidates they are meeting for the first time unlike the other branches.
    - b. Senator Gaudio: MTD, **Approved by GC**
  3. Debate
    - a. Senator Gaudio: I think 25 days is little much.
      - i. MTA [Change 25 days to 20 days], **Approved by GC**
      - ii. MSQD: 3-3-3, **Approved by GC**
        1. Speech:
          - a. Senator Gaudio: I believe that it should be 20 because it is still about 3 weeks. You

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don't remove someone on a whim. It gives you a week to collect names and two weeks for interviewing.

2. Questioning:
  - a. Pro Tempore Morissette: What if the president has to restart the process, do you still think 20 is enough?
    - i. Senator Gaudio: Yes, because you are looking at multiple people. A tighter deadline would allow for things to move quickly.
  - b. Pro Tempore Morissette: Your reasoning is to have a more formal and efficient process?
    - i. Senator Gaudio: Yes
3. Debate:
  - a. Senator Naguib: MTV, **Approved by GC**
4. Vote:
  - a. 1-3-3, **Amendment fails.**

b. Senator Naguib: MTV, **Approved by GC**

4. Vote

a. 6-0-1, **Passes first reading**

b. Absences ([Supporting Documentation](#))

i. MSQD: 3-3-3, **Approved by GC**

1. [FALL-24-032](#): Katrina Gumerov

a. Speech

i. Senator Gumerov: I am requesting for a half absence last meeting before the hurricane. I had an exam on Friday at 9:00 AM. I left at 11 PM or 11:20 PM.

b. Questioning

i. Senator Gaudio: MTD, **Approved by GC**

c. Debate

i. Senator Gaudio: We've approved something like this before. MTV, **Approved by GC**

d. Vote

i. 5-0-2, **Approved by LJR**

2. [FALL-24-033](#): Elise Butler

a. Speech

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- i. Chair Courts: I am going to an interview dinner and it happens to be the same time as senate (7pm). Attending this event is a great opportunity for me to advance my career. Following an on-campus interview with Walmart representatives on October 3, 2024, at noon, I was invited to dinner to further discuss my qualifications. This presents a valuable chance for me to gain insights into potential career paths and connect with industry professionals. I hope you understand the importance of this opportunity for my professional development and will consider approving this absence request.
      - b. Questioning
        - i. ILA Al-Qudah: MTD, **Approved by GC**
      - c. Debate
        - i. Pro Tempore Morrissette: I can lean either way.
        - ii. Senator Gaudio: I think this is an engagement of the professional type. Seeing as this was offered after their interview, I think it could be under prior engagement.
        - iii. ILA Al-Qudah: I will be voting favor. It is important to prioritize professional development. MTV, **Approved by GC**
      - d. Vote
        - i. 5-0-2, **Approved by LJR**
  - 3. [FALL-24-034](#): Laurel Richmond
    - a. Speech
      - i. Senator Richmond: I had to do room checks sadly. I had to do it with the concurrence of my co-worker.
    - b. Questioning
      - i. ILA Al-Qudah: MTD, **Approved by GC**
    - c. Debate
      - i. Senator Naguib: MTV, **Approved by GC**
    - d. Vote
      - i. 6-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
  - 4. [FALL-24-035](#): Camila Gimenez Valero
    - a. Speech
      - i. Chair Courts: I can't afford to take the day off work and will be scheduled that day. I'll send a screenshot of my schedule when it is available to me.

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**Chair Courts: sga\_ljr@ucf.edu**



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- b. Questioning
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  - c. Debate
    - i. Senator Naguib: MTV, **Approved by GC**
  - d. Vote
    - i. 6-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
5. [FALL-24-036](#): Michael Shen
- a. Speech
    - i. Senator Shen: This is for the Senate retreat. So, I will not be for the morning portion of the retreat. I am requesting a half absence. I have a point system at work like Senate. I work at Disney.
  - b. Questioning
    - i. Senator Naguib: MTD, **Approved by GC**
  - c. Debate
    - i. ILA Al-Qudah: I will be voting in favor. Planning the retreat is tricky because we can't get everyone to attend. MTV, **Approved by GC**
  - d. Vote
    - i. 6-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
6. [FALL-24-037](#): Ryan Kaufman
- a. Speech
    - i. Senator Kaufman: Tomorrow's Senate meeting. I am a part of an RSO called Student Spotlight. I've been working on this for 9 weeks. We put on 15 student run plays.
  - b. Questioning
    - i. Senator Gaudio: MTD, **Approved by GC**
  - c. Debate
    - i. Senator Gaudio: MTV, **Approved by GC**
  - d. Vote
    - i. 6-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
7. [FALL-24-041](#): Katrina Wangen
- a. Speech
    - i. Chair Courts: I will be attending the first wrestling meet of the season, our preseason dual, on October 19th. The schedule just came out and this meet got moved from October 26th, otherwise I would have made this request earlier, but it is an expectation that I attend and compete.

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    - i. Senator Gaudio: MTV, **Approved by GC**
  - d. Vote
    - i. 6-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
8. [FALL-24-039](#): Amanda Lazo
- a. Speech
    - i. DSR Lazo: I am attending a seminar called Florida Legal Education Association at the Rosen Center from October 18th to October 19th to assist the Day Pitney law firm West Palm Beach branch in their presentations and learn new procedures and methods for PCD (Probable Cause Declaration), AI in law, wills and trusts, as well as corporate law education sessions and networking that would really help out as I start to apply for law schools. I am Pre-Law. The event is that Friday and Saturday.
  - b. Questioning
    - i. Pro Tempore Morissette: MTD, **Approved by GC**
  - c. Debate
    - i. Senator Naguib: MTV, **Approved by GC**
  - d. Vote
    - i. 6-0-1, **Approve by LJR**
9. [FALL-24-040](#): Jordan Metellus
- a. Speech
    - i. Chair Courts: I have a CECS Scholarship reception that I have to go to that evening. The event is from 6-8 so I will go to Senate once the event is over. Thank you.
  - b. Questioning
    - i. Senator Naguib: MTD, **Approved by GC**
  - c. Debate
    - i. ILA Al-Qudah: MTV, **Approved by GC**
  - d. Vote
    - i. 6-0-1, **Approve by LJR**
10. [FALL-24-042](#): Christopher Corelli
- a. Speech
    - i. Senator Corelli: Back in August my parents planned a trip to Boston. And I need to take care of the dogs at home.

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- b. Questioning
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  - c. Debate
    - i. ILA Al-Qudah: I will be voting in favor. I think this a prior engagement.
    - ii. Senator Gaudio: Retreat isn't a regularly planned event. I will be voting in favor. MTV, **Approved by GC**
  - d. Vote
    - i. 5-0-2, **Approved by LJR**
11. [FALL-24-043](#): Dylan Hall
- a. Speech
    - i. Chair Courts: Will be working as admissions counselor at the UCF Undergraduate Admissions Open House event from 7am (for setup) to 3pm in the UCF Student Union as part of my job on 10/19.
  - b. Questioning
    - i. Senator Gaudio: MTD, **Approved by GC**
  - c. Debate
    - i. ILA Al-Qudah: I will be voting in favor. Hall in my Vice Chair so I know that he works at undergrad.
    - ii. Senator Gaudio: MTV, **Approved by GC**
  - d. Vote
    - i. 6-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
12. [FALL-24-044](#): Andrew Collazo
- a. Speech
    - i. Vice Chair Collazo: Submitting an absence request for the retreat. It is my dad's birthday on Friday, and we will be going to Animal Kingdom on Saturday to celebrate. We have had the event scheduled since the beginning of October.
  - b. Questioning
    - i. ILA Al-Qudah: MTD, **Approved by GC**
  - c. Debate
    - i. ILA Al-Qudah: Approved someone else for a similar precedent, will be voting in favor again.
    - ii. Senator Gaudio: Dads are important
    - iii. Senator Neguib: MTV, **Approved by GC**
  - d. Vote

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11. Miscellaneous Business-
  - a. LJR Representative (SBA)
    - i. SBA meets Tuesdays at 3 PM
12. Member Discussion- MTIF: **Approved by GC**
  - a. [Clarifying the Constitution and Legislative Workshop](#)
  - b. [https://www.canva.com/design/DAGF-9e6SHk/rY-ZJzXbnCMGEIMuEoFgbA/edit?utm\\_content=DAGF-9e6SHk&utm\\_campaign=designshare&utm\\_medium=link2&utm\\_source=sharebutton](https://www.canva.com/design/DAGF-9e6SHk/rY-ZJzXbnCMGEIMuEoFgbA/edit?utm_content=DAGF-9e6SHk&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=sharebutton)
  - c. MTF: **Approved by GC**
13. Final Roll Call: 6/6 (4)
14. Adjournment: 4:20 PM

Key:

- P - Present
- A - Absent
- MTD - Move to Debate
- MTV - Move to Vote
- MTA- Move to Amend
- MSQD – Motion for Speech, Questioning, & Debate Time
- MTIF – Move to Informal
- MTF – Move to Formal
- PP - Postpone
- PPI - Postpone Indefinitely
- GC - General Consent

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