



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

UCF Student Government
Elections & Appointments (E&A) Meeting
Charge on Chamber
02/19/2025
10:30 AM

E&A MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 10:36 AM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 6/6 (4)

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Escobar	sga_ea@ucf.edu	P	P
Vice Chair Beneche	sga_sci2@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Patel	sga_med1@ucf.edu	E	P
Senator Gaudio	sgaecs9@ucf.edu	P	E
Senator Connolly	sga_ecs3@ucf.edu	E	E
Senator Rickett		E (P 11:13am)	P
LJR Representative, Chair Courts	sga_ljr@ucf.edu	P	E
Pro Tempore Representative	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	P
Supervisor of Elections Brown	sga_ec@ucf.edu	P	E

3. Approval of the Minutes: [E&A Meeting Agenda](#)
 - a. Approved by GC
4. Approval of the Agenda -
 - a. Approved by GC
5. Open Forum -
 - a. None

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6. Announcements from the Chair -

- a. Chair Escobar: Good morning, E&A! We will be seeing two confirmations and we will be looking over potential bills, updates to Title VI, and E&A tabling in the next weeks.
- b. Announcements from the Vice Chair -
- c. Vice Chair Beneche: Ayeee hope everyone having a great week.
- d. Announcements from Committee Members -
- e. Chair Courts: Hello all, in LJR we are currently preparing to mass update the statutes, I believe that we will be able to submit our Title III ones to the DLEG, but I'm not sure because we're seeing a censure today.
- f. Supervisor Brown: Hi, currently 70 senate candidates and 5 presidential tickets. Please submit any violations to EC.
- g. Gaudio: When will candidates be posted to the website?
- h. Brown: Not sure, OSI is working on it.

7. Announcements from Non-Committee Members -

- a. None

8. Old Business -

- a. Internal Bills: [Internal Bill 56-XX Updates to Title VI Student Body Senate Special Elections.pdf](#)
- b. Move to informal @ 11:10am
- c. Move to formal @ 11:44am
- d. New Business -
- e. Confirmations:
 - i. [Samuel Jolicoeur](#) to College of Business Seat 5
 1. MSQD: 5-5-5
 2. Speech: Has professional experience and never thought they'd be back in the college environment. Was general manager at a popular restaurant back home, and helped open a restaurant for that same company. Has a real estate license in Florida, hasn't practiced in a while but was on several committees on the state board of realtors. Feels they can provide good expertise. From SW Florida, Punta Gorda, loves UCF. Wants to be in senate because they feel comfortable representing the student body and wants to represent the

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college of business as best as they can. Always hears complaints from people at their college and wants to improve that experience.

3. Questioning:

- f. Courts: What committees do you want to join?
- g. Jolicoeur: GAP if something opens up, FAO, LJR, open to hearing about all committees.
- h. Courts: How do you feel your experience would help these committees?
 - i. Jolicoeur: I wouldn't know better than anyone else, but I've had experience in committees and talking to local politicians. I feel comfortable debating and finding common ground among colleagues
 - j. Gaudio: Did you apply for this year's election?
 - k. Jolicoeur: Yes
 - l. Morrisette: What grievances do you hear from COBA students?
 - m. Jolicoeur: REAL classes, not enough staffing for advising, nationwide voices heard
 - n. Escobar: Do you know your senatorial duties?
 - o. Jolicoeur: Must sit on one committee, come to senate meetings, represent the 1k students in my college, represent RSOs
- p. Debate:
- q. Beneche: In favor, very qualified.
- r. Courts: In favor of the candidate, qualified and knows what he wants to do. Has talked to his constituents, don't see why we shouldn't vote in favor.
- s. Gaudio: Well spoken, free on wednesdays from 1-2 so I'm voting in favor.
- t. Escobar: Knows what he wants to do, so I'll be voting in favor.
- u. Vote: 4-0-1; CONFIRMED BY E&A
 - i. [Emily Colon](#) to Election Commission Seat 2
 - 1. MSQD: 5-5-5
 - 2. Speech: Good morning, sophomore at UCF majoring in Biology and minoring in English. Involved a lot in the UCF community (roll back to this), know how to network and establish connections. UCF social media ambassador; understands the student body through social media interactions. Chose EC because they believe in clear communication and working with candidates without problems. Hopes to prepare students for a demanding career after college. Initiatives include election visual accesssiblity (sandwich boards rather than posters), increasing candidate turnout and interactions through social media, inviting first-year students to

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vote in student elections, changing the voter interface from myUCF to Webcourses, implementing social media trends to increase voter turnout.

3. Questioning:

- v. Brown: What do you think of this year's theme?
- w. Colon: It's cute, it seems effective.
- x. Gaudio: To Supervisor Brown, when will this term expire?
- y. Brown: Full 2 years
- z. Gaudio: To Colon, why using Webcourses? Have you given much thought?
- aa. Colon: I was mostly thinking of the students, and ease of use. Students are more familiar with the Webcourse interface and myUCF can be confusing for students.
- bb. Brown: Can you name 2 statutes relevant to your position?
- cc. Colon: I believe Title XI had a lot of statutes...EC must make sure candidates don't violate any election statutes, have to work a minimum 10 hours a week.
- dd. Debate:
- ee. Gaudio: In favor, I do disagree with using Webcourses to vote, but I believe the voting initiative is great and can be workshopped.
- ff. Brown: Love this candidate, has a lot to learn but has the basic knowledge required for a commissioner.
- gg. Escobar: In favor of the candidate, they have great experience and fellowship on campus.
- hh. Vote: 4-0-1; CONFIRMED BY E&A
- ii. Bills:
 - i. None.
- jj. Non-Compliance:
 - i. None.

9. Member Discussion -

- a. Potential Bills: [Election Statutes Changes Ideas](#):
- b. Lazo: Maybe an amendment to make sure SG is nonpartisan
- c. Beneche: Ayyy I agree
- d. Gaudio: I feel antsy about it because we are restricting people's free speech perhaps
- e. Lazo: I'm more worried about the publicity of the party ship, may be a liability to UCF
- f. Escobar: Not sure, because people are associated with the political RSOs
- g. Template on Teams Files
- h. Bill adding seats to the Election Commission
- i. Bill changing the language of name/preferred name in Title VI
- j. [Internal Bill 56-X \[Updates to Title VI The Election Code\]Code](#)

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- k. Appropriation bill of Senate seats/Graduate seats
 - l. Tabling with the Election Commission
 - m. Upcoming dates/times:
 - n. Reviewing the SG Website
10. Miscellaneous Business -
- a. Ice Breaker: Favorite month and why?
 - b. Final Roll Call: 5/6 (4)
11. Adjournment: 11:58 AM

Key:

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

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