



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

UCF Student Government
Elections & Appointments (E&A) Meeting
Charge on Chamber
4/09/2025
10:30 AM

E&A MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 10:38 AM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 8/6 (4)

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Escobar	sga_ea@ucf.edu	P	P
Vice Chair Beneche	sga_sci2@ucf.edu	E	P
Senator Patel	sga_med1@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Gaudio	sgaecs9@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Connolly	sga_ecs3@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Rickett	sga_grst2@ucf.edu	P	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	P

3. Approval of the Minutes: [04.02.2024](#) **Approved by GC**
4. Approval of the Agenda: **Approved by GC**
5. Announcements from the Chair Escobar-
 - i. Hello everybody! Good morning, we have five internal bills to see today, so let's be concise in our debate and have the agenda pulled up to follow along. This is our last meeting! We will be discussing how we have improved Title VI and what the committee can do in the next session.
6. Announcements from the Vice Chair Beneche-
 - a. Hi everyone! So sad that this session is coming to a close ☹️ Thank you for allowing me to be your vice chair for this short amount of time. For those coming back next session, use the

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knowledge you gained this session and take charge! For those not returning to student government, I look forward to seeing your future endeavors. Best of luck to all ☺

7. Announcements from Committee Members-
 - a. LJR Rep: We have a meeting today at 1 and tomorrow at 2
 - b. Pro Temp Rep: None.
 - c. Supervisor Brown: Hi, it has been great working with you, thank you for all of your hard work. I will be leaving the meeting right at 11:30 but always feel free to reach out to me whenever.
8. Announcements from Non-Committee Members-
 - a. None.
9. Old Business-
 - a. Bills:
 - i. None.
10. New Business-
 - a. Confirmations:
 - i. None.
 - b. Bills: SQD: 5-5-5 **Approved by GC**
 - i. [Internal Bill 56-63](#) by Senator Gaudio
 1. Speech
 - a. This was in a bill that was seen in the committee, I split this part into its own because it is a bit controversial.
 2. Questioning
 - a. Rickett: What are some new elements in the legislation?
 - i. It would make it to where you can't allow an SG Agent or member of leadership council to aid in campaigning as a third party. This alleviates the power imbalance
 - b. Rickett: This is strictly for current members, correct?
 - i. Yes
 - c. Chair Escobar: Free speech concerns, do you have any rebuttal
 - i. There is nothing in this bill saying that you can't say that you like these people, if there is the issue of posting on Instagram I don't think that is a problem with the bill this is a problem with the definition of active campaigning.
 3. Debate
 - a. Beneche: I will be voting in negation
 4. Vote: 2-6-0; Fails

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- ii. [Internal Bill 56-64](#) by Senator Caringal
 - 1. Speech
 - a. Caringal: For this bill, it makes Supervisor of Elections an internally voted role that is confirmed by Senate.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Gaudio: Why should the Supervisor of Elections be internally voted by the Commission?
 - i. I feel an internal election will help keep bias down, There might still be bias within the commission, but they all work towards a common goal
 - b. Gaudio: Supervisor of Elections is an extremely important role, and half of the Commissioners are people who have most likely never been in the commission. Why do you feel the commission should vote in this role rather than the President?
 - i. We vote people into other roles all the time. This role still requires to be a commissioner for at least a year, and this provision requires a check through Senate to ensure that the decision is valid.
 - c. Gaudio: How can you remove a Supervisor besides impeachment?
 - i. Supervisor: No confidence
 - d. Gaudio: How much of a vote do you need to remove the Supervisor? For a regular commissioner, it's 2/3.
 - i. Supervisor: Also 2/3, not sure
 - 3. Debate
 - a. MTA
 - b. Gaudio: Voting in negation, Student Body President should be responsible for all appointments, part of their role
 - c. Brown: Caringal made this bill because Supervisors are historically sworn in late, extremely late for the position. The current state where all appointments seem to be delayed by the Student Body President is not efficient
 - d. Chair Escobar: It's a completely different role with different needs and perview. I feel this will maximize efficiency, and reduce bias
 - e. Rickett: Can I get the highlights of this bill?
 - i. Courts: Supervisor is internally elected by the Commission; created to reduce delays in appojnting a Supervisor

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- f. Pro Temp: Voting in favor, Commission should be more autonomous.
 - 4. Vote: 6-1-1; passes
 - iii. [Internal Bill 56-66](#) by Senator Caringal
 - 1. Speech
 - a. Caringal: This bill relieves some of the responsibilities of the Commission.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Pro Temp: Before the amendments, what was changed?
 - i. Takes responsibility from Commissioners
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Courts: MTA except 601.4 V
 - i. Passed
 - b. Courts: Would you see the 2 other amendments as your own since that's what is changing in the bill?
 - i. Yes
 - c. Gaudio: MTA 601.7
 - i. Passed
 - d. Rickett: If this bill passes, do we strike down the other bill?
 - i. No
 - e. Courts: MTA 601.4 V
 - i. Passed
 - 4. Vote: 8-0-1; passes
 - iv. [Internal Bill 56-67](#) by Senator Caringal
 - 1. Speech
 - a. Caringal: Self-explanatory, adds more seats to the Commission. Increases seats from 10 to 14, will probably help with more hands on deck
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Pro Temp: What is the benefit of increasing the amount of seats?
 - i. Supervisor: This would help in the case of people quitting mid-way through the year.
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Supervisor: We chose 14 seats because there are around 13 colleges, and the supervisor will have perview over the presidential election. Allows for commission to divvy up responsibilities

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- b. Gaudio: Supervisor is Gru and the commissioners are the minions he needs
 - 4. Vote: 7-0-1; passes
 - v. [Internal Bill 56-68](#) by Senator Caringal
 - 1. Speech
 - a. Caringal: EC is a tight-run branch, have to make sure they're following the rules and regulations. Most of their operations are ran through Title VI, takes too long. They should have autonomy and be able to make adjustments as they please without having to wait the lengthy process.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Pro Temp: Outside of EC meetings, what will this accomplish?
 - i. Supervisor: Allows for Supervisor to assign commissioners to be assigned to colleges, making pamphlets available, allows us to set internal duties and tasks.
 - b. Pro Temp: If this passes, will we have to post the ERP?
 - i. Yup
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Gaudio: Had concerns with this bill going in, many have been quelled and addressed. In favor
 - b. Pro Temp: Executes transparency and seems helpful to SG and the EC
 - 4. Vote: 9-0-0; passes
11. Member Discussion-
 - a. Transition binder
 - b. Appointment questions for next session
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1QP6RCCD1bjhANvoJCstOJw0Tb36r6WvX>
 - c. Election Commission's [Memorandum 2.pdf](#)
 - i. 9. Have the student submit a request for anonymity and allow the commission to see the request, investigate, and then choose to see the affidavit (anonymous or not)
 - ii. 12. No, no no (But valid reasoning)
 - iii. MTI at 11:33am
 - iv. MTF at 11:54
12. Miscellaneous Business
 - a. Ice breaker: Favorite Student Government memory?
 - i. Gaudio: Locker pizza (if you know you know)

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- ii. Patel: Potlucks
- iii. Courts: Black Business Showcase
- iv. Rickett: Seeing Beneche in the elevator that one time (if you KNOWWWW)
- v. Brown: Not letting the commissioners know the primary results
- vi. Morissette: When the screen said 'voting ended' when I got elected
- vii. Escobar: Winter Wonderland
- viii. Connolly: Loved everything
- ix. Beneche: Everything

13. Final Roll Call: 8/6 (4)

14. Adjournment: 11:57 AM

Key:

P - Present

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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