



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

UCF Student Government
LJR Committee Meeting
Charge on Chamber
5/28/2025
5:00 PM

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 5:18 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum (7): 11/12

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Gaudio	sga_ljr@ucf.edu	P	P
Vice Chair Trejo Hernandez	sgaecsl3@ucf.edu		P
Senator Bonaventure	sga_hm1@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Diei	sga_ecs2@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Trejo Hernandez	sgaecsl3@ucf.edu	P	
Senator Kidwai	sga_grst3@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Matthews	sga_sci7@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Rodriguez	sgachps4@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Rudie	sgaecsl2@ucf.edu	E	E
Senator Jolicoeur	sga_ba3@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Sherman	sgacie3@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Simmons	sgsci12@ucf.edu	E	E
Senator Zivin	sgsci15@ucf.edu	E	E
Pro Tempore Representative	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	P

3. Approval of the Minutes: [5.28.2025](#) Approved by GC
4. Approval of the Agenda: **Approved by GC**

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5. Elections

a. Vice Chair Elections

i. Nominations

1. Trejo-Hernandez
2. Jolicoeur

ii. Speech

1. Trejo-Hernandez: Hello, I ran for Chair and have an 85 words per minute typing count.
2. Jolicoeur: Hello, I sat on LJR last session. I really like it, I think I could do well in this position. I do not know what my writing speed is but it is pretty decent. I also have an unofficial endorsement from someone in the previous position in LJR.

iii. Questioning

1. Hameed: How will you best support the Chair in this role?
 - a. Trejo-Hernandez: I think the best way to support the Chair is to have conversations on how we could break up duties such as absences, and keeping things open like “What do you need from me?” and making sure the Chair is not overwhelmed.
 - b. Jolicoeur: My whole thing is streamlining, efficiency, making things run smoother, that’s the name of my game. The way I would support the Chair is not only to take off any burden they may need assistance with but also guiding LJR through this session and getting through as quickly as possible. I want to be in a supporting and guiding role within LJR for the rest of the team, as well as the rest of the Senate. Anything you may need help with, let me know, I am totally open and willing to learn. I have done this sort of thing in the real world before and I’d say I did so well.
2. Hameed: Do you have any initiatives you’ll bring to the role if confirmed?
 - a. Jolicoeur: I am a very open book, as for specific things I am working on right now, it’s nothing beyond the sort of vibe I’m trying to bring. There is no specific policy I’ve started to write down, my method is to get my bearings first, observe, and then make a decision from that point. I don’t want to go into this with any agenda before we see how things are going to start going.
 - b. Trejo-Hernandez: Talk to newer Senators especially since it’s the beginning of the session and people need to learn all the Statutes, but also that as people get appointed that those people also can learn our procedures and rules, developing that connection. I also want to

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promote LJR as that's a really good way to help people learn them and help them grow.

3. Hameed: What is the most important statutory responsibility in your opinion of the Vice Chair?
 - a. Trejo-Hernandez: Taking accurate minutes due to the nature of what LJR deals with, such as not just absences but also censures and (hopefully not) impeachments. These minutes give Senate context on what has occurred and also help when dealing with Internal Bills or give context on why we do certain things.
 - b. Jolicoeur: I think the most important responsibility is to support the Chair in their capacity, be it through taking minutes or calling session to order. It changes every session, it changes every week, because at the end of the day this is your LJR, this is the LJR of the Chair, not of the Vice Chair, so I see it as a clearly supportive role of the Chair.
 4. Diei: Why do you want to be Vice Chair?
 - a. Jolicoeur: I have always naturally gravitated towards leadership roles since I became an adult, I have been in multiple leadership roles in the real world, and one of the most important things I've learned is that every role is different in its own right, but there is also commonality between all of them. One of those is coming to the table with confidence, standing by what you believe, what it is the agenda you're trying to push forward, I am looking for this position as I am looking to move up in Senate, I see this as the natural step up. LJR has been my favorite committee, I just naturally find myself gravitating to it and that I bring the experience to it that the position demands for an SG that represents 70k people.
 - b. Trejo-Hernandez: I love competition, I think this is more of a joke run but I also think that when you're competing against someone, there's higher stakes. This is me trying to say "Yes you support the Chair a lot, but you're also the right hand who people also ask questions to." You have to chair meetings when the Chair cannot.
 5. Sherman: MTD
- iv. Debate
1. Sherman: I think both of these candidates are very qualified, I will learn towards Senator Trejo-Hernandez because having run for Chair, she has definitely demonstrated interest in the committee and willingness to learn in

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that way. I feel her initiatives will be a bit more fleshed out so I will be voting for Trejo-Hernandez.

2. Diei: I also think that both candidates are very qualified, I will be voting in favor of Trejo-Hernandez. I saw her presentation for Chair and thought that showed a lot of passion for LJR, I think she knows the statutes a little more and that will help Senators a little more.
3. Matthews: I believe both of these candidates are very qualified, I will be voting for Trejo-Hernandez, when I sat in on LJR meetings last session I saw her passion.
4. Hameed: MTV

v. Vote

1. 5-1-4, Trejo-Hernandez elected as Vice Chair

b. E&A Representative Elections (Wednesdays @ 3PM)

i. Nominations

1. Sherman

ii. Speech

- 1.

iii. Questioning

- 1.

iv. Debate

- 1.

v. Vote

1. Sherman is E&A Rep, **Approved by GC**

c. GAP Representative Elections (Thursdays @ 3PM)

i. Nominations

1. Matthews

ii. Speech

- 1.

iii. Questioning

- 1.

iv. Debate

- 1.

v. Vote

1. Matthews is GAP Rep, **Approved by GC**

d. SBA Representative Elections (Mondays @ 5PM)

i. Nominations

1. Diei

ii. Speech

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- 1.
- iii. Questioning
 - 1.
- iv. Debate
 - 1.
- v. Vote
 1. Diei is SBA Rep, **Approved by GC**
6. Announcements from Chair Gaudio -
 - a. Chair Announcements: Hello, LJR! Today we will be creating our precedent sheet which we will use as our guideline for absence approvals or denials and which will be sent out to the rest of Senate. We will also be seeing our first absences if time permits!
 - b. E&A Announcements: E&A just met, they approved all the confirmees that went through, I forgot all of the positions but we will be seeing all of them either tomorrow or Monday.
 - c. SBA Announcements: None.
 - d. GAP Announcements: They elected their Chair.
7. Announcements from Vice Chair Trejo-Hernandez -
 - a. None.
8. Announcements from Committee Members -
 - a. Jolicoeur: Good to see you all again.
9. Announcements from Non-Committee Members -
 - a. None.
10. Business -
 - a. [Absence Precedent Sheet](#)
 - i. Pro Temp Hameed: MTIF, **Approved by GC**
 - ii. Jolicoeur: MTF, **Approved by GC**
 - iii. Jolicoeur: Motion to see my admendment
 1. Speech:
 - a. We were just talking about this, we can change wording
 2. Question:
 - a.
 3. Debate:
 - a.
 4. Vote:
 - a. **Approved by GC**
 - b. Absences ([Supporting Documentation](#)):
 - i. MSQD: 2-3-2, **Approved by GC**
 - ii. Melva Diei
 1. Speech

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- a. I am going to be out of town. I will be on a flight to California at 7:16 pm and will be at the airport 2 hours prior to my flight.
- 2. Questioning
 - a. Sherman: MTD, **Approved by GC**
- 3. Debate
 - a. J: MTV, **Approved by GC**
- 4. Vote
 - a. 5-0-3, **Absence Request is Approved by LJR**
- iii. Spurthi Nrusimhadevara
 - 1. Speech
 - a. I'll be spending the day at a theme park with my family, who is visiting for a short time over the summer. I appreciate your understanding and will be sure to catch up on any missed material or updates.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Trejo Hernandez: MTD, **Approved by GC**
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Rodriques: Makes sense, family is important.
 - b. Jolicoeur: It's summer, family is visiting, will do the same thing
 - c. Trejo Hernandez: MTV, **Approved by GC**
 - 4. Vote
 - a. 9-0-1, **Absence Request is Approved by LJR**
- iv. Rose Rodriguez
 - 1. Speech
 - a. I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to formally request an absence from the Senate on Thursday, May 15th, and Thursday, May 22nd. I have class from 6:00 PM to 9:50 PM during those times, which directly conflicts with the Senate meetings. I was unable to locate an absence request form on KnightConnect, so I am submitting my request via email instead. Please find attached a screenshot of my class schedule for verification. Thank you for your understanding, and please let me know if any additional information is needed.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Jolicoeur: MTD, **Approved by GC**
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Jolicoeur: MTV, **Approved by GC**
 - 4. Vote

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- a. 8-0-2, **Absence Request is Approved by LJR**
- v. Teresa Faucette
 - 1. Speech
 - a. I am presenting at the Florida Council for Exceptional Children Conference and will be out-of-town that day (June 19-21). I plan to join if the wi-fi is good, but am not sure how it will be and am filling out the form as a back up, just in case I cannot get on.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Jolicoeur: MTD, **Approved by GC**
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Sherman: procative to do this, MTV
 - 4. Vote
 - a. 9-0-1, **Absence Request is Approved by LJR**
- vi. Katrina Wangen
 - 1. Speech
 - a. I will be running the weekly meeting for Alternative Break Program that occurs every Monday from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm. In the summer, meetings regularly run over time, so I would like to get excused for initial so I do not have to closely watch the clock while running our training meeting.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Jolicoeur: MTD, **Approved by GC**
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Jolicoeur: MTV, **Approved by GC**
 - 4. Vote
 - a. 9-0-1, **Absence Request is Approved by LJR**
- vii. Spurthi Nrusimhadevara
 - 1. Speech
 - a. I'll be out of the country in India for three weeks in June and since I'll be 9 hours ahead I won't be able to attend the meetings unfortunately.
 - 2. Questioning
 - a. Rodriguez: Will you attempt to attend the meetings
 - i. Nrusimhadevara: I will try to attend to if I can
 - b. Sherman: MTD, **Approved by GC**
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Jolicouer: I undestand this, I appreciate your effort to attend, I will be voting in favor, MTV, **Approved by GC**

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4. Vote
 - a. 9-0-1, **Absence Request is Approved by LJR**
- c. Blanket Excuse
 - i. Shivi Jain
 1. Speech
 - a. I will be going on a family vacation to Spain from May 27- June 10. I have a summer internship at Peru, MA as a healthcare assistant from June 16 - August 10. I will be out of town for the majority of the summer. Currently looking into getting a sign over
 2. Questioning
 - a. Trejo Hernandez: What committees were they on?
 - i. Chair Gaudio: CRT and FAO
 - b. Sherman: Why is it only for committee meetings?
 - i. Chair Gaudio: Here is the email chain
 - c. Rodriguez: Is it not for senate?
 - i. Char Gaudio: No, only for committee meetings
 - ii. Trejo Hernandez: **PP to next meeting**
 3. Debate
 - a.
 4. Vote
 - a. **PP to next meeting**
11. Member Discussion- MTIF: **Approved by GC**
 - a. Robert's Rules Cheat Sheet
 - b. Statutes Readings
 - c. Adopting Bills as a Committee
 - d. MTF: **Approved by GC**
12. Final Roll Call: 10/13 (7)
13. Adjournment: 6:43PM

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

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PP - Postpone
PPI - Postpone Indefinitely
GC - General Consent

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