



A&SF BUDGET COMMITTEE

UCF Student Government
A&SF Budget Committee Meeting
Sanibel Boardroom & [Zoom](#)
December 1st, 2022
3:00 PM

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order 3:02 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum (8):9/15

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Katrina Wangen	sga_asf@ucf.edu	P	P
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Senator Ethan Temple	sga_ba8@ucf.edu	P	P
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3. Approval of the Minutes: [11/21/22](#); Approved by GC
4. Approval of the Agenda: 12/01/22; Approved by GC
5. Announcements from the Chair

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- a. We have a couple of things to discuss today, I don't think this will take too long though.
 - 6. Announcements from the Vice Chair
 - a. None
 - 7. Announcements from Committee Members
 - a. None
 - 8. Announcements from Non-Committee Members
 - a. None
 - 9. Old Business
 - a. Entity Updates
 - i. Temple- SLS had questions about budget numbers and any cuts would be very detrimental. Legal research portals may be unsubscribed, advertising will be cut as will two assistants, impacting efficiency in their job. VUCF recently submitted their packet, removing roughly \$2,876.40 between VUCF and ABP evenly.
 - ii. Allgire- met with Homecoming and they are willing to make cuts and make it on zoom.
 - iii. Lopez- only discrepancy was a budget number given. The budget packet had a different budget number than what records showed. Discrepancy in OPS as well.
 - iv. Wangen- OPS is not in operations.
 - v. Savage- met with RWC several times, there is extreme concern about cutting 6.5%. Optics would be bad with cuts to student staff. Morale would suffer with such high cuts. To balance the budget Knights Plaza needs too close. Not giving raises. 6.5% cut is a big ask. Sports club wise our budget depends on RWC budget because if the RWC is closed on weekends that affects game times.
 - vi. Erched- Austin met with Rick, he seemed prepared. They seemed to have it all figured out.
 - vii. Brodie- Legislative, Judicial, and EC are all done or close to done.
 - viii. Lopez- exec is very close too
 - ix. Wangen- A&SF committee is also done too.
 - b. Minimum Wage Update
 - i. Currently planning to just move everything up by \$1 this year in order to not make it more difficult to scale in the future since there are still 3 more years of this.
 - 10. New Business
 - a. Budget Packet Change

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- i. Potentially removing 6.5% cut tab for departments. Has been very difficult for them to find areas to cut.
 - 1. Shane- I will add I met with many people. A 5% cut can be realistic but already pretty significant. There are going to be pains with what has to be cut. At 5% I already have to cut Pegasus Palooza at the Knighting event. More than that cuts significant student jobs. We may have to but hopefully we do not. But putting it on paper and for the optics is bad. I would be in favor in leaving it at just a 5% cut tab. Have them know to be prepared that we may have to cut more.
 - 2. Temple- Any updates on the number Shane?
 - 3. Shane- no. What I have gathered is that last year the 400,000 dollar gain is no longer here. I do not know the number but Dr. Posy is not here to work on that currently. I asked if we would have it by this meeting by they do not know. When we do it will be sent to Wangen. Wishlists also do not seem like wishlists anymore.
 - 4. Temple- to bounce off of that, Hall and I met with SLS and they seem to be taking it hard too. They are much smaller and have two assistants and research portals that might need to be cut. They did not like the 6.5% cut neither.
 - 5. McClellan- Think getting rid of the 6.5% would be fine. Hopefully it doesn't come to that, but if we need to, could prioritize cutting other entities due to the nature of what departments do.
 - 6. Allgire- I agree, speaking to agencies there were cuts they need to make like moving a show out of the arena. As a part of O team, there is a lot of important stuff like the knighting that are crucial.
 - 7. Erched- I agree too, there has been a lot of speculation with the numbers. We can have a mental understanding and a conversation on what we might need to cut in the event.
 - 8. Lopez- also in favor, but to play devil's advocate, realistically the future of the budget is going to be very different. The reality is the budget is just shrinking. It is going to get smaller in the future. While it is not crucial to cut that much this year, everyone should keep that in mind moving forward. Things will have to change regardless of what we want.
 - 9. Erched- to echo those sentiments, the budget is shrinking year of the year. Things we may feel are necessary might have to be considered being cut. Minimum wage goes up and the budget goes down.

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10. Brodie- On that, putting the tab on there in the first place, having the tab there, the department heads know to keep it in mind. This was the warning shot, so to say.
11. Shane- I still haven't hit the 5% cut yet. Bringing staff together for some tough talks. Here is something I will say. Unlike past years, as enrollment grew we just gave money. You all are in a very different budget cycle. There will be tough things brought to you that you have to vote on. It may be hard to hear things and then vote to cut that. The north end of the RWC is thinking the only way to balance their budget is to cut it. You all will just have to vote on these things. Like for me, we may not be able to afford the Knighting. We may have the manpower but not the \$\$\$. This will not be happy handing out money, but after you approve it it may not be a clapping moment. Fee driven services have to be trimmed down. I do not envy your task, I appreciate it. But what I do know about UCF staff is when we have a challenge, we rise up to it. One year a projection was off and then they had to meet mid-year and trim 7%. So at least this is not that year.
 - ii. Vote to remove 6.5% percent cut tab
 1. 8-0-2 **6.5% Cut Removed**
- b. Materiality
 - i. We will not spend a significant amount of time arguing over miniscule amounts of money this year. We also need to focus on more than just ourselves. Not internal SG arguing.
 1. Temple- I did want to echo those sentiments. The vast majority of the special session we had was focused on SG arguing and missed the point of the larger aspects of the budget.
 2. Shane- I think one of the things you have to balance is the budget. A budget is a budget and cuts have to be made. First time members may be very passionate about their area. Balance the job and the task of recognizing the hard work people do that might be cut. Balance being there and how balancing the budget can be an emotional thing.
 3. Wangen- making sure to have empathy is important. Cutting something doesn't mean it isn't important to the student experience. Cutting CRT does not mean it is not important. We are trying to find cuts to make the budget work. Some student directs have put years into their projects.

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4. Nimbargi- I want to echo that. On behalf of FAO we can take a hit and still fund RSOs. As long as we consider the whole student experience as we balance the budget and other initiatives are being funded, we will still be on a good track.

11. Member Discussion

- a. Savage- Do you think that we should even bother with wishlist items (to Wangen)
- b. Wangen- You can put it, but I do not see us looking at it because we will not have any extra money
- c. Brodie- Based on what was said earlier and bringing everyone up a dollar is that everyone or just OSI.
- d. Wangen- not really a fleshed out discussion.
- e. Shane- nobody raised theirs last year SG-wise.
- f. Brodie- so I guess only one or two people in other branches are above the minimum wage. Just asking what the expectation is.
- g. Erched- spoke with Shane about moving directors up 50 cents to match OSI
- h. Shane- President and Vice President did not change but \$12 to \$12.50

12. Miscellaneous Business:

- a. Meeting next week
 - i. Does the same time work for a majority of us? If not, I can send out a When2Meet.
 1. Erched- to your knowledge would the next be long?
 2. Wangen- no but you can leave early.
 3. Temple- I should be able to make it.
 4. Wangen- anyone not able to make it?
 5. Guel- no.
 6. Wangen- it looks like we will do the same time next week.

13. Final Roll Call: 10/15

14. Adjournment: 3:40 PM

Key:

P - Present
A - Absent
MTD - Move to Debate
MTV - Move to Vote
MTA- Move to Amend
PP - Postpone
PPI - Postpone Indefinitely

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GC - General Consent

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