



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

UCF Student Government
LJR Committee Meeting
Charge on Chamber
04/06/22
12:00 PM

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 12:06 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum(5): 6/8

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Urea	sga_ljr@ucf.edu	P	P
Vice-Chair	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant
Senator Ferguson	sga_ecs3@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Galloway	sga_grst3@ucf.edu	E	E
Senator Huerta	sga_sci7@ucf.edu	E	E
Senator McClellan	sga_ba5@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Martin	sga_sci10@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Tache	sgasci13@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Yalamanchili	sgamed3@ucf.edu	P(12:15)	P
Pro Tempore Representative	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	P

3. Approval of the Minutes: [03/22/22](#); Approved by GC
4. Approval of the Agenda: Approved by GC
5. Open Forum
 - a. Reece Hall
6. Announcements from the Chair-
 - a. Look forward to next week
7. Announcements from the Vice Chair-
 - a. None
8. Announcements from Committee Members-
 - a. E&A Representative- Senator Foster was elected to the position of Chair

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- b. GAP Representative- None
- c. SBA Representative- Senator Salerno was elected to the position of Chair
- d. Pro Temp Ciresi
 - i. Hello everyone, Congratulations to the new Chair!!! I have a few quick announcements for you all
 - ii. Applications for the deputy positions are open. The process for applying is to email me a copy of your resume and goal sheet to email by Friday, April 8th at 5pm. Interviews will take place next week
 - iii. Here are my Office hours for this week only. I will have a set recurring schedule after all the Committee Meeting times have been confirmed.
 - 1. Monday: 8-10am (Virtual), 11am-5pm (On Campus)
 - 2. Tuesday: 11am-5pm (On Campus)
 - 3. Wednesday: 8am-5pm (Virtual Only)
 - 4. Thursday: 1-3pm (On Campus)
 - 5. Friday: 11am-4pm (Virtual Only)
 - iv. New Leadership
 - 1. Please begin setting your meeting time for the semester in your group me's they will be due this Thursday by 5pm
 - 2. Please schedule a 1:1 with me
 - 3. Vice-Chair Elections will be held at the next committee meetings
 - v. Link to sign up for 1:1, they will be hybrid. <https://calendly.com/pro-temp/30min>
 - vi. If you're submitting legislation to be seen on first reading Thursday, it is due to me by 5pm Wednesday.
 - vii. Please email or Group me if you have any questions!
- 9. Announcements from Non-Committee Members-
 - a. Speaker Kehoe
 - i. Congrats Chair Urea!
 - 1. Senate Exec will be meeting this week
 - 2. Name Tag
 - ii. Legislative Assistant applications are now open! Please refer to your email for details. Applications close Friday at noon
 - iii. Anyone for The Pledge of Allegiance? National Anthem?
 - b. Brodie
 - i. Welcome/Congrats

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10. Old Business-

- a. Bills
 - i. None.
- b. Resolutions
 - i. None.
- c. Absences
 - i. None.
- d. Blanket Excuses
 - i. None.

11. New Business-

- a. Bills
 - i. None.
- b. Resolutions
 - i. None.
- c. Absences
 - i. None.
- d. Blanket Excuses
 - i. None.

12. Member Discussion-

- a. Senator Tache
 - i. Only 85% sure what this committee does, maybe the Chair can provide like a LJR Cheat Sheet, that might be helpful
- b. Senator Martin
 - i. Agree the Cheat Sheet would be a good idea

13. Miscellaneous Business-

- a. Chair Elections
 - i. Nominations
 - 1. Urea
 - 2. McClellan
 - 3. Ferguson
 - ii. Speeches
 - 1. Urea - Soph. Poli Sci. Coming into college I wanted to gain leadership experience and involvement, joined SGLC and SLC, which led me to run for Senate and LJR CHair. Attended LJR and

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saw how it works. We have to hold ourselves and Senate accountable for our advocacy to be effective. Read through statutes and Title IX so I am prepared. Will be attentive and effective as a leader for LJR.

2. McClellan - Pre management major, would like to get to know you all more, and looking forward to working with you all. Want to focus on keeping the SG website updated. Everyone should have access to the most up-to-date documents, as we make changes and want to make sure that happens quickly. Open to suggestions and feedback from everyone, still learning as a first time senator. Open communication, about Senate or otherwise. Also like to review documents together as a group, and involve the committee in the process. As an internal committee, I want to discuss ideas on how to table and reach out to students, how to be a resource as the knowledgeable committee about processes. As far as absences and accountability, I want to be as fair and cool-headed as possible.
3. Ferguson - I have always enjoyed reading rule books, long complicated documents. As Chair, I will be diligent and fair. I have read through the rules and understand them. Always assuming that people have fair reasons for absences. As a new senator, I don't have experience, but a thorough knowledge of the rules. Want to handle impeachments or other accountability fairly. I am confident in my ability to read and understand the rules.

iii. Questioning

1. Yalamanchili - What does fairness mean, and how will you apply that definition when reviewing absences?
 - a. Urea - Fairness is equity and having an impartial opinion. Applying that to voting.
 - b. McClellan - Being consistent, if you grant an absence to someone for a reason, others should have that same standard applied. Basing our decisions on what is stated in the rules and documents. Not bringing in anything else, personal etc.
 - c. Ferguson - Firstly, treating everyone equally. Best friend or enemy, decisions are reviewed equally. Using precedent to stay consistent.

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2. Tache - As a Committee, we may frustrate Senators, what is your willingness to do our job in the face of frustrated SG Agents?
 - a. McClellan - We must be as fair as possible, and treat students with respect. We can make sure we all stay cool headed and respectful of everyone.
 - b. Ferguson - Students' frustration won't necessarily affect our decisions, will follow the rules. Students may always get upset, but we will follow our procedures.
 - c. Urea - I want to listen and talk with Senators who have concerns, but Senators need to be held accountable. Doing the position correctly is more important than how they view me.
3. Tache - When interpreting what reasons are excusable, how strict of a textualist are you, specific "what-if?"
 - a. Ferguson - As long as Senators are not abusing the rules, pretty lenient. Want to support senators, and be consistent across Senate. Spirit of the rules is that Senate is a commitment, if Senators have shown that commitment.
 - b. Urea - Part of being the chair is being impartial, and opening the floor for discussion. Simply being busy is not a reason, but opening for debate.
 - c. McClellan - Would likely not grant an absence for this case, we are all busy with lives, but we made a commitment to be in Senate. First few cases will set precedent for the committee going forward.

iv. Debate

1. Yalamanchili - All candidates have made a good case, all are qualified. Sen. Urea already has experience in SG, already familiar with functions of LJR. Supporting Urea.
2. Martin - Everyone did well, proud of all candidates. Will be supporting Urea, has the most experience having been in SLC and sitting on LJR previously.

v. Voting

1. 3-0-0-3, Sen. Urea is elected Chair.

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14. Final Roll Call: 7/8

15. Adjournment: 12:48 PM

Key:

P - Present

A - Absent

MTD - Move to Debate

MTV - Move to Vote

MTA- Move to Amend

PP - Postpone

PPI - Postpone Indefinitely

GC - General Consent

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