



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

UCF Student Government
GAP Committee Meeting
Charge On Chambers
06/08/2022
2:00PM
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MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 2:05 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 11/13

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Hall	sgagap@ucf.edu	P	P
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Senator Castelin	sga_sci3@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Damarla	sga_med1@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Domino	sga_grst1@ucf.edu	P	P
ELA Galloway	sga_grst3@ucf.edu	E	E
Senator Kostis	sga_sci8@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Martinez	sga_ba4@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Morey	sga_ecs5@ucf.edu	A	A
Senator Simko	sgaecs8@ucf.edu	E	E
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LJR Rep	sgamed3@ucf.edu	P	P
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3. Approval of the Minutes: [06/01/2022](#) [Approved by GC]
4. Approval of the Agenda: [Approved by GC]
5. Announcements from the Chair
 - a. Hello everyone and happy Wednesday!
 - b. LGBTQ+ Central Florida Organizations Highlight:
 - i. [Equality Florida](#) (largest in the state)
 - ii. [Zebra Coalition](#) (helps homeless, LGBTQ+ students)
 - iii. [onePulse Foundation](#) (founded after Pulse)
 - iv. [The Center](#) (LGBTQ+ community center of operations)
 - v. [The Pride Chamber](#) (akin to the Chamber of Commerce but for LGBTQ+)
 - vi. [QLatinx](#) (Organization for Latinx/Hispanic LGBTQ+ population)
 - c. Jimmy Carter Fact of the Week:
 - i. The United States nearly passed a universal health insurance program under Jimmy Carter.
 - ii. Infighting between Ted Kennedy and Jimmy Carter led to the universal health insurance program failing to move through Congress.
6. Announcements from the Vice-Chair
 - a. Good afternoon, everyone! Nothing much from me today, just wanted to remind you guys to get those Reports in!
 - b. OTD:
 - i. In Roman History: In 451, Attila the Hun invaded Northern Italy, devastating the heart of the Empire. It would take the charismatic pleas of the Pope/a very generous bribe to drive Attila away.
 - ii. In Literary History: In 1949, *Nineteen Eighty-Four* by George Orwell was published.
 1. Highly recommend it!!!
7. Announcements from Committee Members
 - a. Pro Temp Rep
 - i. Everyone now has completed the New Senate Orientation!
 - ii. Legislation workshops (yes, they're hybrid):
 1. Thursday, June 9th at 1 pm
 2. Monday, June 13th at 2 pm

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- iii. Working on planning Fiscal and Robert's Rules workshops for this semester
 - 1. Committee chairs: please reach out to PT Ciresi and/or DLeg Wangen if you would like any of the 3 previously mentioned workshops run within your committee and we can get that scheduled
- iv. Legislation is due on Wednesday at 5pm! Please ensure any legislation is being submitted to both Pro Temp Ciresi and DLeg Wangen!
- v. Please fill out the [Involvement Tracker](#)
 - 1. This is not just for being in the Senate, this is for attending events, whether SG or otherwise, writing legislation, and other involvement that goes beyond simply being a sitting senator or completing the duties of any position you hold within the Senate. We're looking to recognize involvement going beyond the basic requirements.
- vi. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me or anyone else in PT's Office!
- b. Senator Yalamanchili: Today is World Oceans Day!
- 8. Announcements from Non-Committee Members-
 - a. None.
- 9. Old Business-
 - a. [GAP Committee Attendance Sheet](#), Student Priorities Survey, [Midterm 2022 Election Schedule Breakdown](#), Primary Discussion, & Gun Violence Roundtable.
 - i. Update: Nothing yet from Gun Violence Roundtable...stay tuned!
- 10. New Business-
 - a. The GAC Situation
 - i. Lack of a GAC makes our job in the immediate future more difficult.
 - ii. I will be meeting with Daniella and Xely to allow for GAP to take over GAC functions until a new GAC is confirmed by the Senate.
 - iii. What does this mean for GAP?
 - 1. GAP will take point on the UCF Orientation Voter Registration Initiative.
 - a. We cannot wait any longer to start this initiative. There are too many students and potential voters coming in and out of UCF to not take advantage of the opportunity.

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- i. GAP Chair will act as direct liaison and de facto GAC until a de jure appointee is confirmed. We are to pick up the slack.
 - ii. Majority of off and on campus students have finished moving in so now is a great opportunity.
 - iii. Gotta make sure their address is updated and we can get decent turnout (moreso for a midterm).
 - iv. Form of tabling: talked with DSR to discuss how to get space. Two tables are ideal, GAP will need help.
 - v. One table from Orange County Supervisor of Elections, GAP will have the other table to promote the Student Priority Survey.
 - vi. Will have more information on how to volunteer.
 - vii. This is the best time to register students. Fall will be a time for fun, registering is not fun. But it needs to be done.
2. GAP will work to reach out to UCF's Legislative Delegation to establish relations with our representatives.
 - a. We were waiting to do this with the GAC but at this point it makes sense for us to move forward.
 - b. Most of the Legislature, Congress are up for re-election. Still want to reach out and bring them in.
 - c. We lack a strong connection w/ them, we have a great opportunity to bring them and strengthen that bond.
 - d. Great relationship w/ Governmental Affairs of Admin, but not the Student Body.
3. GAP will finalize the Student Priorities Survey this week (next week***).
 - a. We are working to get the survey template from last year as it is not currently in the drive.
 - i. Unfortunately it had since expired...
 - ii. Has reached out to ELA Galloway (former GAP Chair) to confirm she has it so we can workshop it.

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- b. We will discuss modifying last year's survey and vote on it next week.
 - i. We ought to be unified on this as a community.
Shouldn't be just the Chair, VC. This will be priority no. 1 for next week.
 - 4. GAP will begin setting up the framework for our SG-wide Midterm 2022 campaign.
 - a. I want a committee with representation across SG setting an agenda and coordinating throughout the Summer and Fall.
 - i. This is a very important initiative for people and a good opportunity...that being said...
 - b. Midterm 2022 Committee Format
 - i. How do we want the committee formatted?
 - 1. Do we want designated individuals from across the branches (EX: GAP Chair, Speaker, Pro Temp, President or VP, Chief of Staff, GAC, Chief Justice, etc.) or a more informal committee?
 - 2. Do we want other individuals, like members of the GAP Committee, Caucuses, and individual senators to have the ability to speak to the committee.
 - a. GAC has the ability to create a "committee" (re: a task force)...but we don't have a GAC.
 - i. VC: Similar to ASF Budget Committee: Branch Heads, GAP Chair, SBA Chair, GAP Members-At Large Senators-at Large, Caucus Leadership.
 - ii. Damarla: More informal would be better.
 - iii. Yalamanchili:
 - 1. Clarification of Committee Purpose Question
 - 2. Will this committee be open to non-SG members?
 - a. Hall: Goal is to be effective and aid in facilitation.
 - 3. Agrees with VC, we should have stakeholders from leadership; GAP, Senate at large members.

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- iv. Kostis: Committee would be best as a blend. SG members should be bulk of committee, but students should also have a say as well. Coordinators can be invited as well (ie Athletics Coordinators)
 - 1. Hall: Leaning towards this model. Actual designation would help keep them in the loop. Having individuals designated there aids in legitimacy, and keeps other branches in loop. Outside these permanent members, we can allow for “at-large” seats. Not all in GAP would like to be involved, same goes for the Senate. We need to be cognizant of efficiency and effectiveness. Goal is to ensure all voices are heard. No guarantee that actions will be implemented, but there will be guarantee that everyone will be on the same page.
- v. DLeg Wangen: Ensure the Election Commission is informed. They were open to having a voter registration event w/ GAP.
 - 1. Hall: Would love to have them on board.
- vi. Kostis: Backtracking a bit, having 5-6 designated seats (GAP Chair, Prez, VP, Chief Justice) and then proportional membership (2 GAP, 2 SBA, 1 from each college, and then students at large).
 - 1. Hall: Likes the idea, helps to consider how to register certain types of colleges.
- 3. What do we want to name the Midterm 2022 initiative?
 - a. I am thinking IgKnight Your Vote 2022 but am open to other suggestions.
 - i. None. We all loved the name!

11. Member Discussion-

- a. Senator Urea: March For Our Lives Rally this Saturday
 - i. Hall: June 11 is set for March For Our Lives' demonstrations.

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- b. Senator Almenar: Gun Reform Resolution Update
 - i. Meeting with other Senators, VP Martinez and the nature of the legislation and additions to it. Someone brought up the idea of polling students and we have since been working on that. This bill will be going through GAP.
 - ii. MFOL Rally will be at 11 AM at Orlando City Hall. Might march from City Hall past offices and to Lake Eola.
 - c. Vice Chair Temple: Gun Reform Resolution Leg. Report
 - i. Damarla: Do we need authorisation on making a Report?
 - 1. Temple: Nope! You may start one at your pleasure. But do keep in mind that they are to be turned in before 5:00 PM on Tuesday to be seen in GAP.
 - d. Senator Kostis: Next piece of legislation
 - i. I met with the FL President of Education and wanted to work on passing a resolution that advocates for the banning of the box that checks whether someone was formerly incarcerated in order to help ex-prisoners gain an education.
 - 1. Temple: Would love to work on this. How far have you gone in researching this?
 - 2. Kostis: Haven't been able to do too much research, but has gotten preliminary information through the coordinator.
 - e. Chair Hall: I myself drafted a proclamation that celebrates the Voting Rights Act (57 years ago) and have talked with Chair Holmes. Anyone who wants to be involved will be welcome. Be sure to loop caucuses in on government related advocacy legislation
 - f. DLeg Wangen: Be sure that proclamations are drafted and passed long before the event itself is happening. It is very awkward to pass a proclamation after the fact.
12. Miscellaneous Business
- a. Chair Hall: Everyone should've gotten an email about the Pulse Memorial (courtesy of Brodie). Be cognizant that it is between 1:00 PM and 5:00 PM. A Bus will leave at 1:30 and travel to the Pulse Memorial and UCFDT for debrief. Be wary since it is an hour before Senate and Orlando traffic can be treacherous.

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13. Final Roll Call: 11 /13

14. Adjournment: 2:53 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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