



# LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

UCF Student Government  
LJR Committee Meeting  
Charge on Chamber  
06/29/22  
11:00 AM

## MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 11:05 AM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 8/8

| Name                       | Email             | Initial | Final |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---------|-------|
| Chair Urea                 | sga_ljr@ucf.edu   | P       | P     |
| Vice-Chair McClellan       | sga_ba5@ucf.edu   | P       | P     |
| ELA Galloway               | sga_grst3@ucf.edu | P       | P     |
| Senator Martin             | sga_sci10@ucf.edu | E       | E     |
| Senator Tache              | sgsci13@ucf.edu   | P       | P     |
| Senator Yalamanchili       | sgamed3@ucf.edu   | P       | P     |
| Senator Patel              | sga_med2@ucf.edu  | P       | P     |
| Senator Nguyen             | sgaecs6@ucf.edu   | P       | P     |
| Pro-Tempore Representative | sga_pro@ucf.edu   | P       | P     |

3. [Approval of the Minutes](#): Approved by GC
4. Approval of the Agenda: Approved by GC
5. Announcements from the Chair-
  - a. We have an [absence tracker](#)....
    - i. If you have been skipping out, not texting me and not showing up..... You have now been exposed \*muahhhh ahh ahhh\* (i think that's a evil laugh)
    - ii. I'm kidding but also not. I will be dismissing people if this continues to happen :(
    - iii. Also shoutout to Ajay, Ryan and Vihan for being at every meeting this summer when even I have missed one. \*snaps for our kings\*

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6. Announcements from the Vice Chair-

- a. Welcome to the scuffed meeting, apologies for that. I am looking forward to working with you all today.

7. Announcements from Committee Members-

a. E&A Representative Senator Patel-

- i. We saw 3 out of 4 appointments for the election commission yesterday, it was a very swift meeting. One of the candidates was a returning member and was able to answer the majority of the questions on all the details of how the election process goes about. The other two candidates were also able to answer many questions and display passion for the position. All three candidates were easily voted in favor of, it was a swift and short meeting, the same will probably happen during confirmations in senate.

b. GAP Representative Senator Yalamanchili-

- i. Last week in GAP we finalized priority surgery and a gun reform survey. VC Temple prepared a legislative report and planned a block party on June 25th and SG tabled to help register voters.

c. SBA Representative-

- i. None

d. Pro-Temps Office-

- i. Pro Temp Ciresi will be out for longer than we had initially expected, and she will not be back until July 6th at the earliest. If you have any questions please refer them to DLeg Wangen or DSR Foster as she will not be available.
- ii. Legislation deadline is 5pm on Wednesday, all legislation must be submitted to both Pro Temp Ciresi and DLeg Wangen.
  - 1. If you need an extension, it must be requested before the regular deadline, and that request should be sent to both Pro Temp Ciresi and DLeg Wangen.
  - 2. If you only submit your legislation or extension request to Pro Temp Ciresi and not also to DLeg Wangen, no one will see it until Pro Temp Ciresi returns.
  - 3. As far as extension requests are concerned, extensions will not be granted to legislation DLeg Wangen has not already seen through

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advising or otherwise until the next full week that Pro Temp Ciresi will be back, so the week of July 10th-16th.

- iii. Please fill out the [Involvement Tracker](#)
  - 1. Reminder: We're looking to recognize involvement going beyond the basic requirements.
- iv. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me or anyone else in PT's Office!
- v. Galloway- tonight we have senate bonding foster and myself made. The link was emailed to everyone as well as on the outlook calendar. Please come

## 8. Announcements from Non-Committee Members-

- a. None

## 9. Old Business-

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

## 10. New Business-

- a. Bills
  - i. [Internal Bill 54-09](#) [Updates to Title II: Defining an Opinion][Chair Cox]
    - 1. Speech
      - a.
    - 2. Questioning
      - a.
    - 3. Debate
      - a.
    - 4. Voting **PPI**
- b. Resolutions
  - i. [Resolution 54-03](#) [Updates to Senate Rule 4: Adding Land Acknowledgements][Chair Cox]
    - 1. Speech

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- a.
  - 2. Questioning
    - a.
  - 3. Debate
    - a.
  - 4. Voting **PPI**
- b. [Absences](#)
  - i. Evann Cox- Whole meeting 7/21
    - 1. Speech
      - a.
    - 2. Questioning
      - a.
    - 3. Debate
      - a.
    - 4. Voting **PPI**
  - ii. Grace Castelin - Whole meeting 07/28
    - 1. Speech
      - a. I will be in Texas for the week for a convention with my family
    - 2. Questioning
      - a.
    - 3. Debate
      - a. Yalamanchili- there is no proof and we do not know what convention this is, but considering that this is with family I guess it is not academic. This is a month out so maybe we can PP this to ask for more information in the future.
    - 4. Voting **PP**
  - iii. Sam Ciresi - Whole meeting 06/30
    - 1. Speech
      - a.
    - 2. Questioning
      - a. McClellan- is there no way to attend virtually?
      - b. Wangen- she cannot be with her grandmother because of covid, she is potentially going to be hospitalized because of Covid
    - 3. Debate

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- a. Galloway- she is definitely sick, we should excuse this as a favor to her
- b. Tache- she is sick whether or not she is hospitalized is not relevant she does not need to come to work
- c. Yalamanchili- I agree, I hope she feels better, you do not expect people to come in sick and she needs all the rest she can get

4. Voting 7-0-0 Approved

c. Blanket Excuses

i. None

11. Member Discussion-

- a. Yalamanchili- I have talked to former senators who were LJR members and from what they have told me that the last LJR committee was more lenient. They did grant personal excuses and for unforeseen circumstances to an extent and when i told them how we do it now it was their opinion that we were strict. I do not believe this is concussive to the well being of senate. The idea of precedent is irrelevant and we can approve requests as we see fit. We should not worship precedent.
- b. Wangen- I do want to put last years LJR committee into perspective they approved blanket excuses that were statutorily not allowed. Precedent is not always great, having been in ORS we tried not to set any. We should reevaluate the policy.
- c. Urea- I think the fact that exec overturned the absences they should factor in.
- d. Galloway- As a former member of LJR basically was how we did it was we set a memo for ourselves for what we would and wouldn't approve so we can have everyone aware of what would or wouldn't be approved generally. We excused wedding and gave one mental health day, we should do something like this again to let everyone know.
- e. Urea- we did do a precedent sheet but we can change it.
- f. Tache- I want situational analysis. I tend to be the most lenient voter but today I was prepared to deny Grace's absence. It was only one absence at the end. But she has done great work. I would vote in favor of it if it was to set her over the edge. I know that we have done that that we approve

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absences for people when for some but not as much as others. I would have thought it nutty if I was kicked out of senate but not caucuses or committees

- g. Wangen- I do think there is a clause in last years but not in ours not that we can add in. And keep track or things
- h. Tache- I agree and we should also keep in mind that we are saying this is what we can approve but I want to look realistically should you be coming to the senate over that? Is a wedding more important than the senate? To look at that and count that an unexcused absence that is out of his control.
- i. Yalamanchili- I agree with previous LJR absence policies, for what they granted. We should not approve every one that is unreasonable but we should be more lenient than we are not. I do not want us to be seen as 1984.
- j. Urea- 8th grade flashbacks. Should I add that clause?
- k. Galloway- technically this is not official it isn't law. We should revisit it and vote on things to adopt.
- l. Informal 11:35 AM
- m. Formal 11:47 AM

## 12. Miscellaneous Business-

- a. [Absence policy](#) revision
- b. [Title three](#) review SLAYYYY
  - i. Informal 11:48 AM
    - 1. Discussed changing a line in title 3.
- c. [Super majority bill](#)
  - i. Formal 12:00 PM
    - 1. Said it looks good for the senate floor.

## 13. Final Roll Call: 8/8

## 14. Adjournment: 12:01 PM

### Key:

P - Present  
A - Absent  
MTD - Move to Debate  
MTV - Move to Vote  
MTA- Move to Amend

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PP - Postpone  
PPI - Postpone Indefinitely  
GC - General Consent

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