



# LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

**UCF Student Government**  
Elections & Appointments (E&A) Meeting  
UCF SG Conference Room  
06/21/22  
5:30 PM  
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## MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 5:40 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 6/8

Name	Email	Initial	Final
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3. Approval of the [minutes](#): Approved by GC
4. Approval of the Agenda: Approved by GC
5. Announcements from the Chair-
  - a. Hello!
  - b. Met w AG Caitlin today
  - c. Research + Gift Card

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6. Announcements from the Vice Chair-
  - a. Good afternoon everyone, Please speak clearly and slowly so that I can take good minutes.
  - b. JC's Movie of the Week this week is Mamma Mia!
7. Announcements from Committee Members-
  - a. None
8. Announcements from Non-Committee Members-
  - a. None
9. Old Business-
  - a. None
9. New Business-
  - i. [EC Material](#)
  - ii. [EC Questions](#)
  - iii. [Senate Materials](#)
  - iv. [Senate Questions](#)
  - b. Grace Myers - EC
    - i. Speech: Junior at UCF, Clinical Psychology, Involved with RSO on campus. Volunteers with Autism causes. Proficient in Sign Language. Came to UCF to utilize specialized opportunities for psychology. Wants to take this opportunity to get more involved in the community and UCF.
    - ii. Question:
      1. Almenar: how will you apply your knowledge with ASL to the EC?
        - a. Being a resource to the community and being inclusive. To have more communication.
      2. Guel: Describe the EC position?
        - a. Creating opportunities for UCF students to get involved and to ensure a safe and equal election. Inform students on election.
      3. Hall: any specific initiatives for EC?
        - a. only voted in the past due to RA telling them about it. Should focus on Marketing elections to student body, working with other SG officials to work on this. Marketing to the Had different colleges.
      4. Domino: How will you ensure voting and election integrity?

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- a. Open and clear communications, holding yourself and others accountable. Holding people to the EC statutes.
- iii. Debate
  - 1. Alemar: Debate in favor, good to have someone who can connect with a minority group. Can communicate with others where I can Not
  - 2. Guel: Debate in favor.
  - 3. Patel: Agrees with other sentiments.
- iv. Vote 5-0-0 Confirmed
- c. Tamani Harris - EC
  - i. Speech: Senior studying health sciences, wants to become an athletic trainer. Has experience with organizing at UCF. was a part of EC from 2020-2021. Had to resign due to not be able to make in person due to Covid reasons. I Want to do it again.
  - ii. Question
    - 1. Hall: What is something from your past experience in the EC that you want to see different.
      - a. Back when she was in EC there were people being biased. Wants to make sure people are unbiased.
    - 2. Guel: Can you describe the position?
      - a. The position is mainly to make sure everything runs smoothly and things are fair. Outreach to the student body, getting the word out.
    - 3. Guel: a lot of people dont know of EC, how will you market EC to students and get them involved.
      - a. Students know about homecoming but they don't know how to get involved in SG in general. So invite students to meetings, explain how people can get involved. Reach out to different organizations.
  - iii. Debate
    - 1. Hall: candidate has a lot of experience outside and inside SG. returning EC. can be a mentor to the new EC's
    - 2. Patel: likes that they are a returning EC.
  - iv. Vote 5-0-0 confirmed.
- d. Ashley Solomon - EC

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- i. Speech: Rising Sophomore. Criminal Justice major, Interested in why people do what they do. Interested in what leads to crime. Has had to navigate situations where they agreed and disagreed with others. Is an Orientation leader for 2022-2023. Is very knowledgeable on how to get people involved. Some initiatives are to encourage colleges to be more involved in Elections, marketing to their students. Making election procedures more clear.
  - ii. Question
    - 1. Guel: Where are official candidates posted.
      - a. In the SG office.
    - 2. Guel: what title do election statues fall under?
      - a. Title 6
    - 3. Almenar: how will you balance your time with the Orientation team and EC?
      - a. Will be able to commit to both because orientation ends in august.
    - 4. Hall: why apply for EC?
      - a. Was never involved in SG in highschool. In orientation the President and VP spoke of SG and that peaked their interest on how to get involved.
    - 5. Domino: What title does the EC use?
      - a. Title 6.
  - iii. Debate
    - 1. Hall: Nominee seems very qualified, with UCF and NON UCF work.
    - 2. Guel: Seems very well spoken and knowledgeable. Likes initiatives to involve different colleges.
  - iv. Vote 5-0-0 Confirmed
  - e. Michael Samuel - CHPS Senator
    - i. Speech: Junior majoring in Health Sciences, Involved in many RSOs. serving as a VICE-President. Has worked in the Mass office. Had worked under Speaker Cusitis. Had run in spring and did not get elected. Interacted with many who were elected and wants to try to get involved again. Comes from a Stem background, Initiatives for Destress events at points of High periods of stress. Enforcing anti cheating. Establish more lines of communications with CAPS, which can be improved. Increase support with

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Knights pantry. Wants to make sure opportunities for Students are widely available and accessible. I Want to improve communication for senators and students. Help international students, help them adapt to make their lives easier. Has lots of experiences in life wants to make an impact.

ii. Question

1. Guel: Should you be confirmed what committees would you join?
  - a. Interested with FAO, due to having experiences in RSO leadership.
2. Guel: 3 statutory requirements for senators.
  - a. Understating of constitution and statutes, attend retreats, attend training.
3. Hall: any caucuses you would be interested in?
  - a. Can you name me the caucuses?
  - b. Hall: states them.
  - c. Would be interested in AAPI.
4. Guel: name the pillars of UCF creed, which one do you value the most?
  - a. Names them, Excellence.
5. Domino: how will you utilize your previous campus involvement for senate?
  - a. Take lessons learned from criticism. To reach out and find questions and answers.

iii. Debate

1. Almenar: will be voting in favor, met them during spring elections. Were extremely passionate and still shows that passion. Should be a great addition to the senate.
2. Hall: has a lot of passion, wants more diversity in majors and he can bring that, has great initiatives.
3. Patel: likes the candidate. Used all their speech time, has a lot to say and a lot of initiatives.
4. Guel: has a lot of help to give, will personally be abstaining. Encourages all to vote in favor.

iv. Vote 4-0-1 confirmed.

- f. Jose Victor Moraes Uchoa (preferred name Victor) - COM Senator

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- i. Speech: Rising senior, really excited to potentially be a part of SG. i immigrated from Brazil in High School. Has always wanted to be a doctor in the United states. Has struggled a lot. Feels as if a lot of students are in the position where he was. Wants to help others reach connections. Was global health director, planned and organized a trip to Peru where they received funding from SG. Also involved with Leed, had an opportunity to discuss his research through this. Has proposals to work in the senate. Databases research, work with professors that need students for research. Wants to create incentives for students to Join RSO's, joining and RSO helped him alot, making connections and learning. Help students with shadowing for doctors and students. Greater connection with the med school. Greater contact with cultural RSO's
- ii. Question
  1. Guel: What does your Research database look like to you?
    - a. Make connecting students with professors with easier for students through websites.
  2. Almenar: are you aware on how you can achieve your initiatives?
    - a. No.
  3. Hall: How will you go about promoting and incentivizing RSOs on campus?
    - a. Use social media platform more to promote involvement and RSO opportunities.
  4. Guel: can you name statutory requirements?
    - a. Attend Senate and joining at least one committee.
  5. Guel: what committees would you join.
    - a. ORS, is interested in how they can be apart of the funding process. And SBA to help connect different cultures on campus and health care
  6. Guel: what is your greatest weakness and how can you develop past it through SG?
    - a. Pride, in the senses of not asking for help. Has had a lot of difficulty with language barriers in the past. Will have to communicate and ask for help.
- iii. Debate

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1. Almenar: Will debate in favor, candidate has clear passions to joining different aspects of Senate, fiscal and advocacy.
2. Guel: will be debating in favor for multiple reasons. His temperament will be good for senate, has good ideas for joining different committees. Has good initiatives, research database and job shadowing.
- iv. Vote 4-0-1
- g. Jay Himmatbhai Parmar - CECS Senator
  - i. Speech: Is a global student from India, UCF has been kind to him so he wants to take the opportunity to help others at UCF. is interested in technology. Wants to help students understand their resources, and example being CAPS.
  - ii. Questions
    1. Guel: which title goes over the legislative branch?
      - a. Title 3
    2. Guel: 3 statutory requirements?
      - a. Attend senate meetings, join committees, vote for Senate president and pro temp.
    3. Hall: What committees would you like to join?
      - a. FAO & CRT.
    4. Guel: you in the past were a part of SG in 2021, why did you step down?
      - a. A family emergency in India had to go back and time differences did not work.
    5. Domino: What is something you would bring to the senate to help RSO's?
      - a. His knowledge in technology. Improving websites.
    6. Guel: interested in workshops, can you explain them a bit?
      - a. Vision of workshops is to help students from different colleges who would not have certain knowledge from other colleges, get more knowledge from speakers.
    7. Domino: What is your understanding of the Fiscal process?
      - a. Does not have practical experience in the process, but will try best to explain it and will learn.

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iii. Debate

1. Hall: nominee is very qualified, in other realms and UCF. good to see positive energy for fiscal committees.
2. Patel: likes their interest in fiscal committees. Is also a returning member for SG shows commitment.

iv. Vote 5-0-0 Confirmed.

10. Member Discussion:

- a. None

11. Miscellaneous Business:

- a. Please contact the Chair directly or email for absences.
- b. Ice Breaker: Favorite Drink?

12. Final Roll Call: 5/8

13. Adjournment: 7:00PM

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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