



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS AND POLICY

UCF Student Government
GAP Committee Meeting
Charge On Chamber
09/18/2025
5:00 PM

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 5:00PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum (7): 10/12

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Varela	Sgagap@ucf.edu	P	P
Vice Chair Candiloro	sga_sci3@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Al-Qudah		E	E
Senator Chauhan		P	P
Senator Escobar	sgachps2@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Faucette	sga_grst2@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Jain	sgacie2@ucf.edu	E	E
Senator Lipner	sga_ugst1@ucf.edu	A	A
Senator Paul	sga_cah1@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Reed	sga_cah2@ucf.edu	P (5:09)	P
Senator Rickett		A	A
Senator Smith	sgacie4@ucf.edu	P	P
LJR Representative	Sga_ljr@ucf.edu	P	P
Pro Tempore Representative	Sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	P

3. Approval of the Minutes: **Approved by: GC**

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5. Open Forum:

None

6. Announcements from the Chair:

- a. Hi all, lots of things on the agenda today.
- b. We will work on the next edition of the GAP newsletter. We have a lot more to do other than that, so I want to get through that quick
- c. Coordinator Demarco will be joining us so please give her your upmost respect and feel free to ask her any questions about DATC planning
- d. Me and Shane worked together to make an updated survey so I will go over the changes today
- e. We have our first batch of bills to brief. Reminder that these briefs are BRIEF and are by no means meant to be an exhaustive analysis

7. Announcements from the Vice Chair

- a. Hi everyone. I hope you all have had a great week. Excited to start reviewing bills and writing briefs!

8. Announcements from Committee Members:

None

9. Announcements from Non-Committee Members:

None

a.

10. Old Business:

- a. Resolutions
 - i. None

11. New Business:

- a. Resolutions
 - i. None
- b. GAP Newsletter

Federal:

- Trump wants to finalize TikTok deal

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o <https://www.cnn.com/2025/09/16/tiktok-bytedance-oracle-china.html>

University news:

- [Student Loan Transparency](#)

State:

- [Poll: Clean energy popular among everyone](#)
- [Florida college announces Charlie Kirk statue](#)
- [Job well done: Florida ranks top in the nation for attracting workforce talent](#)
- [Groundbreaking Celebration of Blue Shanty Flow-way Project](#)

UCF:

- [UCF Doctoral Graduates Leading the Charge in Job Placement and Starting Salaries](#)
- [Philosophy Faculty Lead Ethical Conversations Surrounding AI](#)

Orlando:

- [Death on star dust racers](#)

Opportunities:

Legislation:

- [Dan Daley refiles bill to require anti-mass shooter training for teachers](#)

Student Government News:

- [Knightshot is back](#)

c. Bill Briefs

[Bill Brief Template.docx](#)

- [SB 40:Medicaid Providers](#)
Varela:[Brief \(EXAMPLE\)](#)
- [SB 38: Parity for Non-Nursing Services Under Long-Term Managed Care Plans](#)

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- Khushi
- [SB 38 Brief.docx](#)
- iii. [SB 36: Use of Professional Nursing Titles](#)
 - Abby
- iv. [SB 54: Use of Substances Affecting Cognitive Function](#)
 - Dyne'
 - [SB 54: Brief](#)
- v. [HB 23: Educator Certifications and Training](#)
 - Faucette
 - [HB 23 - Educator Certifications and Trainings.docx](#)
- vi. [SB 52: Security Services at Places of Worship](#)
 - Reed
 - [Bill Brief SB 52](#)
- vii. [SB 48: Housing](#)
 - Bobby
 - Brief: [SB48](#)
- viii. [HB 19: Educational Dollars for Duty Program](#)
 - Jocelyn
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- d. New Survey
 - i. New Updates
 - (1) Split policy areas: Florida Policy & Campus Policy areas
 - (2) Survey students if we should advocate for student issues or political issues?

Reed: A suggestion about campus safety. Make it more general to ensure our police are campus trained. All UCF police are, however, for some campuses that is not the case.

Varela: We can include that in the campus police section.

Faucette: Question about the college question. Are we trying to look at what is important to each college?

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Varela: To ensure we cover each college's interests. For example, if we get 70 COS students and 20 Engineering students. We want to ensure everyone is heard and not overshadowed. The survey should hopefully be published by Monday.

12. Member Discussion:

- a. Coordinator Demarco: The itinerary will be similar to last year. Florida Supreme Court tour. Then we would go into the capitol and tour the debate and senate floor. Varela's idea to do a more centralized group focused on specific interests. Students will be more interested if it's advertised as a networking opportunity and passionate about it. Lunch will be midday, similar to last year. Easier for legislators to come. We will do more meetings and group photos and head out. Any questions?
 - b. Escobar: Do we have a date?
 - c. Demarco: Yes, January 27th. GAP will all be going. No interviews. Affordable housing and open carry system are issues students seem to care about. Opportunity for students to talk to committee staffers. Feel free to email me if you have any questions. Applications will be on Knight Connect. And will be moved to interviews on Zoom for flexibility and final decision.
 - d. LJR Rep: Are we still going through the application process still as GAP members.
 - e. Demarco: No, I do not think so. We can discuss legislation you're passionate about.
- a. Orange County Public Appearance – Tuesday, October 21st @ 2:00 PM
 - a. <https://www.orangecountyfl.net/OpenGovernment/LegislativeDelegation/StateLegislativeDelegation.aspx>

13. Miscellaneous Business:

- a. Icebreaker:

14. Final Roll Call: 10/12

15. Adjournment: 6:01 PM

Key:

P – Present

A - Absent

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MTD - Move to Debate
MTV - Move to Vote
MTA- Move to Amend
PP - Postpone
PPI - Postpone Indefinitely
GC - General Consent

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