



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

UCF Student Government
E&A Committee Meeting
SG Conference Room
09/25/25
03:45 p.m.

ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 3:47 P.M.
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum:
 2. a. 8/10 (6)

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Chau	sga_ea@ucf.edu	P	P
Vice Chair Roehrkas	sgaecs10@ucf.edu	E	E
Senator Escobar	sgachps@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Ariza	sga_ba3@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator McNulty	sgaecs9@ucf.edu	P	E
Senator Malik	sga_ecs3@ucf.edu	A	A
Senator Lipner	sga_ugst1@ucf.edu	P	P
Pro Tempore Representative Kapos	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	P
LJR Representative Matthews	sga_sci7@ucf.edu	P	P
EC Representative McCarthy	sgec7@ucf.edu	P	E

1. Approval of the Minutes: [09.18.2025](#) **Approved by GC**
2. Approval of the Agenda: **Approved by GC**
3. Open Forum:
 - a.
4. Announcements from the Chair:
 - a. Good afternoon, everyone! In today's meeting, we will see TWO confirmations for the Election Commission! Please remain germane and relevant in terms of questioning and debate! If you want to question the candidates about their statutory duties, make sure to check out Title VI - Chapter 601 Election Commission.

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- b. Additionally, we will be discussing Title VI revisions for Chapter 603 Candidates and discussing how we can present the ranked choice voting system to the student body before the election period!
- c. I also wanted to provide everyone on the committee with the opportunity to have some additional input on statute revisions and ERP with the Election Commission and AG. This will be hosted right after our E&A Committee meeting with LPR- from 4:45 PM to 5:45 PM at SU225 on Oct. 2nd! If you believe that you cannot attend, you can reach out and tell me any ideas that you have so I can relay them during our meeting!
- 5. Announcements from the Vice Chair:
 - a. Hello everyone, apologies for my absence. Make sure we're continuing to do an amazing job at vetting the candidates before us, and I'll be sure to see you all during Senate tonight!
- 6. Announcements from Committee Members:
 - a. LJR Rep: Message from Chair Gaudio about Dean meetings, they are coming up and they are **MANDATORY**. If you cannot make it, you must inform myself, the External Legislative Assistant, and the Pro Tempore before the meeting starts. If you fail to do so, you will be considered immediately dismissed from your seat and would need to appeal your dismissal at the next Senate meeting before you could resume your duties. I'll be including it in this week's report. I recommend submitting dean meeting absence requests in advance, as LJR still must approve dean meeting absence requests.
 - b. DSR Kapinos: Hey Everyone, I just wanted to remind everyone that terrarium making is happening tonight and so if you had not signed up yet, the first 30 get a free jar and then we will probably have more supplies so if you would like to come just bring an extra jar, and you can join in on the fun.
 - c. EC Rep: Hi everyone! I wanted to let you know that next Thursday (the 2nd) I do invite all of you to EC's LPR meeting to discuss the ERP and title VI rehaul. It will consist of both the Supervisor and Assistant Supervisor of Elections, the AG, and some of the election commission. Hope to see you all there!
 - i. Assistant Supervisor Collazo: We know that we were anticipating 3 commissioners today but one of them had canceled so there will be 2 open election commission seats. Oct 13th the statutes will be reviewed by the commission.

Announcements from Non-Committee Members:

- d.
- 7. Old Business:
 - a. None.

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8. New Business:

a. Confirmations

- i. [Confirmation Materials](#)
- ii. Charish Hall – Election Commission Seat #6 (5-5-5)

1. Speech

- (a) Hi, I am junior and I am excited to be a part of senate and I wanted to be a part of this committee, I have many hobbies, like gardening and painting and I enjoy volunteering at the pet shelter, I also pride myself on being unbiased when it comes to making decision and finding people that can represent other, I feel like this is a good quality for the election commission, I will make sure that I adhere to the election statutes for example with where the candidates are allowed to campaign and the time frame in which they can campaign, I will make sure that everything gets approved and that they don't exceed spend limits. Tier 4 can result in a disqualification, and I feel that it is important to remain impartial and transparent, especially in this process, without favoritism, and that it adheres to the election commission's interest.

2. Question

- (b) Senator Lipner: How do you plan on balancing your time with this position?
 - (i) Making sure that I keep up to date with my planners and that I don't overlap any events for availability
- (c) Any committee that you would like to sit on?
 - (i) None
- (d) Can you name any of the committees?
 - (i) No
- (e) Senator Escobar: How do you plan on being unbiased?
 - (i) If I feel like I am really involved and lean toward something, I will try and take a step back and hearing out other people and see what mostly lines up with the problem/candidate that we are facing
- (f) Senator Matthews: Why do you want to be a commissioner
 - (i) I find it interesting when it comes to helping the candidates and being a part of the process is interesting.

3. Debate

- (g) Mathews: During the speech, she went over the tiers of violations and what comes with them, and I would vote in favor as she is very knowledgeable

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- (h) Senator McNulty: I will be voting in favor as she is very knowledgeable a
4. Vote 6-1-0
- iii. Sarah Aguiar – Election Commission Seat #9
1. Speech
- (a) Junior and majoring in political science and political studies, I have admired student government and the leadership, I organized a philanthropy event that contributed over 160,000\$. I delegated responsibilities, and it prepared me to take on roles that demand responsibility that is needed for the election commission, and I believe that it has given me the perspective, it has shaped me into a candidate that is deeply encouraged to be a part of the election commission, and with my academic background, I strive for fairness and creating environments that cultivates trust and conflicts have lead me take challenges, and honesty, and I believe that everything that election commission stands for, and that student government stands to be inclusive and accountable.
2. Question
- (b) Senator Ariza: Can you name one of the duties of a election commissioner in title 6
- (i) That the elections are transparent and held accountable for any violations, and overall maintaining a fair and transparent election
- (c) Senator McNulty: Do you have time to balance a sorority and Student Government
- (i) The sorority is very understanding and I am not afraid that if I put too much on my plate and they will work with me
- (d) Why do you want this role?
- (i) All the qualities of the election commission are ones that I strive for
- (e) Senator Lipner: Is there a committee that you are looking into joining?
- (i) Marketing if I can
- (f) What is a basic timeline of the election commission?
- (i) I know that it starts a week before the spring break, and it last for about 10 weeks
- (g) Senator Escobar: What do you hope to learn more?
- (i) I plan on gaining a better understanding of title VI
3. Debate

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- (h) Senator Escobar:
 - (i) She expressed knowledge of title VI and its structure and aligned herself with the values of the election commission and what they stand for
- (i) Senator Lipner
 - (i) I think she will be a great fit for the roll
- (j) Senator Ariza
 - (i) She expressed her willingness to learn in the areas she is not knowledgeable in
- 4. Vote 7-0-0
- b. Internal Bills
 - i. [Internal Bill 57-13](#) - (5-5-5)
 - 1. Speech
 - (a) Senator Escobar: hello E&A, every year we pass the senate reapportionment bill, and right now each senator represents 1000 students within their college, and the enrollment data came out a few weeks ago and that is what the reapportionment is based on, so if you look you will see some of the seats have increased and the 58th session, the Student body will be made up of 72 senators
 - (b) College of humanities 4 seats
 - (c) College of business 9 seats
 - (d) College of Graduate Studies 6 seats
 - (e) College of engineering 14 seats
 - (f) College of graduate studies 10 seats
 - (g) Health Science 5 seats
 - (h) Hospitality seats 2 seats
 - (i) Medicine 3 seats
 - (j) Nursing 2 seats
 - (k) Optics and photonics 1 seat
 - (l) Sciences 15 seats
 - (m) Undergraduate studies 2 seats
 - (n) Undeclared 1 seat
 - 2. Question
 - (o) Senator Lipner: was this the AIP for the 2024-2025 school year?
 - (i)
 - (p) Senator McNulty: How is it rounded?
 - (i) It is rounded to the nearest thousand, it rounds up and down
 - (ii) Under 1000 gets one seat regardless
 - (iii) Lipner: Optics is small and might contribute to the mismatch

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3. Debate

a. Debate on Amendment by Lipner

- (q) Lipner: the college of undergraduate studies is now in the college of innovation and education, these seats are now moved here
- (r) Escobar: Is this updated in Title III?
- (s) Lipner: Uncertain but as of next year this college will be incorporated into CCIE
- (t) Escobar: It is in line with the AIP
- (u) Lipner: Based off the numbers, they should be correct
- (v) Matthews: Can we go to someone with official information, so we cannot do this ourselves

(2) Debate on Bill

- (a) Escobar: This has not been updated on Title 3 or the AIP, we can't put it in line with the CCIE and it is still its own college with its own enrolment, title 3 does not have a provision for the college of undergraduate studies being moved, title 3 does say that we technically can??
- (b) Lipner: We had this discussion last year, this is the interim year, if we can't change it to a title difference, we should change the title.
- (c) Escobar: We can't wait to pass it according to Title II because it had to be passed immediately, the apportionment has to be passed immediately following this, but we do need to strike through the table of college of undergraduate studies
- (d) Lipner: Motion to postpone Internal Bill 57-13 until next meeting

(3)

- (a) Lipner: Motion to Un postpone Bill 57-13
- (b) Lipner: Motion to see amendment as block
 - (i) I am moving over the college and adjusting the seats according and updated whereas clauses
- (c) Vote on Amendment: 6-0-0

4. Vote (6-0-0)

9. Member Discussion:

- a. Chau: Title VI Rehaul- Chapter 603 Candidates.
 - i. Link: [TITLE VI Markup.docx](#)
 - ii. MTIF – 10-minute Recess.

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10. Miscellaneous Business:

a. None.

11. Final Roll Call: 6/10

12. Adjournment: 4:44 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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