

GA Minutes SoSe 2023 I

Date: 26th May 2023

Time: 2pm

Place: KG 3042

Attendants:

Sophia, Quill, [11 students], board members, 3 staffs

Powerpoint (PDF format):  GA Slides SoSe 2023 I.pdf

Call to watch Café Populaire, play directed by Rahel (and starring Felix): June 15, 16, 18, 19. To be put in newsletter!

Welcoming everyone:

Townhall meeting:

- New UCF Staff member: Dr. Melanie Altanian, Frieder Vogelmann's assistant, from UC Dublin, available as advisor and BA supervisor starting May
- Foundational year:
 - First-year elective for those who don't take a language class! Prioritized for first-year students, registration will be weird given the late arrival of first-years but contact staff if you want to take part nonetheless
- Student processes: Admin and form submission
 - Instead of submitting PDF forms: Data collection form on ILIAS
 - We will be ladies and lords of our own entries! (aka no one can see what we submit on ILIAS in the new data collection form)
 - Pilot to be announced by Anne Klemperer next week re: EPICUR/EUCOR as well as thesis registration
- ILIAS Info board
 - Make sure you set your notifications to what you want on the forum!
 - Mandatory: News and Announcements sticky thread, rest is voluntary (but all other sticky threads are equally recommended)
- ChatGPT
 - Discussed in BOS
 - University cannot prohibit use of ChatGPT
 - Recommended particularly for paraphrasing and understanding questions/sentences in readings
 - "Tool not crutch"
 - To be treated as source: needs to be referenced, and you can't just have it generate whole paragraphs let alone essays
 - What it generates won't fully fit your needs, anyway

- You are responsible for the content you include: and since ChatGPT sometimes (often) generates false or fake stuff, esp. For citations, you will be held accountable
- Not yet any specific guidelines for how it needs to be cited, currently in development
- Updated declaration of authorship (available and generally applicable to all courses)
- Not yet decided on whether ChatGPT Tracking Software will be used

GA:

Officeholder updates:

EOs:


- Past events:
 1. 1st ICGT: 5th May.
 2. SC meeting was on Friday at 1pm;
minutes are already on SC website
(<https://studentscouncil.de/intranet/newsletters-more/>);
- Changes:

New website (<https://studentscouncil.de/>)

Has events calendar on front page of SC website!

Committees will get own account, guide coming soon!

Password: Liberal

website guide available ( Students Council Website Guide.pdf)
credit to Radu and Caren!

New icon  (also credit Radu!)

New name (Student Council)

- Future:

1. SC meeting: We will come up with a new date with our new members when they are elected.

2. ICGT on July 7th 2pm AU036a - particularly useful for international students, but go regardless as **we will have drinks and food!**

3. Charter amendments! BIG PROJECT of the semester!

- a. The Charter (<https://studentscouncil.de/2023/05/12/charter/>)

- b. Background:

was amended 2019 & 2021, yet on minor issues.

- c. Aim:

for the sake of consistency and coherence

for the sake of clarification

- d. Problems of the Charter (see the powerpoint for detailed info)

Some rules does not apply anymore

Some wordings has to be amend

The SC has no official name

Etc.

- e. The plan

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| 1. Charter amendment document | ← | Two chances to contribute your thoughts! |
| 2. Discuss with new office holders | | |
| 3. A panel (?) ← | | |
| 4. Discuss once more with SC office holders in SC meeting + discuss with UCF staffs | | |
| 5. AIM: WS GA I 2023/24, announce the agenda and the plan earlier than usual & Get it passed in the GA | | |

- Many parts need to be reworked!
- Charter amendments need to reach a quorum of 60 students, should be done at 1st GA of winter term!
- Discussion panel to happen potentially in late June, whole project to be completed preferably before the summer break

Charter amendment document:

 **Charter amendments** (<https://shorturl.at/dezKW>)

- Reminders:

1. If you want to put anything in the Newsletter, please email us by Friday.

2. Every LAS student is a Students Council member, so you all have to right to join the Students Council meeting and we always want more people joining our discussions!

BOS:

- Had meeting w/ staff, among others on ChatGPT

Mediators:

- Ella and Luise finishing up their term, looking for 2 new mediators
- Tasks: website, conflict resolution, showing new students around town & serving as a first point of contact

Treasurer:

- Financial report

Name of Budget	Current Balance	Beginning Balance	Changes in Budget	Largest Expense		Notes
Student's Council	2,706.83€	2,418.52€	-288.31€	88,20€		* wine for UCF graduation
SVB	18,144.43€	18,289.78€	145.35€	135,35		* a UCF to Basel
Fachschaft Budget	1,950€	1,300.00€	-650.00€	150,00€		* winter formal
Art's Liberated	3,034.29€	3.034,29€	0	350,00€		* deposit for Peterhoff Keller for the UCF winter formal
					Total Available Funds	25,835.55€

- Recommendation to use StuRa budget as much as we can because that replenishes and stacks! (But also SVB is great)
- Really, use SVB: Nina Kupke is really really good at finding potential applications and justifications for using educational money for our purposes

Outreach:

- UCF sweaters in process of development, but more volunteers would be super duper helpful. Otherwise it's just super slow!
- Good vibes from hitchhiking challenge!

Secretary of University Affairs/StuRa:

- Run for StuRa for the good snacks!
- Want to ask some questions? Reach out to Caren!
- Want to run (for delegate)? Talk to Alex!
- Uni Elections from 13th to 19th of July
- Reminder: LAS Student Board on ILIAS now available!

International Representative:

- ICGT on July 7th 2pm AU036a - particularly useful for international students, but go regardless as we will have drinks and food!

UCF Instagram Account:

- UCF Instagram Account is looking for successors!

Thank You to office-leaving people!

Committees:

- ArtsLiberated
 - Lots of money and savings accumulated! Redistributed to other projects, among others students council and outreach but also charities (see slides for detailed breakdown). None of the money was SVB!
- FeminismToGo
 - Have been meeting weekly since winter term and have done some things!
 - Poster project, bathroom conversations, menstruation products, etc.
 - New things are coming: UB survey re: catcalling and safety, lecture series
 - Meeting time: Wednesdays 6pm in Reading Room
- GAD
 - not active recently
- MUN
 - Conference in Freiburg from July 27th to July 29th
 - Weekly Debates on Wednesdays at 8, very chill and beginner-friendly

- Still some money left, to be used to sponsor MUN conference attendance!
- Quixotic committee
 - No big news, but still active for now (until Lisa and Hannah leave)
 - Planned excursion to a museum!
 - Next session on parasocial relationships, also upcoming: girlboss-ism!
- Keeper of Scrolls and Grounds/Reading Room
 - Printer up and running! Free for all to use (within reason)
 - Key gone?
 - Second key can be picked up by volunteer on Tuesday (30th of May), or otherwise by Karla after the break
 - Book acquisition open! Link in email!
 - Narnia and Reading Room cleanup on Friday, June 9th, 10-15:00
 - Inventory List to be compiled!
- Disassembl3D
 - Please take over the committee.
 - Also, 3D-printing workshop coming up in June
- Jack
 - not very active
- Repair Cafe:
 - It exists
 - Occasional meetings to come and repair stuff together
- Crochet Committee
 - Workshop coming up
- Intensity
 - Just a reminder about upcoming camping
 - Talk to Quill if you're interested in helping

Election:

- Open positions
 - 2 Executive Organizers (at least 1 non-female (Charter §9aiv))
 - 2 Delegates to the Board of Studies
 - 2 Mediator (at least 1 non-male (Charter §9aiv))
 - 1 Treasurer
 - 1 Secretary of Outreach
- Link for voting:
 - studentscouncil.de/intranet/polls/student-council-elections-summer-semester-2023/

- Executive Organizer:

1. Niko Christen

My name is Niko Christen, I'm 20 years old, and a First Year in the Liberal Arts and Sciences Program. Throughout High School I was involved in Student Government at a variety of levels, so I will bring a fair amount of event-organizing experience to the job. I have thoroughly enjoyed my first year of LAS, and by taking the office of EO I hope to give back to our LAS Community. So, while my time-commitment and level of involvement will have their limitations I hope to better our little bastion of Liberalism.

There are two LAS/Student Council Projects I am currently working on:

- Editing and revising the UCF Student Council Charter
- Establishing a Gaming Committee within UCF (Board Games, Role-Playing Games, etc.)

While running for the office of EO I am also working on getting into the StuRa and the StuRa Senate. I will likely be representing UCF in the StuRa and Kampus Gruen in the StuRa Senate.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to a productive year with the Student Council.

2. Antonia Rubilar

My name is Antonia, I'm from cohort 11 and I'd like to run for EO.

I'd like to take part in creating a welcoming environment in LAS, as it has been until now. I feel capable and I'd be delighted to have more responsibility in my participation to this community. Since I'm a very committed and trustworthy person, I believe I'd be a great contribution.

- Mediator:

1. Nicole Ahn

hi everyone! my name is nicole, 5th year governance student and i love ducks. i am running for a mediator position because i am passionate about ensuring that LAS is a healthy and happy community where everyone is included :) please vote for me for a ducky time.

2. Rahel Szirtes

Hey all, I'm Rahel, your friendly neighborhood first year, applying for the position of Mediator! Ever since I came to Freiburg in October I have very much enjoyed being part of the UCF community and being involved in things that are going on (like organizing the Winter Formal). I would love to get to know even more of you, be there to mediate conflicts for you and help out with organizing community events - all of which I would be able to do as your Mediator. :)

- BoS:

1. Milena Schwotzer

I am Milena and I would like to become your new delegate to the board of studies.

I am a third year Life Science major and just returned from my semester abroad.

Already in my third year, I have become very familiar with the StuPo (and struggles with it) and the structure of UCF.

As delegate to the board of studies, I hope to be a good representative of the UCF student body and our interests. Since I am a Life Science student myself, I am especially (but of course not only) concerned with questions around classes at other faculties, internships etc.

Additionally, I am curious to gain insights to the processes behind the scenes of UCF.

I would be honoured to be your next delegate to the board of studies!

2. Alexandra Xasterouli

Hey everybody,

I am Alex, the former EO. Although, I am still in my first study year, I would love to contribute to the LAS-community as a BoS-Delegate. I am looking forward to learning from the former BoS-delegates and to contribute to the Board of Studies to the best of my abilities.

Thank you for voting:)

3. Jakob Kolberg

Hi, I'm Jakob, running to become one of your BoS Delegates for the next year. As a 4th Year Governance student, I have witnessed both the old and the new LAS StuPo, and those of some other degree programs. I want to contribute all my wisdom and experience towards shaping our program in a student-friendly way. I think this can best be achieved through open communication between teaching staff and students, and I am looking forward to representing your concerns and ideas in the BoS conversations and beyond.

- Outreach:

Deborah Krzyzowski

Hey! I am Deborah, 4th-year Governance major, enthusiastic about international relations and affairs. I spent my 3rd year at the University of Warwick and loved the international community there. Hence, I want to expand the international communication between UCF and other Colleges.

- Treasurer:

Lena Diakite

Hi, my name is Lena Diakite and I am running for the office of the treasurer. I have been the Student Council treasurer last semester and I want to continue holding the position. I like to plan and I know how to use an excel sheet. Also, I like a challenge. I won't be bringing a ton of new ideas to the position (there can only be so much creativity in filing reimbursements), if

elected I do plan on streamlining the process of requesting funds. Most likely through an online form.