

Regional Transit System Advisory Board

Term Length (Year)	Term Limit	mber of Memb	Mandate	Board Liaison	Board Liaison Email
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					Board Liaison Phone Number
					352-393-7874

Member First Name	Member Last Name	Term Start	Term End	Role
Daniel	Cliff	16 Jan 2020	30 Sep 2022	Member
Elizabeth	Hauck	04 Apr 2018	30 Sep 2022	Member
Logan	Ladnyk	06 Oct 2022	30 Sep 2025	Member
Adam	Livay	04 Nov 2021	30 Sep 2024	Member
Christy	Haven	01 Mar 2019	31 May 2020	County Appointed
Oscar	Santiago Perez	10 Feb 2022	30 Sep 2022	Member
Barbara	Scott	22 Apr 2014	31 May 2020	County Appointed
Harrison	Scoville	03 Oct 2019	30 Sep 2022	Member

Board Description

(Nine (9) Members; 3-Year Terms. Board recreated with the adoption of ordinance #960051 (March 10, 1997). The duties of the Regional Transit System Advisory Board shall be to advise the City Commission on all matters relating to public transit development in the City of Gainesville and Alachua County including 1) to develop and analyze policies concerning the operation of the regional transit system; 2) to develop approaches for financing the regional transit system on a long-term basis; 3) to review ridership, routes, rates and other related matters; 4) to consider questions referred to it by the City Commission. All recommendations must include City Manager or designee comments. And, to review all matters relating to the Regional Transit System that must be approved by the City Commission. The issues will then be sent to the City Commission with the recommendations of both the board and City Manager or designee.

Membership shall be composed of: Six (6) CITY RESIDENTS appointed by the City Commission and three (3) Residents of Alachua County appointed by the County Commission from among the following individual groups: (1) Regular user of the transit system; (2) Senior Citizen; (3) Person with a disability; (4) University of Florida student nominated from a list of at least three names submitted by the University of Florida Student Senate; (5) Chamber of Commerce Representative; (6) Major employer in the local area; (7) Environmental community; (8) Neighborhood/homeowners associations; (9) Student oriented housing developments; (10) Santa Fe Community College student; (11) Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization Citizen Advisory Committee.

Name :Santiago Perez, Oscar

Address :404, 2800, SW 35th Pl., Gainesville, FL, 32608

Email :osantiagoperez@ufl.edu

Board Name :Regional Transit System Advisory Board

Please confirm Full Name, including middle initial, prefix, and physical mailing address :

Oscar A. Santiago Perez

In what city district do you live? :

District 3

Employer :N/A

Phone Number :7875982310

Occupation :Student

Why are you interested in serving on this board? (Please answer separately for each board you are applying to.) :

As the student member on this board, I have attended meetings for this board and provided input to the items discussed in the advisory board. I have also brought up concerns from students and relayed responses back as I receive answers. This has allowed me to better understand the internal workings of RTS and how they are actively working to resolve issues that they are aware of or are brought to their attention. I hope to be appointed for the member position because I want to continue to represent my fellow students on the board and play a greater role in advocating for continued RTS accessibility.

How many terms have you served on this board previously? :1

Disclaimer:

Under Florida law, all information, including e-mail, written letters, documents and phone messages, sent to the Gainesville City Commission are subject to Public Records law. This includes the sender's e-mail address, home address or phone number if shown in the message, the content of the message and any associated attachments to the mail.

Do you claim any exemption to public record disclosure pursuant to FLA. STAT. Section 119? :

No

Have you been removed from any advisory board for attendance, behaviour or another reason? :

No

Disclaimer:

Some boards and commissions require membership to be racially, politically or geographically proportionate to the general public. The following information helps track our recruitment and diversity efforts.

Optional: Gender :

Male

Optional: Ethnicity :

African American;Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

Are you a City of Gainesville Employee? :

No

Are you a City of Gainesville Intern? :

No

Are you currently on a City Advisory Board/Committee? :

Yes

If yes, which City Advisory Board/Committee? :

Regional Transit System Advisory Board - Student Member

Some of the boards and committees appointed by the City Commission are required to comply with Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, the Financial Disclosure Law. If applicable, would you be willing to file the required financial statement? :

Yes

Do you affirm that your personal and business (if applicable) affairs within the City of Gainesville and Alachua County are in substantial compliance with all city and county regulatory and taxing authorities rules and regulations? * :

Yes

Do you agree with the following statement? Appointees to advisory board/committees are required to attend scheduled meetings as specified in the "Advisory Board Handbook." * :

Yes

Do you agree with the following statement? I understand that this completed application is the property of the City of Gainesville, is subject to public record requests and I hereby certify that the statements made on this application are true and correct. :

Yes

Attachments:

- Resume - Oscar Santiago - RTS Advisory Board.pdf

Oscar Santiago Perez

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EDUCATION

University of Florida College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Criminology

Minor in Mass Communication

GPA: 3.90/4.0

Gainesville, FL

May 2024

LEADERSHIP & INVOLVEMENT

University of Florida – Pride Student Union

Treasurer

Gainesville, FL

Apr 2022 - Present

- Create and maintain the budget for Pride Student Union and the Queer Cultivation Program
- Work with the President and the Queer Cultivation Program Executive Director in order to prepare a budget for the upcoming academic year and present it to the Student Government and Appropriations Committee.
- Maintain a team of Finance Directors to assist with the financial aspects of the organization.
- Responsible for all fundraising and sponsorship aspects of the organization, both for charitable organizations and for the growth and maintenance of an Outside Revenue account for the organization.

Regional Transit System Advisory Board

Student Member

Gainesville, FL

Feb 2022 – Present

- Hear recent developments regarding the public transport system in Gainesville.
- Discuss issues relating to the public transport system and recommend actions to be taken.
- Encourage civic participation with the board to bring up issues concerning bus routes and other services provided by the public transportation system.

University of Florida - Student Government

Senator

Gainesville, FL

Oct 2021 – Present

- Represent the interests and concerns of the students residing in District D, an area covering the 32608 zip code, in the Student Senate.
- Attend weekly Senate meetings to discuss campus needs and student concerns
- Written pieces of legislation on matters that affect student life.
- Passed resolutions urging the university to reinstate funding for 24-hour libraries and to recognize May as Mental Health Awareness

Hawthorne Middle/High School

Digital Classroom Assistant

Virtual – Alachua County Public Schools

Oct 2020 – Mar 2021

- Engaged with students and observe a classroom via Zoom, followed up with students to keep them focused and ensure they understood the material
- Aided the teacher in monitoring the behavior of 7 students resulting in improved classroom behavior.
- Maintained attendance records for the Zoom section of the class.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Skills:** Bilingual in Spanish and English, experienced with Microsoft Office Suite
- **Awards:** Dean's List – Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2021
- **High School:** Senior Class Secretary, SGA, National Honors Society Senior Representative, Spanish Club