

12/5/2022 Senate Meeting Minutes

[Monday, 12/5/2022]

Meeting called to order on [12/5/2022] at [8:03 pm] in ASB 522

I. Roll Call

- a. President Paolo Miyashiro Bedoya
- b. Senate President Ashley Gomez
- c. Senate Vice President Aime Lara
- d. Senate Secretary Leyla Merhi
- e. Graduate Senator: Andy Annucci
- f. ASB School Senator: Daeun Mun
- g. CA School Senator: Janelle Boamah
- h. HGS School Senator Andrew Taranta
- i. TAS School Senator: Samikshya Pokharel
- j. Senator Ivonne Ovalles
- k. Senator Kristina Hollosi
- l. Senator Patricia Kalaidjian
- m. Senator Shanel Lopez
- n. Senator Madison Weeks
- o. Senator Daniel Rajakumar
- p. Senator Riley Stein
- q. Senator Evelyn Voitsekhovich
- r. Senator Abigail Rojas
- s. Senator Shubhashree Shahi
- t. Senator Prashant Shah
- u. Senator Bibhu Bhatta
- v. Senator Vincent Bollotta

- i. Present:
- ii. Late: Vincent
- iii. Absent: Subhashree Shahi, Andy Annuci, Samikshya Pokharel, Daeun Mun, Abigail Rojas


Mission Statement

The Ramapo College Student Government Association serves as the persistent voice of the student body. While representing the student body and the ideals of Ramapo College of New Jersey, the Student Government Association, through unity in diversity, embraces student leadership in all forms.

Land Acknowledgement

SGA respectfully acknowledges that we are hosting our meeting on the ancestral and traditional Indigenous territory of the Ramapough Lunaape Nation.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- a.  11/28/22 Senate Meeting Agenda
 - i. Moved: Madison
 - ii. Second: Evelyn
 - iii. 12-0-1

III. President's Announcements - Paolo Miyashiro Bedoya

- a. [Faculty Advisement Form](#)
- b. Fill out Course Evals!
- c. Strategic Plan Open Dialogue Sessions
 - i. Join the Strategic Plan Writing Team members for any of our four Open Dialogues in the Padovano Commons to learn more about the Strategic Plan Draft and to share your input. These dialogues provide an opportunity to discuss the role we each play in our future. More information about the Strategic Plan can be found on the Intranet:
<https://web.ramapo.edu/president/spwt>
 - 1. Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2 - 3:30 p.m.
 - 2. Wednesday, Dec. 7, 4 - 5 p.m.
- d. Provost Search Forums
 - i. Tuesday, Dec. 6th
 - 1. All-College Open Forum: 11:00-11:45, Trustees Pavilion 3
 - 2. Student Forum: 3:15-3:45, ASB-135

- e. Reminder: Upcoming Meetings
 - i. **12/7**: Last General Meeting
 - 1. 1 - 2 pm: Meeting; 2 - 3:30 pm: Celebration!!
- f. Save the Dates
 - i. [Upcoming Events](#)
 - ii. Spring Training: Sunday 1/22, 5 - 8 pm, Location TBD
 - 1. Required for all members, including Delegates
 - iii. Basketball Double Header: Athletics wants to host us in the Skybox with Pizza!! Mark your calendars for Wednesday 2/1/2023 at 5 pm!
 - iv. Alice training in Spring!

V. New Business

- a. 2 Club Presentations - Janea
 - i. Movie Club: [Powerpoint](#) & [Constitution](#)
 - ii. Moved: Janelle Second: Ivonne
 - iii. 13-0-0
 - iv. Ping Pong Club: [Powerpoint](#) & [Constitution](#)
 - v. Moved: Kristina Second: Vincent
 - vi. 13-0-0
- b. Interim Senate Presentation and Election
 - i. Liz Mendicino- Freshman; Law & Society and Journalism
 - Disciplinary review board, Delegate, Academic Affairs, Sustainability
 - Established Rave Guardian tabling, 16 people downloaded the app following the tabling
 - Wants to have higher maintenance for the accessible doors, put buttons back on bathroom stalls to open and close the doors, maintenance for gym equipment, pursue better and healthier options in dining halls
 - 14 votes
 - ii. Dean Jigarjian- Senior; International Relations Major
 - Transfer student from Bergen

- Ping Pong Club President, hopes to create dodgeball or floor hockey club
- Very social and active member on campus
- Rebuilding campus lighting with upwards facing cones (better visibility), more on campus bike parking (birch, academic building, etc.)
- 9 votes

iii. Katelynn Haury- Freshman; Environmental Studies Major

- Leader in Service, volunteer experience: farm, big brothers big sister program, honors program
- Sustainability Committee, Delegate
- Partnering with Kristina to do a tabling to help reduce bird deaths on campus
- 5 votes

c. Liaison Reports Continuation

i. Bookstore (Vince Bollotta):

1. Teresa King and I got to know each other and discussed a lot of what the bookstore does and how they market.
 - a. We talked about the ACCESS Program and ways the SGA and Ramapo could bring more attention to it.
2. Discussed ways on how the SGA could bring more attention to any Bookstore sales as their social media accounts can't really do it.
 - a. Social media accounts have to be told 2 weeks in advance and these are usually flash sales.
3. Bookstore is doing a coat drive
 - a. Bring coats to any box marked for the coat-drive and take the quick QR code survey to get 20% off on your next purchase.
 - b. If you're bringing a coat to the bookstore, a 20% coupon will be given.

- ii. Janelle Boamah: (Center for Student Involvement)- Last day of Shuttle is Tuesday 12/20, Therapy Dogs hopefully on 12/12 at 1 pm maybe Friends Hall (the organization is confirming

they have enough dogs to come visit), Last day of food pantry is 12/23

1. School of Contemporary Arts: Student Advisory Board is now looking for students, more internships on campus/ off campus, best ways to let students know when classes are being offered, what programs do students want to see.
- iii. Shanel Lopez: Library Learning Commons- Coffee and Cookies Idea was co sponsored by SGA in the past, alternative event option cosponsored by SGA (Final Snack Ferry), SGA walks around with basket of snacks and hands it out to students in library (one member can wear the school mascot costume), Library cannot extend their hours for finals since public safety would have to be paid overtime and also for other legal reasons, survey will be sent out at the end of the semester to possibly change hours for next semester.
- iv. Riley Stein: Title IX
 1. Climate Survey Postponed till Spring Semester
 - a. Opportunity for labeling
 2. Gearing up for April which is Sexual Assault Awareness Month
 - a. Denim Day: annual fashion show of funky jeans
 - b. bringing in different speakers
 3. Marketing for Title IX: What do you think?
 - a. [Title IX Poster 1](#)
 - b. [Title IX Poster 2](#)
 - c. [Title IX Poster 3](#)
 - d. [Title IX Poster 4](#)
 4. SGA Title IX Workshop:
 - a. building bystander leadership skills and supporting the culture of it
 - b. can be like the Alice Training (not as long)
- v. Ashley Gomez: Dean of Students (Dean Van Der Wall)
 - a. Meal Fund Program (Part of WeCare): Students in need are able to obtain meal vouchers from the Dean of Students office.
 - i. Qualifications: \$0 EFC (based on financial aid), referral from the WeCare

program. If you do not meet such requirements and are in need you are still able to receive the benefits of the program.

b. Meal Fund Program funds are discretionary funds; raised funds. Members of Student Affairs raise funds to give back to students.

c. Meeting concluded early; and we headed to the student open- forum for one of the provost candidates- Jacob Easley.

d. Bill Proposal- [Iran Bill](#)

- Moved: Janelle Second: Riley

- 15-0-1

Bill Proposal - [Senate Bill 2022-11: One Man in Memory of Six Million](#)

- Moved: Prashant Second: Madison

- 12-0-4

e. Newly elected senators sworn in!

f. Last Meeting!

VI. Public Comment

VII. Open Forum

“BMAD will be hosting our annual She Appreciation, a formal banquet event to show our appreciation for the Ramapo community. We are seeking male volunteers to help serve food and decorate as well as asking members of your org to be in attendance. It’s sure to be a great time.

Setup will begin at 5:00. The event is set to begin at 7:00 and end at 10:00 pm.”

- BMAD President Taiyon Ankrah Jones



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SHE APPRECIATION



DECEMBER 9TH 2022

**7-10PM
IN THE PAVILLION**

**COME JOIN BMAD FOR FOOD, FUN, AND
DANCING!**

***PLEASE WEAR FORMAL ATTIRE AND
REGISTER ON ARCHWAY***

**CO-SPONSORED BY: BSU, SOCA, ΨΣΦ, EWSC, ZΦB,
AKA, ACS**



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Kristina Hollosi Last Senate Meeting

Digital Voting System

VIII. Adjournment

Moved: Ivonne Second: Vincent