

01/23/2023 Senate Meeting Minutes

[Monday, 01/23/2023]

Meeting called to order on [01/23/2023] at [8:05 pm] in ASB 524

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 Patricia Kalaidjian
- l. Senator Shanel Lopez
- m. Senator Madison Weeks
- n. Senator Daniel Rajakumar
- o. Senator Riley Stein
- p. Senator Evelyn Voitsekhovich
- q. Senator Abigail Rojas
- r. Senator Shubhashree Shahi
- s. Senator Prashant Shah
- t. Senator Bibhu Bhatta
- u. Senator Liz Mendicino
- v. Senator Dean Jigarjian

- i. Present:
- ii. Late: Bibhu Bhatta, Dean Jigarjian
- iii. Absent: Daeun Mun , Andy Anucci, 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. [12/5/22 Senate Meeting Agenda](#)
 - i. Moved: Ivonne
 - ii. Second: Janelle
 - iii. 13-0-2

III. President's Announcements - Paolo Miyashiro Bedoya

- a. Thank you all for a great training!
 - i. If you didn't attend training, I will reach out about a make-up session
- b. First week of Office Hours, Meetings, & Committees
 - i. [Office Hours sign-ups](#)
 - ii. [Committee sign-ups](#)
- c. Vacancies
 - i. Conduct Justice
 - ii. Procedural Justice
 - iii. Secretary of Sustainability
 - iv. Senator-at-Large
- d. Upcoming Events
 - i. Delegate Tabling
 - ii. Athletics Reception - RSVP on GCal!
- e. Friday April 28th - Spring Concert (ALL HANDS ON DECK)
- f. SGA Reps:
 - i. EDI Council

- ii. Multicultural Center Committee
- g. GlobalMindED First-Generation Mentoring Program:
 - i. A nonprofit organization that is focused on helping First-Generations succeed, and they have teamed up with Ramapo College to help First-Gen Roadrunners learn how to reach their goals. We are inviting YOU to apply to the GlobalMindED First-Generation Mentoring Program where you will be matched with a Professional Mentor who will provide real-world knowledge and direction navigating college as a first-generation student. Click here to apply by Friday, January 27, 2023:
<https://forms.gle/w9BXeQXaxXMjoGW56>.
- h. Food Pantry Hours:
 - i. Monday 1-2 p.m.
 - ii. Tuesday 11 a.m. - noon
 - iii. Wednesday 1-2 p.m.
 - iv. Thursday 1-2 p.m.
 - v. Friday 2-3 p.m.
- i. Professional Clothing Closet: ASB-132, email wecare@ramapo.edu.
- j. Counseling Services Info:
 - i. Please call 201-684-7522 or come to D216.
 - ii. Short-term individual counseling: Students can receive a limited number of sessions with one of our trained counselors. Interested students should call to set up a virtual intake appointment.
 - iii. Drop-In Hours: Offered Mondays – Fridays from 1pm-3pm. Drop-ins are brief, confidential meetings. No appointment is needed and students are seen on a first-come, first-served basis.
 - iv. Emergencies: If you are experiencing a crisis during business hours, call or come to the office to meet with our emergency counselor. After-hours and weekends, call 201-684-7522 and press 2 for immediate assistance.
- k. Feel free to invite your Liaisons to a General Meeting - whether as a presenter or a member of the audience.

V. New Business

- a. Interim Election Bill - [Senate Bill 2023-01: Spring 2023 Interim Senate Election Legislation](#)
 - Moved Madison, Second Ivonne
 - 16-1-0

b. Delegate Program

- Secretary of delegate affairs wants a collaboration with delegates and senators
- Voluntary, not required: Delegates will go to liaison a meeting(s), tablings with senators, attending senate meetings, etc.
- Idea: Delegate committee members required to “mentor” rather than all senate members
- Sign up sheet soon

c. [Aunt Flow](#)

i. 1 in 10 college students in the U.S. experience period poverty or a lack of access to menstrual products when they need them. Aunt Flow works with 900+ SGA around campus including but not limited to Princeton and [Felician University](#).

ii. 3 bathrooms for 30 people with periods (need of 150 pads/ and or tampons across 3 bathrooms to supply 30 people with periods for one year).

- Suggested Locations: Student Center, ASB, Adler Center, Gender Inclusive Bathroom, Residence Hall

iii. 3 types of dispenser, Model P \$300 (Mounted Pad Dispenser), Model E \$300 (Mounted Tampon, Pad Dispenser), and Model R \$450 (Recessed Tampon, Pad Dispenser).

- Prices for refills?

iv. Aunt flow dispensers are rust resistant with a modern, sleek design. It holds up to 5x the product and takes 30 seconds to reload (the window shows when it’s time to refill). Dispensers are designed for the 21st century which means no quarters. Use organic cotton pads and tampons.

d. Senate Liaison Due Dates:

i. 1st Report: February 20th

ii. 2nd Report: March 20th

iii. 3rd Report: April 17th

- We will be following the same procedure as last semester: add your liaison report to the agenda BEFORE the meeting– and don’t forget... you have TWO minutes :)

e. [Senators Files](#)

i. [Co-Sponsorship Info](#)

ii. [Legislation](#)

iii. [Liaison](#)

V. [Senators-To-Do-List](#)

f. AED updates??

VI. Public Comment

VII. Open Forum

- Ivonne: OneStep is trying to bring back recycling on campus, possible co-sponsorship with SGA, recycling committee (?), asking SGA members to be green ambassadors, community service
- Contact Janelle for potential service hours with CPB
- Phi Alpha Delta tabling 1/30 @1-2 in student center, 1/31 @8-9 in student center

Adjournment 9:36

Moved: Madison

Second: Ivonne