10/23/2023 Senate Meeting Minutes

[Monday, 10/23/2023]

Meeting called to order on [10/23/2023] at 7:05 pm in A - 220

I. Roll Call
   a. President Shannon Decicco
   b. Vice President Victor Oluwagbemi
   c. Senate President/SSHS School Senator Madison Weeks
   d. Senate Vice President/TAS School Senator Evelyn Voitsekhovich
   e. Senate Secretary Andrew Taranta
   f. Graduate Senator (N/A)
   g. CA School Senator Desiree S. Bounds
   h. ASB School Senator Nicole Cohen
   i. HGS School Senator Stephen Raymond
   j. Senator Janelle Boamah
   k. Senator Sean Brescia
   l. Senator Aidan D'Oria
   m. Senator Alex Frisch
   n. Senator David George
   o. Senator Katelynn Haury
   p. Senator Jake Hessels
   q. Senator Sara Hosbach
   r. Senator Eileen Jaquez
   s. Senator Mihir Jariwala
   t. Senator Patricia Kalaidjian
   u. Senator Shanel Lopez
   v. Senator Daeun Mun
   w. Senator Amanda Shortt
   x. Senator Andrew Zhang

   i. Present:
   ii. Late:
   iii. Absent:
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. ▶️ 10/16/2023 Senate Meeting Minutes
   i. Moved: Amanda
   ii. Second: Sara
   iii. 12-0-1

III. Senate President's Announcements

a. The next liaison report is due next meeting (10/30)
   i. The last report is due 11/27
b. Please everyone get your community service hours in!
   i. It is a requirement for your
c. If you would like a bill to be presented at a specific senate meeting, please try to share the finished product with leadership by the Saturday night before
d. Please fill out the Senate Missed Meeting Form if you are going to miss a meeting
e. Good Luck with Midterms!

IV. New Business

a. Solidarity with Citizens of Israel and Palestine
   i. Moved: David
   ii. Second: Janelle
   iii. 11-0-5
b. Google Developer Student Club
   i. Club Presentation
   ii. Constitution
   iii. Moved: Steven
iv. Second: Nicole
v. 17-0-0

c. Counseling Services Accessibility
   i. Moved: Sara
   ii. Second: Amanda
   iii. 12-0-4
   iv. Essential information in prominent areas frequented by students includes the office as it is not described or defined specifically in the bill but was agreed to be implied by the definition of “prominent areas”

V. Public Comment
a. 

VI. Open Forum
a. Evelyn - Honors Halloween Dance: 10/25 6-9 in the Pavillion
b. In the past in SGA has anyone thought about Ramapo College Having a 4+3 for law and society Program and a law school? I know this sounds crazy and complex but I was thinking since Ramapo College has a nursing program they should make a law one that would make them more money. A lot of thinking in planning on the Colleges part would have to go into this. Just a thought not a proposal. I think it would be very cool for Ramapo College to have its own law school. It would cost a lot of money and time. This would be a great opportunity and addition to the school and would add another to the 5 already existing. It would add more majors and minors and concentrations. It would be cool if they could also make a law and Society Masters. There would be a total of 6 schools. I was thinking if they did make a school they would call it Padhy School Of Law at Ramapo College Of New Jersey, named after the convener of the Law and Society Program. It could also be called Ramapo College School Of Law. There could be better networking opportunities to connect law school students with law firms to get them their first job. Law school is usually 90 credits, while undergrad is 128 credits or depending on the college, this 7 year program would be made up of 218 credits with a dual degree program. This program would grant students the opportunity to earn their Bachelor Arts Degree and Their Juris Doctor at one college. This program should give students optional choices to submit their LSAT. Any questions?
VII. Adjournment
   a. Time: 9:05
      i. Moved: Steven
      ii. Second: David