11/8/2023 SGA General Meeting Minutes

[Wednesday, 11/8/2023]
Meeting called to order on 11/8/2023 at 1:21 pm on SC 158.
Find the Meeting Agenda here.

I. Roll Call
   a. President Shannon DeCicco
   b. Vice President Victor Oluwagbemi
   c. Secretary Pranish Khanal
   d. Treasurer Riley Stein
   e. Chief of Staff
   f. Secretary of Academic Affairs Bibhu Bhatta
   g. Secretary of Commuter Affairs Alan Rosenberg
   h. Secretary of Delegate Affairs Sophia Kopreski
   i. Secretary of Diversity & Inclusion Madison Case
   a. Secretary of Fraternity and Sorority Life Luis Saenz
   j. Secretary of Governmental Affairs James Pascal
   k. Secretary of Programming Christine Defeo
   l. Secretary of Public Relations Oliver Mejia
   m. Secretary of Residential Affairs Agrim Gupta
   n. Secretary of Sustainability Kristen Senesi excused
   o. Secretary of Service Stefanie Viera
   p. Student Governor Natalie Barr
   q. Chief Justice Liz Mendicino
   r. Conduct Justice Ryan Campos absent
   s. Procedural Justice Lena Mardini
   t. Senate President/ SHHS School Senator Madison Weeks
   u. Senate Vice President/ TAS School Senator Evelyn Voitsekhovich
   v. Senate Secretary
   w. ASB School Senator: Nicole Cohen
   x. CA School Senator: Desiree Bounds
   y. HGS School Senator: Stephen Raymond
z. Senator Janelle Boamah  
aa. Senator Sean Brescia  
bb. Senator Aidan D’Oria  
cc. Senator Alexander Frisch absent  
dd. Senator David George  
ee. Senator Katelynn Haury excused  
ff. Senator Jake Hessels absent  
gg. Senator Sara Hosbach  
hh. Senator Eileen Jaquez  
ii. Senator Mihir Jariwala  
jj. Senator Patricia Kalaidjian excused  
kk. Senator Shanel Lopez  
ll. Senator Daen Mun excused  
mm. Senator Amanda Shortt  
nn. Senator Andrew Zhang absent  
i. Present:  
ii. Late:  
iii. Excused:  
  i.  
  2.  
iv. Absent: Ryan Campos, Jake Hessels

II. Mission Statement (Read by Bibhu)

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.

III. Land Acknowledgement (Read by Bibhu)

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

IV. Approving Meeting Minutes

a. Minutes from 11/1/2023  
i. Moved: by Stephen
ii. Seconded: by Sarah

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V. President's Announcements
a. November is First Generation College Celebration Month and Native American Heritage Month
   i. First Generation Website
   ii. EDIC Website
b. November 5th - 11th is Black Solidarity Week
   i. EDIC Website
c. Upcoming Events
   i. Rededication Ceremony
      1. November 8th 4:30 pm
      2. Friends Hall
         a. In need of people to attend the event
         b. If you are helping with the event then please arrive before the ceremony at 4:00, even if you are helping with the second shift
   ii. Grocery Bingo
      1. November 8th 8:00 pm
      2. Friends Hall
         a. In need of 3 more people
   iii. Bollywood Night
      1. November 9th 7:30 pm
      2. Trustee’s Pavillion
         a. In need of 3 people for clean up
   iv. Kindness Rocks
      1. November 13th 12:00 pm
      2. Grove
         a. In need of 5 more people
d. Come up and support your fellow Roadrunners
   i. November 9th - 11th
      1. Ride the Cyclone
         a. In this hilarious and outlandish story, the lives of six teenagers from a choir are cut short in a freak accident aboard a roller coaster. When they awake in limbo, a mechanical fortune teller invites each to tell a story to win a prize like no other — the chance to return to life. This popular musical is a funny, moving look at what makes a life well-lived.
         b. General Admission $15 RCNJ Students $5
         c. Link for tickets
         d. Link for Performance Schedules
   ii. All Roadrunner students, faculty, staff & Ramapo retirees enter FREE with valid ID! Wear maroon, see you there!
1. Thursday, 11/9 - Bradley Center
   a. Women's Volleyball NJAC Semifinal Match - 7:00pm
      First 150 RCNJ Students with ID enter FREE!
      Tickets for all NJAC Tournament Matches: $10.00 for adults; $5.00 for children, students, and senior citizens.

2. Saturday, 11/11
   a. Donation Day - Bring a non-perishable food item to either game/meet and enter FREE! All donations benefit the RCNJ Food Pantry
      i. Women's Basketball Season Opener vs. Hunter - 1pm
      ii. Women's & Men's Swim vs. TCNJ - Adele and Reuben Thomas Pool - 2pm

   e. General Meeting Line up
      i. 11/15 - Sharon McLaurin 2 - 3 pm
      ii. 11/22 - No General
      iii. 11/29 - President Jebb 2 - 3 pm
      iv. 12/6 - Last General (Party!)

   f. Make sure you are completing your event and community service requirements
      i. Infraction Policy
      ii. Event Requirement Tracking
      iii. Community Service Tracking

   g. We are looking for a Chief-of-Staff. If you know someone who is interested in the position please send them this [link](#) for the application.

   h. Everyone has to join the Double Good Popcorn fundraiser!
      i. Download the Double Good app
      ii. Enter our event code [CMWSQ](#) in the app
      iii. Create your Pop-up Store.
      iv. If you name is listed below make sure you sign up for the fundraiser (right now):

v. The fundraiser opens at 5:00 pm today. Everyone needs to be signed up by the time it opens!

VI. Cabinet Reports
   a. Vice President Victor Oluwagbemi
      i. Club Process - No Meeting Today!
1. Involvement - If you know anyone who is interested in representing a club and want to join the Club Process Committee, please email me either at voluwagb@ramapo.edu or at sgaclubs@ramapo.edu

2. Club Creation - If you or someone you know is interested in starting a club, please email sgaclubs@ramapo.edu

   ii. Cabinet -
      1. Cabinet Reports - Due Nov. 29th … please make sure you get it done on time 😊
      2. Please pay attention to our groupme, our meeting time for cabinet may change next semester

b. Secretary Pranish Khanal
   i. Please do not forget to report your office hours.

c. Treasurer Riley Stein
   i. Senate Total Expenses: $1,051
      1. Amount left: 1,949
   ii. If you have a budget and purchase things through SARM please let me know so I have a record of it.
   iii. If you need a pcard let me know at least one week in advance

d. Chief of Staff
   i.

e. Secretary of Academic Affairs Bibhu Bhatta
   i. Academic Affairs Committee meeting today!

f. Secretary of Commuter Affairs Alan Rosenberg
   i. Commuter Breakfast 8:30 am Nov 9th 2nd Floor of Student Center
   ii. Throwback Snack Day Nov 10th 1pm J Lee
   iii. Commutersgiving Nov 13th 1-2pm in J Lees
   iv. Dessert Day Nov 16th 1-2pm in J Lees

g. Secretary of Delegate Affairs Sophia Kopreski
   i. Next delegate meeting Monday, November 20th (virtually) from 6-7pm. We will be having a representative from the Career Center as a guest speaker. Nothing to report.

h. Secretary of Diversity & Inclusion Madison
   i. Committee meeting tomorrow 6-7pm in the SGA office.

i. Secretary of Fraternity and Sorority Life Luis Seanz
   i. SGA x Greek Life Friendsgiving is scheduled for November 20th in the Pavillion (I understand break starts Tuesday but please try and make an attendance)
ii. The Food Drive for Thanksgiving has started- our drop off point for food is in the SGA office, this will run to 17th. This has also been announced in the Daily Digest for students to drop off in the CSI office.

j. Secretary of Govermental Affairs James Pascal
   i. Currently working on contacting representatives from other college SGAs.

k. Secretary of Programming Christine DeFeo
   i. Bonding Night - Nov 16th 7pm in SC158
      1. Powerpoint night
      2. Food catered from Cars
   ii. Grocery Bingo - tonight in SC219 (Friends Hall)
   iii. Kindness Rocks - Nov 13th 12pm on Grove
      1. Need 5 volunteers
   iv. Sign up for these events here: [Upcoming Events]

l. Secretary of Public Relations Oliver Meija
   i. Will be meeting with my Liaison sometime this week or next to discuss “Meet the SGA” video and finalize a script/outline. Please let me know if you have any suggestions
   ii. Will be working on a “Meet the SGA” story to post on instagram using the headshots you all sent me.

m. Secretary of Residential Affairs Agrim Gupta
   i. Nothing to report

n. Secretary of Sustainability Kristen Senesi
   i. Next Meeting on November 16th from 4-5 in A102!

o. Secretary of Service Stefanie Viera
   i. Remember to submit Volunteer Hours
   ii. Check your progress here: [SGA Fall 2023 Community Service Hours] (email me if there are any questions)
   iii. Volunteer Opportunity:
      1. CPB – Blacklight Roller Skating, November 11, 10:00PM-12:00AM – email Shannon or Victor for more information
   iv. November Campus Cleanup
      1. If you have submitted 0 hours by November 20, you will have to take part in the November Campus Cleanup
      2. However, it is not limited to people with 0 hours– anyone can join in
      3. Dates: Most likely Tuesday (Nov 28) and Thursday (Nov 30)
      4. 2 hours in each shift

p. Student Governor Natalie Barr
   i. DoubleGood Popcorn Fundraiser starts TODAY at 5 pm!!
   ii. If you have not joined the fundraiser, the code is [JCMWSQ]
   iii. Any questions or concerns please message me or Sophia on GroupMe

q. Chief Justice Liz Mendicino
i. Nothing to Report

r. Senate President Madison Weeks
   i. Approved the Light the Night Co-Sponsorship with ISO
      1. 11/17 from 8-11:30pm in the Trustee’s Pavilion
   ii. Senators Sara and Amanda gave many updates on the Solidarity with Israeli and Palestinians Citizens Bill
      1. Dedicating next senate, and possibly next general, as a space to talk about the conflict and what the school needs to do moving forward
   iii. Mini Canvas Tabling at Bollywood Night (Sara, Amanda, and Christine)

VII. New Business
   a. Reports from SGA Members on College-Wide Committees
      i. Calendar Taskforce (Madi and Victor)
         1. Consolidating our Report - Formatting
            a. Because there was a lot of information that was to be brought together that was made by different people
      b. Senate Bill 2023: Bottle Deposit
         i. Moved: Stephen
         ii. Second: Janelle
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VIII. Public Comment
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IX. Open Forum
   a. Shannon - Victor and I are meeting with President Jebb on 11/10. Is there anything you would like us to talk to her about?
      i. This is a monthly meeting between SGA leadership and the president Jebb about how the students are feeling and what they have to say to the president
      ii. Alan: Some Jewish students have mentioned that they feel unsafe on campus because of Antisemitism that is on campus because of the Israel-Palestine conflict.
      iii. Sara: Can we please invite President Jebb to our Senate meeting on Monday?
   b. Liz - Freedom of Speech Fair
      i. The Freedom of Speech Fair will be taking place from 3:30-5:30 pm next Wednesday in the York Room. It will count as an academic event for SSHS (other schools pending) as well as a hosted event. Please come out to support and engage on this important topic.
   c. HGS meets the faculty tomorrow at 4pm in the York Room.
X. Moved to Closed Meeting

XI. Adjournment at
   a. Moved by Janelle
   b. Seconded by David