

# 01/29/2024 Senate Meeting Minutes

[Monday, 01/29/2024]

Meeting called to order on [01/29/2024] at 7:01 pm in ASB - 230

## I. Roll Call

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

- i. Present: 17
- ii. Late: Daeun Mun (Excused)
- iii. Absent: Nicole Cohen (Excused), Andrew Zhang


## 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.  12/04/2023 Senate Meeting Agenda
  - i. Moved: David
  - ii. Second: Alex
  - iii. 13-0-1

## **III. Senate President's Announcements**

- a. Welcome back to the first Senate Meeting of the Spring 2024 semester!
- b. Everyone *please* keep on top of all your requirements this semester
- c. The first general meeting will be held this Wednesday 1 - 3pm in Friend's Hall
  - i. President Jebb is currently scheduled to attend from 2 -3pm
- d. If you have any time conflicts about missing Senate Meetings please fill out the [missed meeting form](#) or contact *Senate Secretary Danielle*
  - i. For General Meetings please contact Secretary Pranish
- a. Our remaining co-sponsorship budget is: \$1,749

## **IV. New Business**

- a. Chemistry Club
  - i. [Club Presentation](#)
    - 1. Questions:
    - 2. Desiree: Is this a Ramapo chemistry club or ACS chemistry club?
      - a. Evelyn: Both. There will be an ACS chapter within the Ramapo chemistry club.
    - 3. Desiree: Will the E-board be encouraged to become part of this chapter?
      - a. Evelyn: Everyone is welcome to join and there can be six additional leadership positions within the club.

4. Mihir: Is there already an ACS chapter on campus?
  - a. Evelyn: It exists, however it is inactive at the moment as six members are needed to pay the \$25 fee. Just the six members allows the club to be part of the ACS chapter.
5. Victor: For the Platinum fund, is that an annual fund or one time check?
  - a. David: Not too many details. Just a way for the professors to pitch in and help support the club as it is getting started. Believed to be a one time donation.
6. Discussion:
7. Victor: Club process meeting - very well put together and have a lot of resources and initiatives already set up. There didn't seem to be a problem with re-starting the club, as they seem to have the foundations to re-start and to have longevity as a club.
8. Mihir: I don't see anything wrong with bringing them back as a club. It can reach out to a wide range of students, even those who are outside of the Chemistry major and TAS school.
9. Desiree: They have a good board of multiple advisors with connections to a lot of
10. Sara: It was a good presentation. Are you allowed to practice as a club before being approved by the club process committee.
  - a. Victor: They went to ChemExpo as members of ACS, not as a Chemistry Club. They represented the ACS chapter within Ramapo, not the Chemistry club.
  - b. Sara: Besides the interest meeting, were they allowed to hold another meeting (not a secondary interest meeting)
    - i. Victor: If it wasn't an interest meeting it wouldn't be allowed.
11. Katelynn: Are the E-Board members currently holding all the ACS positions? Would others be able to join?
  - a. Danielle: It seems as though they are holding those positions, but it is a minimum of six and it appears that other members can also join as a part of the ACS chapter (no maximum?).

12. Madi: They seem very accomplished and the upcoming planned events seem very attainable.
  - ii. Constitution
  - iii. Moved: Stephen
  - iv. Second: Desiree
  - v. Vote: 12-0-2
- b. [Infraction Policy](#)
  - i. Questions:
    1. Sara: What constitutes a social standing violation?
      - a. Liz: If you are working with a department and the department staff reports that you were disrespectful or did not act appropriately. This is a flexible document, so there's a gray area.
      - b. Madi: When you applied to SGA, good social standing was a part of the guidelines. When formal reports are made against you, this is deemed as a social standing violation.
      - c. Liz: If the large portion of the student body is validly reporting/complaining against you, this may qualify as a social standing violation.
    2. Sara: Was the sign up for committees sent out already?
      - a. Victor: It was shared and is in the SGA folder as of training on Sunday.
- c. Liaison Report Due Dates!
  - i. 02/26, 03/25, and 04/15
  - ii. Madi: Email your availability to your liaison and state that you need to meet before the set dates above. This makes things easier and sets you up for your future meetings in advance. If you are having issues meeting with your liaison, communicate. Documentation will be needed. Things will be flexible as long as you are communicating.
- d. Any bill updates?
  - i. Madi: I was notified over break that Narcan has been installed in the Bradley Center AEDs and will be installed in the rest of them. Very exciting news!

**V. Public Comment**

- a. Matt: In the first commuter lot, the same pot hole has popped up (4th time now). Not sure what's going on, asphalt is falling apart. It's annoying
  - i. Madi: Have you communicated with Jack and Allan?
    - 1. Matt: Previous times yes, but not this time.
  - ii. David: We have our next commuter affairs meeting this Thursday from 1-2. Some sidewalks have been repaired and they broke...again.
  - iii. Everyone: There are a lot of potholes.

**VI. Open Forum**

- a. David: There have been a couple complaints about the printing system. Can I get some info about what's going on?
  - i. Alex: Why did they change it?
    - 1. David: Many other colleges use this system. When the website went down with the other system, an outside source had to be contacted when the IT office was open and able to.
  - ii. Eileen: It has been working efficiently, except first floor learning commons.
  - iii. Madi: What is the new printing system?
    - 1. Eileen: You can print from your phone and just go. You upload it, it will go to a release, you pick a printer, you go pick it up.
  - iv. Desiree: There's a queue so you have to wait before you can print.
    - 1. David: If it's a popular printer, there may be a backup.
  - v. Katelynn: You can still do it with your ID like the old system. You don't just swipe like usual. You sign in the first time, then you're able to swipe from then on.
  - vi. Desiree: Where is the link?
    - 1. David: Library website or print.ramapo.edu like how it used to be.
- b. Eileen: Who's the head of the delegate affairs committee?
  - i. Victor: Hopefully interviewed for the leader of the committee will be
- c. Desiree: Were there any other things besides the infraction policy that were supposed to happen at training that didn't happen?
  - i. Victor: Besides housekeeping, no.
- d. Janelle: At some point, I would like to plan an SGA/EOF event to benefit the students. Any ideas? More during the day, not at night. For first gen students, any

students, etc. EOF is looking for more programs, as a lot of their programming hasn't been doing well.

- i. Victor: Are you looking for an activity?
  1. Janelle: A lot of EOF events are social gatherings and panels. We want to gear away from this and find something more interactive that can bring students together during the day. Want to encourage a sense of community. Contact me with ideas!
- ii. Amanda: The First Gen office wants to do something like this so they could collaborate.

**VII. Adjournment**

- a. **Time: 7:54**
  - i. **Moved: Janelle**
  - ii. **Second: David**