

03/13/2024 SGA General Meeting Minutes

[Wednesday, 03/13/2024]

Meeting called to order on 3/13 at 1:04 pm in Friends Hall.

I. Roll Call

- a. President Victor Oluwagbemi
- b. Vice President Oliver Mejia
- c. Secretary Pranish Khanal
- d. Treasurer Riley Stein
- e. Chief of Staff Ekaprana Ramesh
- f. Secretary of Academic Affairs Samantha Schley (late excused)
- g. Secretary of Commuter Affairs Alan Rosenberg
- h. Secretary of Delegate Affairs Sarah Glisson
- i. Secretary of Diversity & Inclusion
- 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 Kaitlyn Kroeber
- m. Secretary of Residential Affairs
- n. Secretary of Sustainability Kristen Senesi
- o. Secretary of Service Stefanie Viera
- p. Chief Justice Liz Mendicino
- q. Conduct Justice Ryan Campos
- r. Procedural Justice Lena Mardini
- s. Senate President/ SSHS School Senator Madison Weeks
- t. Senate Vice President/ TAS School Senator Evelyn Voitsekhovich
- u. Senate Secretary Danielle Rosengrant
- v. ASB School Senator: Nicole Cohen
- w. CA School Senator: Desiree Bounds
- x. HGS School Senator: Stephen Raymond
- y. Senator Janelle Boamah
- z. Senator Aidan D'Oria

- aa. Senator Alexander Frisch
- bb. Senator David George
- cc. Senator Katelynn Haury
- dd. Senator Sara Hosbach
- ee. Senator Eileen Jaquez
- ff. Senator Mihir Jariwala
- gg. Senator Shanel Lopez
- hh. Senator Daeun Mun
- ii. Senator Amanda Shortt
- jj. Senator Matthew Zegla
- kk. Senator Brian Joseph
- ll. Senator Senator Franco Miyashiro
- mm. Senator Juliana Campagna
- nn. Student Trustee Gloria
 - i. Present:
 - ii. Late:
 - iii. Excused:
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - iv. Absent:

II. Mission Statement [Read by Janelle]

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 Janelle]

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 [03/06/2024](#)
 - i. Moved: Alex
 - ii. Seconded: Matt

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V. President's Announcements

- a. Happy Ramadan!
- b. Welcome Kaitlyn! Our new Secretary of PR!
- c. Be Heard. Listen - A public Art Installation of Student Voices
 - i. Dean Keller and Dean Goldstein will curate audio montages to capture the spirit and essence of the responses gathered for each prompt. These montages will be available, through QR Code, at the installation in the Learning Commons for the community to hear and consider—they will be available for listening.
 - ii. Students can submit audio files (MP4 or WAV files preferred) to voice their thoughts on given prompts about world events to encourage challenging your convictions, learning from others, processing the information from various media sources
 - iii. Some material may not be used at all, but all submissions will be archived for accessing in the future
 - iv. More details linked [Here](#)
- d. Relay for Life - Prize Donation
 - i. Thoughts?
 1. Will Donate.
 - a. Record player, Case of Celsius, Taylor Swift Album, Camera, Sunset Lamp
 - b. Will donate case of Celisus, Camera and Sunset Lamp
- e. "It's Not Wrong to Be Skeptical"
 - i. The Presidential Speaker Series will hold the final speaker on Tuesday, March 26 at 1:15pm in H129 and will feature Jack Reed, U.S. Senator and Chairman of the Armed Services Committee.
 - ii. It will be themed around international affairs, public policy and governance, and the critical importance of being engaged and educated citizens
 - iii. Attend if you can!
- f. Roadrunner Table Talk
 - i. 5 alumni are coming to talk about their experiences working in Environmental Education, Policy, and Science on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 6pm in the Pavilion
 - ii. All students are invited to attend and encouraged to register on [Handshake](#).
- g. No meeting next week! Have a great Spring Break!

VI. Cabinet Reports

- a. Vice President Oliver Mejia
 - i. Club Process - 2 club presentations today! One at 3:15 pm, the next at 3:45 pm in A103

1. If you or someone you know is interested in starting a club, please email sgaclubs@ramapo.edu
2. Allocations are available! - fill out [this form](#) if you are interested
- b. Secretary Pranish Khanal
 - i. Just a reminder to email me if you plan on missing General Meetings!
- c. Treasurer Riley Stein
 - i. Nothing to report
- d. Chief of Staff Ekaprana Ramesh
 - i. Cabinet Reports are due 3/27/24!! :)
- e. Secretary of Academic Affairs Samantha Schley
 - i. Academic affairs committee meeting will be held today (3/13) at 3:15 in A220
- f. Secretary of Commuter Affairs Alan Rosenberg
 - i. Commuter Affairs committee meeting Thursday Mar 14 at 1 PM in
- g. Secretary of Delegate Affairs Sarah Glisson
 - i. The next Delegate meeting will be March 28th from 7-8 PM in A100. The Committee will also meet April 4th from 7-8PM in A100 to make up for the missed spring break meeting.
 - ii. I have 1 Delegate signed up for the [Delegate Shadow Program](#) and will have them briefed for after break. Senate please help embrace the Delegates who participate!
 - iii. I am not on campus this week but can be reached via email/GroupMe with any questions.
- h. Secretary of Diversity & Inclusion
 - i.
- b. Secretary of Fraternity and Sorority Life Luis Saenz
 - i. Still working on Greek Week
 1. if you guys have any ideas on sports events please let me know, we are trying to get one for Thursday April 25th
- i. Secretary of Governmental Affairs James Pascal
 - i.
- j. Secretary of Programming Christine DeFeo
 - i. We will be having a table at Relay for Life - tote bag painting
 1. This counts as COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS
 - ii. After spring break (date TBD) we will be holding a “Positive Posts” event in our office
 1. This counts as EVENT REQUIREMENT
 - iii. End of Year Banquet: May 5th 6 pm to 8 pm
 1. YOU MUST RSVP!!!
 - iv. Bonding Night
 1. Volleyball!
 2. Will poll in the GroupMe for what day works best

- k. Secretary of Public Relations Kaitlyn Kroeber
 - i. Nothing to Report
- l. Secretary of Residential Affairs
 - i.
- m. Secretary of Sustainability Kristen Senesi
 - i. Nothing to report
- n. Secretary of Service Stefanie Viera
 - i. Group Volunteer Trip : Spectrum for Living (5K Race Volunteers) 4/20 (Saturday)
 - 1. 10 SGA members
 - 2. Details:
 - a. handing out food and water , help with registration, giveaways, and setting up signage
 - b. Located in Overpeck Park, Ridgefield Park
 - c. Spectrum for Living – serves adults with developmental disabilities, provide quality housing and clinical services
 - d. Transportation provided – if anyone plans on driving themselves, fill out travel release form
 - e. Time of Service: 8:15 AM - 12:30 PM
 - 3. Hard Deadline to Sign Up: March 25
 - 4. Sign Up: <https://forms.gle/JLwDQvU5ZN4A49rv5> (will be sent out again in an email to all SGA members)
- o. Chief Justice Liz Mendicino
 - i. No Report
- p. Senate President Madison Weeks
 - i. We approved a co-sponsorship with Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity for Women’s Herstory Trivia
 - 1. Thursday, March 28th 8:00pm - 11:00pm in the Alumni Lounges
 - 2. Approved marketing, 2 volunteers for setup and clean up, and money for food
 - ii. Followed-up the discussion about the Gross Center Student Representative
 - iii. Liaison reports are due the Monday after spring break!

VII. New Business

- a. Reports from SGA Members on College-Wide Committees
 - i. Comprehensive Academic Plan Implementation Team (Liz): I have my first meeting today, I will have a further update next week. I have meetings with CAP today, April 3rd, and May 8th.
 - ii.

VIII. Public Comment

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IX. Open Forum

- a. Desiree- Alex Modafferri is looking for someone to host Golf-Cart Karaoke tomorrow from 9am-11am. You don't have to drive the cart, just get people singing. If you are interested please email amodafferri@ramapo.edu
- b. Danielle - Service opportunity with Biology Club this week! We will be making friendship bracelets for patients at a local pediatrician's office tomorrow Thursday, March 14th from 1-2 in B-225.
- c. Danielle - Upcoming Women's Herstory Month events:
 - i. Wednesday, March 13th: Women in the Workplace Panel
 1. 6-7:30pm in Alumni Lounges (SC-158)
 2. [Pre-Register on Handshake!](#)
 - ii. Monday, March 25th: The Vagina Monologues
 1. 8-10pm in The Adler Theater
 2. Only 60 seats available!
 - iii. Thursday, March 28th: Women's Herstory Month Trivia Night w/ Phi Alpha Delta (free food!)
 1. 8-11 pm in Alumni Lounges (SC-157-8)
- d. ...★

X. Adjournment