

09/18/2024 SGA General Meeting Agenda

[Wednesday, 09/18/2024]

Meeting called to order on 09/18/24 at 1:05 in person.

I. Roll Call

- a. President - Victor Oluwagbemi
- b. Vice President - Oliver Mejia
- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer - Nicole Cohen
- e. Chief of Staff
- f. Secretary of Academic Affairs - Katelynn Haury (absent)
- g. Secretary of Commuter Affairs - Alan Rosenberg
- h. Secretary of Delegate Affairs - Sarah Glisson (excused)
- i. Secretary of Diversity & Inclusion - Abigail Curioso
- a. Secretary of Fraternity and Sorority Life - Ingrid Guevara
- j. Secretary of Governmental Affairs - James Pascal
- k. Secretary of Programming
- l. Secretary of Public Relations - Kaitlyn Kroeber (excused)
- m. Secretary of Residential Affairs - Melissa Alvarez-Vazquez
- n. Secretary of Sustainability - Kristen Senesi
- o. Secretary of Service - Stefanie Viera
- p. Chief Justice - Liz Mendicino
- q. Conduct Justice
- r. Procedural Justice
- s. Senate President - Mihir Jariwala
- t. Senate Vice President - David George
- u. Senate Secretary - Desiree Bounds (excused)
- v. TAS School Senator - Brian Joseph (late excused)
- w. SSHS School Senator - Amanda Shortt (late excused)
- x. ASB School Senator - Juliana Campagna
- y. CA School Senator
- z. HGS School Senator - Aidan D'Oria

- aa. Senator - Sandy Salazar
- bb. Senator - Shanel Lopez (late excused)
- cc. Senator - Eileen Jaquez (absent)
- dd. Senator - Matthew Zegla
- ee. Senator - Franco Miyashiro
- ff. Senator - Benjamin Bank
- gg. Senator - Ava Cicero-Johnson
- hh. Senator
- ii. Senator
- jj. Senator
- kk. Senator
- ll. Senator
- mm. Senator
 - i. Present:
 - ii. Late:
 - iii. Excused:
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - iv. Absent:

II. 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.

III. Land Acknowledgement

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

IV. Approving Meeting Minutes


- a. Minutes from [09/11/2024](#)
 - i. Moved: Benji
 - ii. Seconded: Matt
 - 1. 8-0-0

V. President's Announcements

- a. Happy Hispanic Heritage Month!
- b. Cahill Invitation to General - Oct 9th
 - i. Come with Questions, comments, concerns, initiatives -> [running document](#)
 - ii. Let them know by the 27th morning
- c. Clarification on 09/11 Flag Planting
 - i. The two events served as **community service - already taken care of**
 - ii. Moving forward, you have to submit your own form - making a copy of this [document](#)
- d. Scholarship Opportunities
 - i. The Ramapo College Foundation has a large pool of scholarships available!
 - ii. The deadline for submitting applications is **October 7th, 2024 at midnight**.
 - iii. First, you have to submit a general application (I suggest having your resume on hand when you do), and then [this link](#) will give you access to all scholarships.
- e. Health and Safety Committee - Needs an SGA Representative
 - i. The Department of Environmental Health & Safety is asking for an SGA rep. to sit on the committee to “voice their opinions and provide a different perspective on how we can keep our campus safe.”
 - ii. They meet monthly on **Wednesdays from 9:30 am - 10:30 am** and their first meeting is Sept. 25th
 - iii. Anyone interested?
 1. James Pascal
 2. Melissa Vazquez
- f. Questions?:
 - i. n/a

VI. Cabinet Reports

- a. Vice President Oliver Mejia
 - i. Club Process -
 1. No meeting!
 2. If you or someone you know is interested in starting a club, please email sgaclubs@ramapo.edu
 3. Allocations are available! - fill out [this form](#) if you are interested
 - ii. [Homecoming/Oktoberfest](#)

1. Homecoming will be from Thursday, October 17th – Sunday, October 20th and includes events from Oktoberfest, Founder’s Day and Family Day.
 2. Every year the SGA participates in Oktoberfest. It is mandatory for all members to volunteer at the events. This year Oktoberfest will be on the weekend of October 19th.
- b. Secretary
 - i.
 - c. Treasurer - Nicole Cohen
 - i. Nothing to Report
 - d. Chief of Staff
 - i.
 - e. Secretary of Academic Affairs - Katelynn Haury
 - i. Nothing to Report
 - f. Secretary of Commuter Affairs - Alan Rosenberg
 - i. Commuter Breakfast Thursday Sept 18th 9:30 - 10:30 AM Outside the Berrie Center
 - g. Secretary of Delegate Affairs - Sarah Glisson
 - i. Nothing to Report
 - h. Secretary of Diversity & Inclusion - Abigail Curioso
 - i. I had my first committee meeting, it was a great turn out. We discussed media ideas and the possibility of a hispanic heritage event.
 - b. Secretary of Fraternity and Sorority Life - Ingrid Guevara
 - i. My first OFSL Committee meeting will be Tuesday, September 24th from 6-7 pm in ASB 332
 - i. Secretary of Governmental Affairs - James Pascal
 - i. Will meet with Pat O’Connor very soon. Please tell me if there is any bill of support you would like to work on!
 - j. Secretary of Programming
 - i.
 - k. Secretary of Public Relations - Kaitlyn Kroeber
 - i. First Programming & PR Committee meeting is Thursday, September 19 from 1-2 pm in B216
 - l. Secretary of Residential Affairs- Melissa Alvarez-Vazquez
 - i. I am still working on getting into contact with my liaison, I have emailed twice with no response. I’m hoping to get a meeting soon and talk about what we can work on for residents.
 - m. Secretary of Sustainability - Kristen Senesi
 - i. My first committee meeting is today from 5-6 in the SGA office!
 - n. Secretary of Service - Stefanie Viera
 - i.  SGA 2024-2025 Community Service Hours
 - ii. Volunteer Opportunities
 1. Saturday, September 28th | 7:40am - 12

- a. Rebuilding Together North Jersey
- iii. If you are interested, email ashapir3@ramapo.edu
- o. Chief Justice - Liz Mendicino
 - i. Please complete your requirements!
- p. Senate President - Mihir Jariwala
 - i. We have approved a co-sponsorship with Health and Counseling Services to for their Glow for Hope Event on Thursday, September 26th, at 7-10 PM
 - 1. We are providing 3-5 volunteers and social media and meeting promotion
 - 2. Volunteer hours are 1 hour shifts from 6-10:45 PM
 - a. Brian
 - b. Melissa
 - c. Alan
- q. Questions?
 - i. n/a

VII. New Business

- a. Reports from SGA Members on College-Wide Committees
 - i. n/a

VIII. Public Comment

- a. Jerry - Applied for Chief of Staff, wondering if it has been updated in any way.
 - i. Victor: Point of Clarification: Keeping the application open for another week, then interviews will begin.
- b. Jack Student Leadership programs
 - i. SAIL -Sophomores Advancing In Leadership; Professional development experience as well as career and internship experience, student leadership skills development. Monthly sessions 2:30-4 on Wednesdays. Applications due **Monday, September 23rd at Noon**. Applications can be found on the SAIL Archway under 'Forms'. Link can also be found here: [Archway Link](#).
 - ii. JUMP - Juniors United Motivational Program; Five sessions throughout the academic year. Applications can be found on the JUMP Archway under 'Forms'. Monthly sessions 2:30-4 on Wednesdays. Applications due **Monday, September 23rd at Noon**. Link can also be found here: [Archway link](#).
 - iii. Project LEAP - Leadership Session Thursday September 26th - Mastering your Leadership. Food will be provided. Leadership personality quiz and discussion.
 - 1. Jerry: Is there anything for Freshmen?
 - 2. Jack: LIS has already started but I recommend getting involved with CCEC.

- c. Marie Attis -
 - i. October: Queer & Trans Visibility Month Open Proclamation
 - ii. Pridefest, October 9th 12-4
 - iii. Disability Awareness Month
 - iv. Domestic Violence Awareness Month
 - 1. Rick: Special Groups?
 - 2. Marie: 5 Discussion Groups facilitated by the Women's Center, link to information [Discussion Group Descriptions](#) .
- d. Cynthia -
 - i. Tomorrow in the Grove from 1-3 is the Part-Time Career Fair, please attend if you are interested!
 - ii. LQ Lounge - 2nd floor lounge of ASB, first is on October 30th from 5-6:30 to help students with learning how to network. Looking for about 20 student leaders to help students learn how to network.
 - 1. Matt, Brian, Alan, Mihir, Abby
- e. Rick -
 - i. Friday is Amanda Riehl's last day, from 9-10:30 there will be a drop-in goodbye breakfast.
 - ii. Elections will be held next Tuesday through Thursday

IX. Open Forum

- a. James- Governor Murphy's Office of Labor Relations & Stakeholder Engagement/ "Outreach" would like to invite you to join them on Thursday, September 26th, 2024 at 4:00 p.m., in conjunction with the New Jersey Department of State (NJDOS), for a [Virtual 1-hour webinar presentation & Q&A](#) geared towards the Youth, with relation to voter registration and civic engagement in New Jersey.
- b. James-Election Day opportunity! Focused in Burlington County
<https://www.insidernj.com/press-release/burlington-county-election-board-seeking-poll-workers-for-2024-general-election/>
- c. Sandy- On Saturday, September 21st the Office of Title IX and Office of Violence Prevention are sponsoring a day-long Hackathon of content-creation and collaboration for Hubbub, a new training application where the students act as the trainers. Hackathon participants will get to: Earn a \$50 gift card and have the opportunity to win prizes. Lunch (Moes!), snacks, and beverages will be provided. The Hackathon runs from 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM on Saturday 9/21/24 in the Alumni Lounges. Students can sign up here: <https://5054504.hs-sites.com/hubbub-content-creation-hackathon-0>
- d. Stefanie – On Tuesday, September 24th from 3-4PM at ASB 135, ALMA is hosting a Scholarship and Hispanic Fellowship information session, which will discuss applying to Ramapo foundation scholarships and giving insight into applying for New Jersey's Governor's Hispanic Fellows program. It is open to everyone!
- e. Brian - In the Loop this week was sent out yesterday, Tuesday. Since it details the events of the week it should ideally be sent out early morning Monday. I'm not sure who is in charge of rolling the emails out but if that could be sorted out that would be great.

- f. Brian - Next Tuesday from 12-1 in D215, Biology Club will be making cards to donate to a local children's hospital. We will be giving 0.25 hrs of community service per card, so if you need service hours, stop by and make some cards!
- g. ★ SGA Star -
 - i. [New form](#)
 - ii. Will be announced monthly on the last general of the month.

X. Adjournment