

11/10/2025 Senate Meeting Minutes

[Monday, 11/10/2025]

Meeting called to order on [11/10/2025] at 7:03 pm in ASB-219

I. Roll Call

- a. President Liz Mendicino
- b. Senate President Mihir Jariwala
- c. Senate Vice President David George
- d. Senate Secretary Julia Kotowski
- e. TAS School Senator Gianna Marchica
- f. CA School Senator Peter Tunnicliffe (excused)
- g. ASB School Senator Ismael Carcamo (virtual)
- h. SSHS School Senator Ava Cicero-Johnson
- i. **HGS School Senator**
- j. Senator Joseph Brubaker (excused)
- k. Senator Michael Chabot
- l. Senator Alessia Mendicino (excused)
- m. Senator Evelyn Santangelo (excused)
- n. Senator Julia Rowan (excused)
- o. Senator Uma Advani
- p. Senator Nova Boehm (excused)
- q. Senator Sebastian Herrera
- r. Senator Michael Marino (late-excused)
- s. Senator James Nieman (excused)
- t. Senator Ayden Reed
- u. Senator Leana Thompson
 - i. Late:
 - ii. Absent:



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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. [Senate Meeting Minutes 11/03/2025](#)
 - i. Moved: Gianna
 - ii. Second: Ayden
 - iii. 10-0-0

III. Senate President's Announcements

- a. Thanks to everyone again for a very successful lighting survey!
- b. **Liaison Reports are due in 2 weeks!**
- c. Senator-At-Large applications are open!
 - i. 2 open positions; let anyone interested know!
 - ii. Deadline is Monday, November 17th
- d. [Upcoming Events:](#)
 - i. Raving About The Overlook: Friday, 11/21, from 7:00 - 9:00 PM (Trustee's Pavilion)
 - ii. Asian Noodle Bubble Tea Night: Friday, 11/14, from 7:00 - 10:00 PM (Trustees Pavilion)
- e. The [Cosponsorship Form](#) is live!
 - i. Please let any clubs or organizations interested in collaborating with SGA know!

IV. New Business

- a. Cosponsorship: Mamma Mia Shadow Cast & Sing Along (Alpha Psi Omega)
 - i. Date: Sunday, November 23rd
 - ii. [Presenter:](#) Lauren
 - iii. Asking for marketing

1. Marketing Requested: Meeting and Social Media
- iv. Questions:
 1. Mihir: Are you cosponsoring with any other organizations?
 - a. We have reached out to a few but have heard no response yet?
 2. Ismael: Is the cosponsorship only for marketing?
 - a. We are still working on the details, right now it might just be marketing.
- v. Discussion:
 1. Liz: To clarify, the event is a shadow cast production of Mamma Mia.
- vi. Proposed: Motion to approve Mamma Mia Shadow Cast & Sing Along (Alpha Psi Omega) for marketing
- vii. Moved: Gianna
- viii. Second: Ayden
- ix. 10-0-0
- b. Cosponsorship: Native American Banquet (Allies of Ramapough Munsee)
 - i. Date: Friday, November 14th, from 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM in Alumni Lounges
 - ii. Presenter: Nate Bergren
 - iii. Asking for \$\$ for food, volunteers, and marketing
 1. Funds Requested: [\\$227.50](#)
 2. Volunteers Requested: 1-2 during event
 3. Marketing Requested: Meeting and Social Media
 - iv. Questions:
 1. Uma: How many people do you expect?
 - a. Between 50-60 people. We had between 40-50 last year and we are hoping to expand it.
 - v. Discussion:
 1. David: Our current budget is \$3,992.
 2. Uma: I think we should give the full amount since this is a smaller club.
 3. Ismael: Do they have any other monetary support?
 - a. Mihir: They are struggling with getting monetary support right now.

- vi. Proposed: Motion to approve Native American Banquet (Allies of Ramapough Munsee) for \$227.50, 1-2 volunteers, and marketing
- vii. Moved: Uma
- viii. Second: Ayden
- ix. 10-0-0
- c. Appointment: HGS School Senator
 - i. Nominee: Tyler O'Connor-Dilello
 - ii. Questions:
 - 1. Uma: What are some ideas that you want to bring to the HGS school?
 - a. Tyler: One goal is to make more people aware of the HGS senator position, and that I will be there to answer any questions and help them?
 - 2. Ayden: What leadership experience do you have?
 - a. Tyler: I was a boy scout and ran an Eagle Scout project, I attended NJ Boys State, I manage a town pool every summer, which involves managing large amounts of employees.
 - 3. Ismael: Can you give more depth about how you would promote the HGS position?
 - a. Tyler: As I learn what I can and cannot do as senator, I will be able to create a plan.
 - 4. Ayden: Why do you think you're a better candidate now than you were when you ran before?
 - a. I think that I have more leadership experience, connections, and more ideas now.
 - iii. Discussion:
 - 1. Uma: I've known him since last year, and I think that he is a good candidate because he has the time to dedicate to the position, and due to his connections he would be a good person to work with HGS students and provide transparency.
 - 2. Ismael: Can you give more details about his previous running for senate?

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- a. Mihir: He did not win last time, but he ran a very good and thorough campaign, and he is very transparent with his goals.
 - b. David: I think that he would be a good candidate based on his goals.
3. Ava: I've known Tyler for a bit, and while he does have a lot to learn about SGA and Senate, he does have the drive and approachability.
- iv. Proposed: Motion to approve Tyler O'Connor Dilello as HGS School Senator
- v. Moved: Gianna
- vi. Second: Ava
- vii. 10-0-0
- d. Appointment: Legislative Justice
 - i. Nominee: Amerie Ramos
 - ii. Questions:
 - iii. Discussion:
 1. Uma: I feel like she is very approachable, and would be good for the position as she can be very understanding while also upholding the rules and requirements of SGA.
 2. Gianna: Every interaction I've had with her has been very positive, and her speech was very thorough and answered all of our questions.
 3. Ayden: She's very approachable and supportive, and has leadership experience through Project Arch.
 4. Liz: When I met her at the involvement fair, she was nervous but she has shown that she is able to step out of her comfort zone. I think that she would be a good fit for the role due to her flexibility and ability to listen, instead of just taking a punitive approach.
 5. Leana: I know her well, and she is always ready to present her ideas and initiatives and push for those goals.
 6. Aiden: In her application, she outlined all of her plans on how she would handle the position. She shows commitment to the SGA.
 7. Ismael: Even though she said that she was nervous, she showed that she was able to get through it.

- iv. Proposed: Motion to approve Amerie Ramos as Legislative Justice
- v. Moved: Uma
- vi. Second: Ava
- vii. 10-0-0
- e. Remaining [Liaison Reports](#)
 - i. **Please write your name, liaison, and summary points from your report below!**
 - ii. Sebastian (Athletics) -
 - 1. Liaison Report with Athletic Department Kate Levin
 - a. November 4th.
 - b. Was given an overview of what Ms. Levin does for the Athletic, the department's framework, and what occurs within the department regarding the student body.
 - c. Discussed S.A.C. Student Athletic Committee, student organization in the Athletic department for varsity athletes to bring up any suggestions or concerns for their respected teams.
 - d. At the moment there are no concerns or questions from the student body regarding the SGA, but in the chance that there is Ms. Levin assured me that she will relay them to me.
 - e. However Ms. Levin mentioned that she has tagged the SGA's instagram account in post from the Athletic's account, and hopes that the SGA will continue to share them as the SGA instagram account is considered a direct line of communication to the student body, these are post/stories concerning athletic events, and important games.
 - i. She also mentioned that the SGA's Instagram should feel free to tag the Athletics account in any post regarding sports and their department.
 - iii. Leana (OVP) -
 - a. Marie Attis is interested in being a part of the sign initiative. She suggested that other than a link to the OVP, we could include some outside resources such as local

crisis centers. I will reach out for a more concise list and forward it as soon as possible.

- b. She mentioned that she felt like SGA's presence at their events this year has been lacking in comparison to previous years. She did note that this might be due to the fact that there wasn't a liaison.
- c. On the topic of presence, the OVP will be hosting "Healthy Masculinity Day" on November 19th from 12-2pm in Friends Hall. I will be attending, but she wanted to ask if anyone else would be interested. She mentioned something along the lines of tabling.

V. Public Comment

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VI. Open Forum

- a. Mihir - [Red Folder](#) is a one-stop shop for assisting students in distress and will help you determine how to respond and help students connect to appropriate campus resources. See Something. Say Something. Do Something.
- b. Uma - Anything for the Center for Health and Counseling Services?
 - i. The next therapy animal visit will be on Tuesday, November 18 from 1 pm to 3 pm in the Wellness Room E-216. Registration will open tomorrow via Archway! :)
 - ii. Continuing the You're Not Alone Series. It will be talking about finals and the UWill platform! Please fill out this form if you are interested in being a part of this! [You're Not Alone Series Pt. 2 UWill](#)
 - iii. There are multiple mental health resources on campus. If you or anyone you know would like to learn more, visit [Counseling Services Website](#), and if you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me :)
- c. Peter – QoTW: "I'm so tired inside / I could sleep through a landslide / But I'm finally here / And I'm not leaving this time" –Vessel
 - i. Analysis: Keep pushing through thick and thin.
 - ii. I am out sick with some kinda virus and it is destroying me. If you've been in contact with me—I'm not sure what the grace period for viral transmission is—but please remember to wash your hands and stay

healthy. This is a reminder to use the health and counseling services that we have at Ramapo; they are pretty useful.

- iii. I am exhausted.
- iv. Anything for CA?
- d. Julia Rowan: Come see Nova and I in Dracula Comedy of Terrors!!!! This Friday and Saturday at 7pm and Sunday at 2pm and next Thursday November 20, 21, and 22nd at 7pm. Student discounted tickets can be purchased at the Berrie Center Box Office!
- e. Ava – Anything for Public Safety or SSHS?
- f. Joe - Sorry i couldn't make it, I got some facilities updates i'll share on wednesday, but if you have anything for facilities let me know!
- g. Gianna- Any comments, questions, concerns, or kudos for TAS?
 - i. Anything for me to report to the Academic Policy Council?
- h. Michael - A few students are working with the company Source Compost to revitalize the composting program, as well as start a compost club, taking food waste from the dining hall and the village. Do we have any general dining services knowledge that would be good to know ahead of time? I would also like to ask about club process.
- i. Ayden - Anything for EOF?

VII. Adjournment

- a. **Time:** 8:08
 - i. **Moved:** Ayden
 - ii. **Second:** Ava