

11/19/2025 SGA General Meeting Agenda

Meeting called to order [Wednesday, 11/19/2025]

I. Roll Call

- a. President - Liz Mendicino
- b. Vice President - James Pascal
- c. Secretary - Melissa Alvarez-Vazquez
- d. Treasurer - Cesar Vivas
- e. Chief of Staff - Benjamin Hartmann
- f. Secretary of Academic Affairs - Katelynn Haury (excused)
- g. Secretary of Commuter Affairs - Matthew Zegla
- h. Secretary of Delegate Affairs - Sophia Kopreski
- i. Secretary of Diversity & Inclusion - Chantalle Reyes (excused)
- j. Secretary of Fraternity and Sorority Life - Samantha Schley
- k. Secretary of Governmental Affairs - Amanda Shortt (excused)
- l. Secretary of Programming - Afrona Tozluku (excused-late)
- m. Secretary of Public Relations - Kaitlyn Kroeber
- n. Secretary of Residential Affairs - Lismary Pascal
- o. Secretary of Sustainability - Kristen Senesi
- p. Secretary of Service - Emily Beck
- q. Chief Justice - Aidan D'Oria
- r. Legislative Justice - Amerie Ramos
- s. Administrative Justice - John Brighthouse
- t. Senate President - Mihir Jariwala
- u. Senate Vice President - David George
- v. Senate Secretary - Julia Kotowski
- w. ASB School Senator - Ismael Carcamo (excused)
- x. CA School Senator - Peter Tunnicliffe (excused)

- y. HGS School Senator - Tyler O'Connor-Dilello
- z. SSHS School Senator - Ava Cicero-Johnson
- aa. TAS School Senator - Gianna Marchica
- bb. Senator-at-Large - Uma Advani (excused-late)
- cc. Senator-at-Large - Joseph Brubaker
- dd. Senator-at-Large - Michael Chabot
- ee. Senator-at-Large - Alessia Mendicino
- ff. Senator-at-Large - Julia Rowan (late)
- gg. Senator-at-Large - Evelyn Santangelo
- hh. Senator-at-Large - Ayden Reed
- ii. Senator-at-Large - Michael Marino (excused)
- jj. Senator-at-Large - Sebastian Herrera
- kk. Senator-at-Large - Leana Thompson (excused)
- ll. Senator-at-Large - James Nieman
- mm. Senator-at-Large - Nova Boehm (excused)
 - i. Present: 30
 - ii. Late: 1
 - iii. Excused: 10
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - iv. Absent: 0


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.  11/12/25 General Meeting Minutes
 - i. Moved: Gianna
 - ii. Seconded: Ava
 - 1. 10-0-5

V. President's Announcements

- a. At our final general meeting on 12/3, we will have a very important guest speaker, Assemblywoman Andrea Katz! She is the ASW that I have interned with and additionally put forward the bill from our SGA to the legislature to get Election Day off at all state public colleges. She will be talking to us about mental health & our work as public servants, please come prepared to listen and ask questions. Please dress in business casual attire!
- b. Tomorrow is the Trans Day of Remembrance Proclamation at 1pm at Alumni! Please attend if you are able!
- c. Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is still ongoing! The CCEC is hosting these fantastic events:

Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week

UPCOMING EVENTS: NOV. 17TH- NOV. 23RD

17 Interactive Tabling Event

1-2 PM Location : Fishbowl

18 RCNJ Farmers Market

12-3PM Location : Alumni Lounges

19 OxFam Hunger Banquet

6-7:30 PM Location: Alumni Lounges

20 Chopped : Microwave Edition

5-6:30 PM Location : Trustees Pavilion Dining Hall

21 Car Safety Repair Demonstration

1-2 PM Location : Grove Lawn

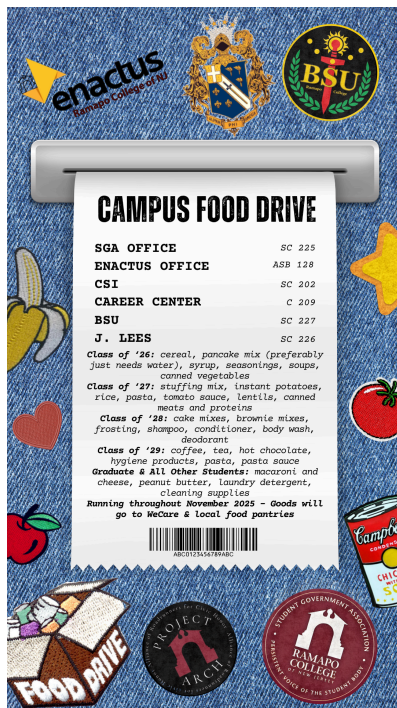
22 Rebuilding Together North Jersey

8-1 PM Location: Off- Campus

23 Ramsey's Farmer's Market

10 AM-12 PM Location: Ramsey Train Station

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- e. Please share the food drive graphic with [this pdf link](#) and donate what you are able!
- f. The SGA E-board has been doing work on updating the SGA website. We will be updating [photos for members](#). Please go onto the [folder of photos from media day](#) (thank you Mihir), get your best headshot and email Liz and I that photo. Please do this ASAP, but before Thanksgiving break!!!

- g. Thank you to everyone who came to Friendsgiving, I am thankful for you all!
- h. Enjoy your Thanksgiving breaks!

VI. Cabinet Reports

- a. Vice President James Pascal
 - i. We have two clubs coming to the Club Process and Allocations committee. One at 4pm for New Club Process and another at 4:30pm for Allocations
 - ii. If you or someone you know is interested in starting a club email sgaclubs@ramapo.edu
 - 1. If you are a club officer and need funds for an event request allocations—terms apply.
- b. Secretary - Melissa Alvarez-Vazquez
 - i. Here is the [office hours](#) link!!
 - ii. If you need to change or make up office hours send me an email: malvare7@ramapo.edu
- c. Treasurer - Cesar Vivas
 - i. Budget Report for Student Government Association as of 11/19/2025
 - 1. Link to Fall 2025 Budget Report:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_d4WgWyCmKBqq7YGVViVUiEVg4mX_4Vtpwthj2c49AAU/edit?tab=t.0
- d. Chief of Staff - Benjamin Hartmann
 - i. Cabinet Reports are due on **December 1st**.
- e. Secretary of Academic Affairs - Katelynn Haury
 - i. Nothing to report
- f. Secretary of Commuter Affairs - Matthew Zegla
 - i. The final Commuter Affairs Committee meeting of the semester will be on Monday, December 1st, from 1-2 PM in room A-101.
 - ii. If anyone is interested in advertising on either the commuter sign or the TV, let me know!
 - iii. Upcoming events:
 - 1. Donut Stress: December 8th from 1-2 pm in J. Lee's
- g. Secretary of Delegate Affairs - Sophia Kopreski

- i. The Delegate Affairs Committee will meet tomorrow from 4-5pm in A226.
- ii. Initiative Reports for Shadowers are due TODAY by 11:59pm. As a reminder, here is the [prompt](#). Please submit them to the Drive folder [here](#). If you are having trouble with that, you may email them to me.
- h. Secretary of Diversity & Inclusion - Chantalle Reyes
 - i. Nothing to report
- a. Secretary of Fraternity and Sorority Life - Samantha Schley
 - i. Here is a link to [Ramapo Greeks Instagram](#) and [RCNJ Panhellenic Council Instagram](#) so you can stay on top of information and get a better look at what it's all about!!
 - ii. **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!** You can now register for spring 2026 recruitment! Here is the link: [Spring 26 Recruitment](#)
 - iii. Upcoming events:
 - 1. Alpha Omicron Pi is having "AOII spike out" on November 23rd from 1:00 to 3:00pm in the Aux gym. There is a \$5 entry and all proceeds go to Arthritis foundation.
 - 2. CPH bracelet making 11/24 in Friends Hall from 1:00-2:00pm
- i. Secretary of Governmental Affairs - Amanda Shortt
 - i. Nothing to report
- j. Secretary of Programming - Afrona Tozluku
 - i. Thank you all for making a great Duck Hunt yesterday, and congratulations to anyone who got a duck!
 - ii. We will be having an Exam Readiness Kit tabling event on Thursday, December 4th, from 1-2 pm. We will have kits for students to grab to help them out with their finals. The event is on the Event Sign-up sheet [📅 25/26 Upcoming Event Sign Ups](#).
 - 1. For this event, I would also love to add in your recommendations to students for having a successful finals week. Please let me know anything you would like others to know before their finals.
 - iii. As a reminder, you need to complete your event requirements by December 3rd. Here is the Event Requirement Sheet. Please email me as soon as possible if you have any trouble completing your requirement. [📅 25/26 SGA Event Requirement Sheet](#)
- k. Secretary of Public Relations - Kaitlyn Kroeber
 - i. The Secretary of Delegate Affairs position is now open! Flyer to be posted in GroupMe

- ii. Will be making SGA Star of the Semester content! (includes Matt, Sophia, Mihir, and November's Star) !!
- I. Secretary of Residential Affairs - Lismary Pascal
 - My meeting with Anna and Steph went amazingly well on Monday. They are now working with me to create a design for mental health resources on campus. Seeing the newly remodeled Web Self Service and how visually appealing the new design looks gave me even more motivation for this initiative. The goal is to make existing resources easier to access and more user-friendly, which can greatly impact how useful they are for students.
 - **Commuter Dorm Participation:**
Steph successfully launched the initiative allowing commuter students to participate in dorm selection. While commuters still have last priority, they can now choose who they want to live with.
 - **Easy Track It (Mailroom Issues):**
When there are delays, many students come to the mailroom frustrated because the company they ordered from says the package was delivered, but it hasn't been checked in yet. Packages are tracked through **Easy Track It**, Ramapo's software system, not the original company. Emails from this system notify students when their package is ready. There are always expected delays during the first two weeks of the semester.
 - **Important Dates & Reminders:**
 - **RA Applications:**
 - Due **December 5th**
 - Two more remote interest meetings left
 - Last two in-person meetings: **December 20th, 3–4 PM**, and **December 1st, 1–2 PM**
 - Students can check Archway for further details
 - **Spring Intent Form:**
 - 31 students have not completed it; failure to submit will result in spring housing revocation
 - Deadline extended to **Friday, November 21st**
 - **Mailroom:**
 - Last day: **December 15th** (student-operated)
 - Final exam mailroom times will be sent during the first week of December
 - **Winter Housing Applications:**
 - Due **December 1, 2025**
 - For students staying on campus **January 5–18, 2026**
 - **Check-Out Extension Form:**
 - For students with exams **after December 16th at 6 PM**, the check-out extension form must be submitted
 - Deadline to submit the form: **December 1st**

m. Secretary of Sustainability - Kristen Senesi

- i. Committee Meeting this Wednesday at 5:30 in LC232

n. Secretary of Service - Emily Beck

- i. You can track your service hours for this semester here: Please get these hours in soon as the end of semester requirement date is coming up quickly!!

 **SGA 2025-2026 Community Service Hours**

- ii. Please support the food drive if you are able!! These donations will be going towards local pantries and the We Care Program on campus!!!

iii. Upcoming service opportunities:

1. Rebuilding Together North Jersey | Sat Nov. 22nd 8am-1pm (one spot left!)
2. Technology Tutoring at the Mahwah Senior Center | Wed Dec. 3rd, 11:45am- 2:15pm

iv. Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week Events

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1. Also posted on the CCEC instagram!

2. Please come out to support at the Oxfam Hunger Banquet tonight from 6-7:30pm! This interactive event is one that is truly eye opening to the global hunger crisis. It is imperative we continue to spread awareness on these topics!

o. Chief Justice - Aidan D'Oria

- i. There are only TWO weeks remaining until requirements are due, and one of those weeks is thanksgiving break. If you are behind on any requirements please work to get them done ASAP.
- ii. For those who have joined late please meet with me after general, I need to talk to you about what your requirements are going to look like.

p. Senate President - Mihir Jariwala

- i. **Liaison Reports are due next week!**
- ii. We approved one club: The Balkan Club!
- iii. Nominees for Senator-At-Large will be coming in on Monday!
- iv. Everything we have discussed can be found in the [minutes](#).

- q. Student Trustee - Sarah Glisson
 - i. Nothing to report

VII. New Business

- a. Reports from SGA Members on College-Wide Committees
 - 1. Nothing to report
- b. This Week on Campus
 - i. Uma - Upcoming CHCS Events! :) - Tuesday at 1 pm - Therapy Animal Visit in the Wellness Room + Tuesday at 4 pm Wellness Room Open House with Aromatherapy hosted by Wellness Is Now Peer Educator Farrah, Wednesday at 1 pm Healthy Masculinity Day with OVP in Friends Hall, Thursday at 2:30 pm Trans Community Care in Friends Hall (self-care event following trans day of Remembrance) + Thursday at 6 pm Ramapo Chopped: Microwave Cooking Contest with the We Care Program in the Padovano Kitchen
 - ii.

VIII. Public Comment

- a. Rick: Jack is not here, he is at the Health
 - i. Congrats Jack and his staff for commuter friendsgiving for hosting and having great turnout.
 - ii. We also had this weekend the ACUI is the Association of College Unions International, and the regional conference is a chance for student leaders to attend programs and network with students and professionals who work in Student Affairs. It was a great turnout. When you get the chance, congratulate Luannee, she has won an award! Thank you to all who were able to attend.
 - iii. Shout out to Dylan he was at The State House and had a testimony about the Hunger and Homeless in New Jersey.

IX. Open Forum

- a. Uma - Anything for the Center for Health and Counseling Services?
 - i. There are multiple mental health resources on campus. If you or anyone you know would like to learn more, visit the [Counseling Services Website](#), and if you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me :)
- b. Peter: Out sick with mono.

- c. David - QoTW: “In the darkest times, hope is something you give yourself. That is the meaning of inner strength.” - Uncle Iroh
 - i. Anything for ITS?
 - 1. James: Has conversation continued about the pages people/offices will get for the new printing system.
 - 2. David: Last meeting he said he was going to talk to OSS but I will follow up with him in our next meeting?
- d. Alessia- Anything for Title IX?
- e. Ava – Public Safety, in partnership with the Center for Student Involvement, is hosting a Winter Vehicle Safety demonstration on Friday, November 21st at 1PM outside the student center. Come out to learn more about car safety and how to better maintain your vehicle ahead of the winter season! A mechanic from Liberty Subaru will be leading a demonstration on simple car repairs and other tips! They are also raffling off a couple of car safety kits, and Subaru is giving away ice scrapers. There will be hot cocoa and light snacks.
 - i. Anything for SSHS or Public Safety?
- f. Joe - Anything for facilities?
- g. Michael - Anything for OSS?
- h. Ayden-Anything for EOF?
- i. ★ SGA Star of the Month! [November Form](#) (Please inform us of any issues with the form)
 - i. November: Uma

X. Adjournment @1:39

- a. Moved: Gianna
- b. Seconded: Ayden