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12/03/2025 SGA General Meeting Agenda

Meeting called to order [Wednesday, 12/03/2025]

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)
- 1. Secretary of Programming Afrona Tozluku
- m. Secretary of Public Relations Kaitlyn Kroeber
- n. Secretary of Residential Affairs Lismary Pascal
- o. Secretary of Sustainability Kristen Senesi (excused)
- p. Secretary of Service Emily Beck
- q. Chief Justice Aidan D'Oria
- r. Legislative Justice Amerie Ramos
- s. Administrative Justice John Brighouse
- t. Senate President Mihir Jariwala
- u. Senate Vice President David George (excused)
- v. Senate Secretary Julia Kotowski
- w. ASB School Senator Ismael Carcamo (excused-late)
- x. CA School Senator Peter Tunnicliffe





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- 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
- cc. Senator-at-Large Joseph Brubaker
- dd. Senator-at-Large Michael Chabot (excused)
- ee. Senator-at-Large Alessia Mendicino
- ff. Senator-at-Large Julia Rowan
- gg. Senator-at-Large Evelyn Santangelo
- hh. Senator-at-Large Ayden Reed
- ii. Senator-at-Large Michael Marino
- jj. Senator-at-Large Sebastian Herrera
- kk. Senator-at-Large Leana Thompson
- ll. Senator-at-Large James Nieman
- mm. Senator-at-Large Nova Boehm
- nn. Senator-at-Large Ahmet Angun
- oo. Senator-at-Large Jalen Lacy
- pp. Senator-at-Large Christian Soberal
 - i. Present:
 - ii. Late:
 - iii. Excused:
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 - 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.



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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 Lunaape Nation.

IV. Approving Meeting Minutes

- a. = 11/19/25 General Meeting Minutes
 - i. Moved:
 - ii. Seconded:
 - 1. 0-0-0

V. President's Announcements

- a. Thank you all for a productive and transcendent semester! We are so appreciative of all of you and your hard work.
- b. Final requirements were due PRIOR TO GENERAL TODAY! If you have not completed your requirements you will be hearing from the Judicial Panel shortly.
- c. Please send the E-board a photo you like from the <u>media day! This is for the SGA website.</u> Please make E-board and Jack's life easier

VI. Cabinet Reports

- a. Vice President James Pascal
 - i.
- b. Secretary Melissa Alvarez-Vazquez
 - i. Thank you everyone for completing and showing up for office hours! Love seeing you all in the office!!!
 - 1. The last day of office hours is Monday December 8th!!
 - ii. Have a fun break and good luck with finals
 - iii. Can't wait to do more in the spring!





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- c. Treasurer Cesar Vivas
 - i. NTR
- d. Chief of Staff Benjamin Hartmann
 - i. Thank you for a great semester Cabinet members and I look forward to continuing the momentum next semester!
- e. Secretary of Academic Affairs Katelynn Haury

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- f. Secretary of Commuter Affairs Matthew Zegla
 - i. Thank you to everyone who came to the final committee meeting back on Monday.
 - ii. Have a fun and safe winter break!
 - 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 final Delegate Affairs committee meeting will be held tomorrow at 4pm in A226.
 - ii. Delegate Shadower slides are due by tonight. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.
- h. Secretary of Diversity & Inclusion Chantalle Reyes
 - Rescheduling of Diversity Peer Orientation but opening the second mentee application opening for next semester.
- a. Secretary of Fraternity and Sorority Life Samantha Schley
 - i. Hope everyone has a happy and healthy winter break! Remember that you can register for recruitment all of winter break and you can always reach out to me if you have any questions!
 - ii. Here is a link to <u>Ramapo Greeks Instagram</u> and <u>RCNJ Panhellenic Council Instagram</u> so you can stay on top of information and get a better look at what it's all about!!
 - iii. **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!** You can now register for spring 2026 recruitment! Here is the link: Spring 26 Recruitment
 - iv. Upcoming events:
 - 1. The NER Expansion of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc. "Stroll 4 a Cause" to fight against Hunger and Food Insecurity on Friday, Dec. 5th 7:00 11:00pm at the Pavillion.
 - \$3 \$5 cash donation or 2 canned food items for entry
- i. Secretary of Governmental Affairs Amanda Shortt
 - i. Working on some things for next semester! Please reach out if you have any ideas:)



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- Secretary of Programming Afrona Tozluku
 - i. We will be having an Exam Readiness Kit tabling event tomorrow, from 1-2 pm. We will have kits for students to grab to help them out with their finals. Come by to support and get a kit
 - ii. I am also in the process of organizing the Snack Fairy, but I do not have the times yet so please keep an eye out for it.
- k. Secretary of Public Relations Kaitlyn Kroeber
 - i. Good luck with finals and have a wonderful winter break everyone!!:)
- Secretary of Residential Affairs Lismary Pascal
 - i. Still currently working on the design with Anne and Steph on the QR code link tree, more of this will be discussed in our next meeting which hasn't been decided just yet.
 - ii. Because of finals, The hours of the Residence Life Mailroom (located in the Lodge) have changed for Wednesday, December 3rd.
 - iii. The mailroom was CLOSED from 12:00pm until 2:00pm. The hours of operation will resume at 2:00pm. and again it is expressed to refrain from coming to the mailroom until you have received an EZ Trackit email from the RL mailroom stating that your package is ready for pick up.
 - iv. Winter Housing is available for students needing to stay on campus from January 5, 2026 through January 18, 2026.
 - v. and Winter Housing Applications were due December 1, 2025.
- m. Secretary of Sustainability Kristen Senesi
 - i. Shoutout to my committee members for always bringing your best to every meeting
 - ii. Good Luck with finals and enjoy your break!
- n. Secretary of Service Emily Beck
 - i. Thank you to everyone who completed their service hours!
 - SGA 2025-2026 Community Service Hours
 - ii. I now would like to take a minute to recognize a few SGA members who went above and beyond their service requirement this semester! These individuals have completed 10 or more service hours throughout the semester! If I say your name please stand and I will come give you your certificate!
 - iii. I hope you all have a wonderful break and happy holidays to everyone!
- o. Chief Justice Aidan D'Oria
 - i. All requirements are due TODAY! If you have any last minute submissions to make please make them ASAP
- Senate President Mihir Jariwala
 - i. We had our last Senate meeting of the Fall semester! 😢





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- ii. We approved two clubs: American Medical Women's Association and Turning Point USA.
- iii. We approved Senate Bill 2025-F-03: Online Resources in Restrooms!
- iv. Went over remaining liaison reports.
- v. Everything we have discussed can be found in the minutes.
- q. Student Trustee Sarah Glisson

VII. New Business

- a. Guest: Assemblywoman Andrea Katz of Legislative District 8
- b. Inauguration of New Senator: Christian Soberal
- c. Reports from SGA Members on College-Wide Committees

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- b. This Week on Campus
 - i. Giving flowers!
 - ii. Reflections on the Semester?
 - iii. Mihir and Joe Senate Bill 2025-F-03: Online Resources in Restrooms
 - 1. As previously mentioned, we have approved the bill above! This would push for online resources of several services and departments on a QR code in restrooms across campus! This bill was passed due to concerns that many students on campus are not aware of the many services that the campus offer to a variety of issues a student, staff, or faculty member may face. If there are any questions, concerns, or further ideas for this initiative, please feel free to reach out to us. In the meantime, please take the time to read over the bill so you can share it with those outside of the SGA!

VIII. Public Comment

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IX. Open Forum

- a. Uma Upcoming CHCS events:)
 - i. 12/3 at 4 pm Calma Con Alma in the Multicultural Center with Wellness Is Now
 - ii. 12/4 at 6 pm Wellness Room Open House with Trivia hosted by Wellness Is Now Peer Educators Lida and Brooke





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- iii. 12/5 at 7 pm Stress: Finding the Balance in the Multicultural Center with WIN Peers Lida, Brooke, and Katelynn
- iv. 12/7 at 7 pm Emotional Regulation Table for Finals with WIN Peers Katelynn and Julia
- v. December is Seasonal Affective Disorder Month. SAD is a form of depression that happens to some people during the fall and winter time linked to the change in weather and daylight. Please remember to prioritize self-care and seek help if you are struggling!:)
- vi. There are so many mental health resources on campus. If you or anyone you know would like to learn more, visit the <u>Counseling Services Website</u>, and if you ever want to talk, always feel free to reach out to me:)
- b. Gianna Any questions, comments, concerns, or kudos for TAS or the Academic Policy Council?
- c. Peter QotW: "This too shall pass."
 - i. The Exponential Ensemble will perform Ramapo students' music on Monday, December 8, 2025,
 @ 2:30 pm in the Adler Theatre, Berrie Center. Please show up to support the Contemporary arts students!
 - ii. Would you like to have your visual art featured on the Visual Arts Society's official Instagram? Here's your chance! VAS wants YOUR ART showcased in our monthly Student Art Spotlight post, which you can submit to here. The deadline for December's edition of this digital showcase is 12/8 at midnight. Questions/concerns? Email: yas@ramapo.edu
 - iii. Any questions, comments, kudos, or concerns for the CA School?
- d. Ava Here are Jason's comments on the issue of lighting on the Bischoff and Mackin trail: "This area is on the college's radar. While I evaluate the feasibility of lighting that area, I would encourage students to use the sidewalks, and walking paths, as they are lit. Please remember that the fire road is not a traditional thoroughfare, and technically exists to provide Fire Department access to parts of the campus property in an emergency."
 - i. Anything for Public Safety or SSHS?
- e. Alessia- Anything for Title IX?
- f. Leana Anything for the OVP?
- g. Ayden-Anything for EOF?



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X. Adjournment