

02/18/2026 SGA General Meeting Agenda

Meeting called to order [Wednesday, 02/18/2026] @1:06pm

I. Roll Call

- a. President - Liz Mendicino
- b. Vice President - James Pascal
- c. Secretary - Melissa Alvarez-Vazquez
- d. Treasurer - Julia Kotowski
- e. Chief of Staff - Benjamin Hartmann
- f. Secretary of Academic Affairs - Katelynn Haury (excused)
- g. Secretary of Commuter Affairs - Matthew Zegla (excused)
- h. Secretary of Delegate Affairs - Evelyn Santangelo (excused)
- 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)
- m. Secretary of Public Relations - Kaitlyn Kroeber (excused)
- n. Secretary of Residential Affairs - Lismary Pascal (excused)
- o. Secretary of Sustainability - Kristen Senesi (excused)
- p. Secretary of Service - Emily Beck
- q. Chief Justice - Aidan D'Oria
- r. Legislative Justice - Amerie Ramos (excused)
- s. Administrative Justice - John Brighthouse (excused)
- t. Senate President - Mihir Jariwala
- u. Senate Vice President - David George
- v. Senate Secretary - Hannah Golden
- 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
- cc. Senator-at-Large - Joseph Brubaker
- dd. Senator-at-Large - Alessia Mendicino
- ee. Senator-at-Large - Ayden Reed
- ff. Senator-at-Large - Michael Marino
- gg. Senator-at-Large - Sebastian Herrera (excused)
- hh. Senator-at-Large - Leana Thompson (excused)
- ii. Senator-at-Large - James Nieman
- jj. Senator-at-Large- Ahmet Angun (excused)
- kk. Senator-at-Large- Christian Soberal
- ll. Senator-at-Large Kristina Kostoski
- mm. Senator-at-Large Brandon Ferrante
- nn. Senator-at-Large Julian Buitrago
- oo. Senator-at-Large Anxhel Larti
 - i. Present: 25
 - ii. Late:
 - iii. Excused: 16
 - 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.  02/11/26 General Meeting Minutes
 - i. Moved: Gianna
 - ii. Seconded: Tyler
 - 1. 12-0-4

V. President's Announcements

- a. Happy Lunar New Year to all who celebrate!
- b. Next General meeting is NOT in Friends Hall!
 - i. 2/25 - ASB 136
- c. SGA Bonding postponed, trying to figure out scheduling!
- d. Be sure to pop out to this month's Black History Programming! BSU, EDIC, and many other wonderful organizations/offices put so much work into these events!!
- e. President Jebb is coming in at 2:30! We will be asking prepared questions that have already been designated. If we end early, you will have the option to take a break or stay in here and talk about initiatives and ideas for the semester.
 - i. **Wednesday, February 25th, 6:30pm. Friends Hall – SC219** *BSU Annual Fashion Show* - The Black Student Union is showing off their flare in Black History Month! Come down and support the BSU's style icons by participating as a model or an audience member.
- f. President Jebb will host the Spring 2026 State of the College Address on February 25 at noon in Friends Hall. All are welcome to attend! Previous addresses can be found on the Office of the President Intranet Site. Location: Friends Hall (SC219) Date: Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2026 Time: 12:00 pm. Please attend if you are able, SGA attendance is crucial!

- g. Regalia orders (cap & gown) can now be placed for in-person pick-up at the Grad Fair on April 16. Deadline: March 13 For Free Shipping to the Bookstore. If you are not attending the GRAD FAIR, you may your order HOME. The deadline is April 17. Please note: All Undergrads must stop by the Bookstore to pick up your Stole. It is not packaged with your Regalia. These are paid for and required for all Commencement events, including Arching. The direct link to order your regalia is <https://oakhallcg.com/pages/ramapo>. If you have any questions, feel free to contact bookstore@ramapo.edu

VI. Cabinet Reports

- a. Vice President James Pascal
- We have club process at 3:45 PM A103, we have two clubs coming in today.
 - If you or someone you know is interested in starting a club, please reach out to sgaclubs@ramapo.edu
 - If you, or someone you know, is a club officer, allocations requests are always open; terms apply
- b. Secretary - Melissa Alvarez-Vazquez
- Here is the link for [office hours!](#)
 - Please answer the last question on the office hours form (hehehe)
 - Any questions please email me: malvare7@ramapo.edu
 - REMINDER: please let me know the day before general (12 hrs) if you are unable to attend! And we have E-Board meeting after general.
- c. Treasurer - Julia Kotowski
- Nothing to Report.
- d. Chief of Staff - Benjamin Hartmann
- Nothing to Report.
- e. Secretary of Academic Affairs - Katelynn Haury
- Nothing to Report.
- f. Secretary of Commuter Affairs - Matthew Zegla
- The next committee meeting will be on Tuesday, February 24th, from 12-1 pm in room A-104.

- ii. Note: The committee meeting on March 10th has been cancelled (I will be at a conference).
- iii. Upcoming commuter events:
 - 1. Commuter Focus Group: February 26th from 1-2 pm in B-225
 - 2. Lunch and Learn: March 9th from 1-2 pm in B-225
 - a. Will be talking about studying abroad (summer/fall opportunities)
- g. Secretary of Delegate Affairs - Evelyn Santangelo
 - i. Next Delegate committee meeting February 24th at 5:30 pm in A221.
 - ii. Also, will be sending out an interest form for the Delegate Shadowing program by the end of week. The form will be due Monday March 2nd.
- 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. Committee meeting times may have to be changed – more information to come. Please look in group me for updates
- i. Secretary of Governmental Affairs - Amanda Shortt
 - i. Nothing to Report.
- j. Secretary of Programming - Afrona Tozluku
 - i. Nothing to Report.
- k. Secretary of Public Relations - Kaitlyn Kroeber
 - i. If you would like to be featured on the SGA Instagram, please fill out this [Interest Form!](#)
Thank you :)
- l. Secretary of Residential Affairs - Lismary Pascal
 - i. Nothing to Report.
- m. Secretary of Sustainability - Kristen Senesi
 - i. Committee meeting today at 5 in LC232
- n. Secretary of Service - Emily Beck
 - i. You can track your service hours here! [SGA Spring 2026 Community Service Hours](#)
 - ii. Service Policy Interest Form: Please sign up if you can, it will be a great help to me and the student body as a whole!! <https://forms.gle/cmW1Yn4GUz4WDzGW7>

- iii. Upcoming Service Opportunities: (Reminder: if the event is run via CCEC you must register on Archway!)
 - 1. Wednesday, Feb 18th, 5pm-6pm | Cards for Kids with the Rotaract Club (A101)
 - 2. Friday, Feb 20th, 1pm- 2:30pm | APO Color a Smile (E103)
 - 3. Thursday, March. 5th, 11:45am-2:15pm | Technology Tutoring at the Mahwah Senior Center
 - 4. Thursday, March 12th, 5:00pm- 8:15pm | Community Pantry of Sleepy Hollow and Tarrytown Food Distribution
 - 5. Wed, April 8th, 11:45am- 2:15pm | Technology Tutoring at the Mahwah Senior Center
 - 6. Wed, April 29th, 11:45am- 2:15pm | Technology Tutoring at the Mahwah Senior Center
- iv. Another avenue of finding service opportunities: If you go on archway → **events** and filter under **event type** to **community service**, it will populate all the upcoming service opportunities throughout a variety of clubs and organizations on campus
- o. Chief Justice - Aidan D’Oria
 - i. I made a mistake last week, all requirements will be due one week earlier on April 22nd
- p. Senate President - Mihir Jariwala
 - i. We appointed two new senators: Julian and Anxhel! 🎉
 - ii. We approved one new club: Serious Monkey Business (Comedy Club)
 - iii. **Liaison Reports are due NEXT WEEK (2/23)!**
 - iv. Everything we have discussed can be found in the [minutes](#).
- q. Student Trustee - Sarah Glisson
 - i. Please complete the [Student Quality of Life Survey](#) conducted by the New Jersey Office of the Secretary of Higher Education (OSHE). This data helps the state + college develop an understanding of student needs that informs intentional responses & resources. This survey closes Feb. 28th
 - ii. Rick: I was actually going to talk about this in my report, this is a week care survey that was put out by the Secretary of Higher Education. All other colleges in New Jersey that have some kind of We Care program and receive grants, do this survey so we can collect the data across the state. Last year we had a great return rate. We had close to 700 -50 students for this survey, which was about 12-13% of the people, which is actually a very good response for me. We're running a little bit less than that now. The final reminder is gonna go out tomorrow, so I would encourage you if you have not taken it, there are literally 18 questions to answer, very, very easy, and the data helps us as we try to use the resources here.

VII. New Business

a. Guest: President Cindy Jebb

- i. President Jebb: I would like to acknowledge an American hero who passed away yesterday, Reverend Jesse Jackson, what I thought I would do is share great words from President Obama, with you all about Jesse Jackson and then maybe we can just take a moment. But first, President Obama said, “For more than 60 years, Reverend Jackson helped lead some of the significant movements for change in human history, from organizing boycotts and sit-ins to registering millions of voters to advocating for freedom and democracy around the world. He was a relentless in his beliefs that we are all children of God, deserving of dignity and respect” When I think of him I can’t really put more emphasis than President Obama did but, Civil Rights now was the presidential candidate twice during the 1980s, it's amazing when you think about that and just a champion for voter rights. So if we could all just take a moment with me
- ii. Moment of silence for Jesse Jackson
- iii. President Jebb: So I got your questions, and those are great questions by the way. I applaud you for thinking broadly and lifting your head yo above the horizon there to see where this is really what's coming the axis of advances
- iv. President Jebb: So I thought I would just talk about it and then just some of your thoughts. Just a reminder to everyone, question 1: What do you see as the vision for Ramapo in the next two years? And how does it comprehensive academic plan ascending boldly a huge infrastructural changes from the company to facilities plan, hope clear the way for this?
- v. President Jebb: So great question, I am thrilled that everyone knows about all the different strategic plans that provide synergy to reach our vision, right. And you know a plan is only as good as the start of it right. So you have to be ready to be agile but you also have to use it. And I am really happy that we have been using the strategic plan that really talks about 3 goals. Its academic excellence in student success, its inclusive community and its agile stewardship.
- vi. President Jebb: But what I will share with you all, because you are asking for the next 2 years' vision, is to reach national distinction as an institution that graduates empathetic, ethical, responsible leaders, change agents and problem solvers.

- vii. President Jebb: So what does that mean and how do we measure that? There are many different ways. There's not one big silver bullet to get us from here to there, it's everyone leaning in together that vision seeing themselves in that vision right. And when I get to different units, when we think about what gets us to that next step, it's those plans in the moment is what is our strategic priorities that are going to get use there. So we have 4, just to give you some examples, we have 4 strategic priorities that help us advance across those goals. One is strategic partnerships and you will see how this will tie to your second question about fiscal health. Let me give an example of strategic partnerships because a lot in terms of the vision is making sure we have great opportunities for students to continue to further their preparation. I was just in a meeting and we say strategic priorities and we say what does that mean in terms of allocating resources towards strategic priorities, that dollars, its time, its people, its energy, all of those things when we think of resources.
- viii. President Jebb: For example, I was in a meeting a couple hours with Scott Fees, some of you might be involved in this, with Scott Fees and a former colleague of mine, booth data scientist, and the vision is how do the work of student help further the work of the Center for Food Action in Mahwah? And when you think about strategic partnering, what is it in it for us? Mainly what is in init for our students? and what is in it for our partner? Because both have to benefit if you're going to have the incentive to partner. And for the Center for Food Action, it is to help drive their capacity to reach members of the community and be very effective in how we do that. And after that meeting I'll let you know we have a ton of internships, now paid, close to 100,000 so that is one example.
- ix. President Jebb: Another example is our partnerships with the Army. We had the Commander of Cadet Command here, spent the whole day at Ramapo, he's in charge of the whole country. And why was he here? Because the Army is short on nurses. He had a great visit and then he had his Chief Nurse come and she had the opportunity to see everything. What does this do? Well it provides opportunities for students to get our ROTC Scholarship, we also have the National Guard in there so there are also opportunities there too. And that also makes the Army know, hey if we keep the ROTC alive at Ramapo, there's opportunities to address a nursing shortage in the Army. So both benefit and it provides opportunities for students. We have a healthcare advisory board that includes CEOs from hospitals to executives with Stryker, Walgreens. It allows us in real time for a "Do tank" not a "think tank". Because we want actions, is the problem solved in

real time, finding where the pin points are, like with clinical placements? For example if you think about nuclear medicine and radiology how do we open up the pipeline at the different points that are required? What does that do? It provides more opportunities for students. And the hospital CEOs are really happy because they have a shortage in those different areas, so strategic partnerships is a priority and this gets to how we get to the vision but providing more opportunities for students, better preparation, being out there more visible is really important. Because at the end of the day it's for the community to see Ramapo as their first choice in partner. This is where they come to, to solve problems.

- x. President Jebb: The second strategic priority is enrollment, that's both in recruiting and retaining. Again, where to place resources? I gave some resources to the Admissions office, we modeled everything out. We modeled it out in terms of how they can invest money to make money. And more revenue means more opportunities, which means being able to do deferred maintenance, it means being able to hire. There is retention, we have increased by 4% on retention because we put a premium on that and making sure that we are allocating resources for student services. So this gives you maybe some examples in terms of how all these things come together and they are not done in silos, so it's at my level there's a mission element team where we talk through the different proposals and to see how it all affects different, how it affects people operation, how it affects student affairs, ect, and how all help one another to be able to address a priority and an outcome that we're looking for.
- xi. President Jebb: You talked about the CAP specifically, Another priority is Talent management, which is recruiting, retaining, developing, and employees and those activities have to hang together. The CAP, the comprehensive academic plan, is all about student development. And right now we are going through a reorganization as some of you may know and a lot of that is to address where we can improve. For example, the comprehensive is about making sure the school's structure is aligned with the adjacent disciplines and there is a balance across professional schools. It's making sure that there's a shared leadership in each of the schools. And there is this notion of a Gen-Ed that there is still a lot of work that needs to be done. But making sure the Gen-Ed truly is a Ramapo distinctive experience and that is what we are shooting for. So again, it gives you some examples of what we are shooting for, national distinction. What does that look like? Well, I would like it to be a distinctive Gen-Ed where it is really cool to go to Ramapo for this particular thing. You can go to Ramapo, you are going to get internships, you are

going to get experiential learning, you are going to Ramapo for opportunities for scholarships, you are going to Ramapo for great placement coming out of school, grad schools.

- xii. President Jebb: In terms of Fiscal piece, I was just on a call with fellow presidents and we're looking at how can we go in with a strategic ask, knowing that the governor, we won't know anything, this is a bit of a crazy system, we do budgets year by year by year, which is hard to be strategic, when you have to worry year by year and it keeps changing. The Governor will share her budget on the 10th of March, which we'll know a ton more than we do now. Pat O'Connor and I go to all the different legislators to include those who are on the higher ed committee to include those that are on the budget appropriations to include those that are right here. To try and restore what we might anticipate, right, of some of the money we're maybe losing, and I think something that I am very proud of Ramapo is that we've been able to advance our mission and get the funding needed. For example, some might have seen E wing renovation and all the good stuff, we had been able to bring legislators back and say, look we turned in investment. We also got the greenlight for a comprehensive campaign meaning we are going to have some, in the next several years, private funds, that will be aligned with our visions, we will be able to get more grants. And creating opportunities for strategic partnering is a great way to share resources and find different ways, even in the midst of these headwinds that you read about and nobody can predict the future. I am a little concerned that the federal government may pull back from some particular states to include New Jersey, the governor is then going to have to make some changes, we will be competing with everyone else. But we are going to keep focused on our mission and we are going to be working hard to help diversify our resources so that we can continue the promise for our students.
- xiii. President Jebb: I think I will want to open it up to you guys to hear your ideas and opinions. I really appreciate the questions, the fact that it's coming from really a strategic advantage point.
- xiv. How can we improve:
1. Mihir: I feel like you know it definitely brings a lot of motivation to the students and I hope to hear you guys feel prepared because, especially in today's world, everything feels so unpredictable. You never know what's going to happen, you never know when the federal or state government is going to make a decision that really changes things like 180. But hearing the plans that you guys have, the strategic partnership, even with everything going on there is some sort of plan going on in a world full of unpredictability.

So I think that it really helps the students calm, especially those who are going to be here for the next few years as well.

2. President Jebb: I'm in the mind of you going down swinging, so we will keep at it. I appreciate that. In fact, you know, the budget, we have the MET, the mission element team where we talk more at the strategic level. And of course, we have the board, and then we have what's called the Cabinet of Agents, and that is pretty much all this, a column of seconds across the different functions across the college, and that's more operational and tactical. Today, we use the time to really go through in a very thoughtful way, making sure everyone understands the budget process and what the priorities are, because this is not just a CFO. Deal, everyone has to be prudent. Everyone has to understand the strategic priorities and understand the allocation of resources. And so it's, again, it's not one thing. It's going after all these things. together, right? And some things are going to work well. And some things are not, and that's okay. You know, as long as, you know, my job, I feel, is to underwrite risk. Um, I'm asking people to take prudent risk, obviously, but, um, when you pilot things, et cetera, you gotta be, you gotta have a threshold for failure. I don't want people to be afraid of trying
3. Liz: I just want to thank you for continuing to, you know, stand with our values, especially as this reorganization is going on and in the face of, you know, federal pressures, it is really incredibly meaningful to be led by someone who is so committed to what we who we are as an institution and additionally what we're about and standing strong in the face of challenges that are, I can imagine, incredibly stressful and we really, really, as students, we really do appreciate the way that you have advocated for us. I appreciate that.
4. President Jebb: I appreciate that. I shared with you all, "you had me at hello" So to me it's a labor of love, and we'll keep at it, but I appreciate all that you're doing.
5. President Jebb: I don't know if we have a date yet for cutting the ribbon for the reopening, I'll call it the spiritual center, but that might also be a nice place. I also wanted to say I appreciate your grace in terms of you know we've tried different thing and it does not always work 100% the way you like, and then it's problem solving and working together. So when you know the questions about how can we strengthen the partnership or what can we do in the midst of changes? I think it's just that communication is really important and getting feedback is really important so that there can be adjustments along

the way. I really appreciated your alls appreciation for the facilities folks, all the snow, you know letting them know that they are appreciated I think goes a long way especially when it comes from students it makes a huge difference.

6. Sam: I just wanted to say thank you for, I had met with one of the new advisors and representatives for the veterans office. He had said that there was just a bunch more push for better communication and really trying to spread more awareness about the office and he told me a lot of problems that I don't think a lot of people knew existed. And he said it was really coming from you, so thank you.
7. President Jebb: I think the more you can provide opportunities and show values, I think that is really important and I think the better off we all are but I do appreciate that.
8. President Jebb: I am not sure if you are on tap about, we have guest next week coming from KUNST in Ghana
9. Liz: Yes, James and I along with our lovely school senators will be meeting with them on Thursday for lunch. We are very excited. And we have the State of College next week.
10. President Jebb: I want to make sure when you have your meetings when will be the timing for a faculty student kind of trip?
11. Liz: Yes, when we got the email we were all very excited about this opportunity.
12. President Jebb: Maybe can I ask, um, so many of you know Bob Heinrich, who's our ACE fellow, um, who's only, it's also, he's graduating with the seniors here. And also Dan White, he's now a special assistant coming in. I don't know if you all want to share anything with the students or?
13. Bob: I really liked your question about the next 2 years, but then I think, for one of the President Jebb, if you don't mind, I've asked something else that's pretty monumental for around, though, over the next few years, the staff were going to be going through our reaccreditation process culminating in the spring of 2028. You know, the site visit for, you know, representatives who are peers at other institutions. And for those of you who are not familiar, the middle state is an accreditation body, you know, made up of institutions, like railroad, for college, from around the mid Atlantic, you know, Northeast Bridge, Virginia, goes down to Puerto Rico. But the way that it works is that any institution that receives, sort of referred to as, you know, federal financial rate dollars or title of work funding, has to be nationally credited by one of the agencies like in real

states. So the process involves every 8 years of completing a reflective self-study, you know, where we really prove that we're meeting, you know, the 7 standards that the middle state has. I know that the committee is really hoping to get some students involved as well. You know, working on those groups, completing a network. But, you know, it's pretty significant, you know, exercise, particularly, you know, like academic year, 27, 28, and we're really finalizing the plan and then getting ready for the site visit where when the team comes in, they're really gonna want to meet the students. So I just thought I would add that because that's something that really impacts that. And thank you for that question for me as well. For those of you who are graduating this year I am glad to be apart of that group because I have really enjoyed my time here. You know it hard to believe that I have been here since August and now it's already February.

14. Dan: I am coming in from another perspective, coming in as a Freshman, I can tell you what attracted me to Ramapo is the sense of their vision going forward, you know there are other places out there that have similar problem as us and I've been around to know. But I think that we do in this environment we are really well positioned and this is like the age of the liberal arts colleges, we've actually had this discussion about how all the disruption thats going on its i think things are looking good for us.
15. this is age of liberal arts colleges and I
16. Liz: We've had some really great conversations on middle states as well. Joe Connell's come to see us about it and unfortunately, their meetings are typically during our general meetings. So we weren't exactly able to ascend, but we're very fortunate to be caught up in that, and hopefully that partnership will continue, especially through 27, 28. I mean, most of us will be gone by that point. But that's another partnership that we're very excited to have. That and the CAP have really, both of those teams have been very communicative with us. We've been very fortunate to be able to disperse that information to students and have those conversations ourselves. good.
17. Mihir: Question for Bob Team Stocken or Team Ramapo now? What's the verdict?
18. President Jebb: Look at the lapel
19. Bob: I have definitely been Team Ramapo!

b. Reports from SGA Members on College-Wide Committees

1. Uma - I recently joined BCHEAP the Bergen County Higher Education Addiction Prevention Consortium task force, which brings together students, faculty, and staff to develop and implement campus and county-wide strategies for mental health promotion and substance misuse prevention based on recent needs assessment findings. If anyone has any questions, concerns or ideas about potential mental wellness and substance misuse prevention initiatives please don't be afraid to reach out!
2. Gianna - The following Academic Policies are under review by the Academic Policy Council:
 - a. Integrity of Degree Programs
 - b. Retaking Courses and Grade Replacement
 - i. The policy revisions can be found here: [Academic Policy Revisions](#)
 - ii. Public feedback can be submitted to the APC by **Sunday February 22, 2026** here: [APC Feedback](#)
 - iii. Mihir: Can you elaborate on the Academic Policy Revisions if you are able
 - iv. Gianna: To be honest I have not been able to make it to most of the meetings due to a time scheduling conflict, but I know most of their minutes are made public on their website, I am sorry I am unable to give a lot of information at this time.

- b. This Week on Campus
 - i. Nothing to Report

VIII. Public Comment

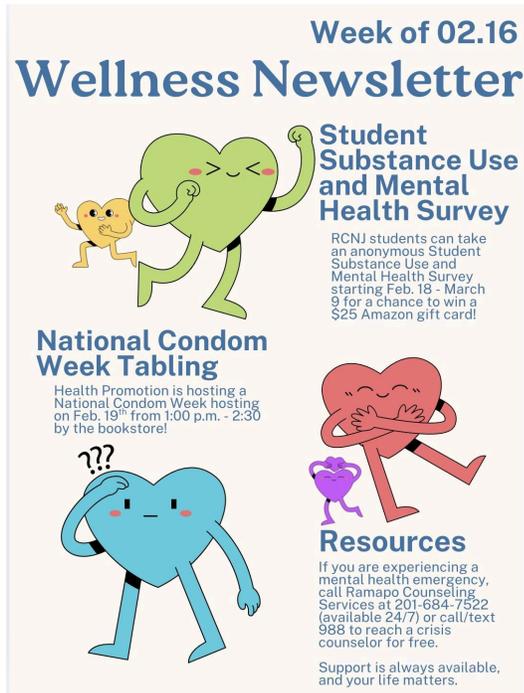
- a. Jack: Good Afternoon everyone
 - i. SUN Program: Senior self care in multicultural-center 1-2pm, fun place to come relax, talk about or not future plans. There will be snacks, come by have a fun time talking to other students and have a relaxing time.
 - ii. Student Leadership Awards are open! March 2nd is the deadline, there will be tabling tomorrow, I will be tabling next week as well, and the day of the deadline. And you do have to have a staff reference, and they can be an adjunct professor as well, and definitely let your reference know

that you will be putting them down, just kinda give them a heads up whether that be in-person or via email. I highly encourage all of you in SGA to apply for this award, as well as you are able to recommend someone.

- iii. Thank you Liz and James for sending me all the headshots, I will be updating it as soon as possible. I will also be adding the minutes for both the Senate and General Once I get them.
- b. Rick: I did not see Jack over there but I was also going to talk about the Student Leadership Award as well, please if you have not yet applied please do so.
- c. Cynthia: Annual Career Fair March 4th 11:30am - 2:30pm. So if you are looking for an internship or your full time opportunity or grad school there will be some schools there as well. The week before that there is a career fair prep week, so there will be different events that are going to be happening in C209, so if you want some pointers or just have some questions please feel free to come into the Center. If you have any questions on that you know everything is on Handshake, so please go ahead and register so that we know that you will be coming. We are getting, in the Career Center to have Popcame cameras, they are headshots, so on March 3rd and March 5th it will be in the center and on March 4th it will be at the Career Fair as well. If there are any questions at all please feel free to stop by the center.

IX. Open Forum

- a. Uma - If you are experiencing a mental health emergency, call the Counseling Services main line at 201-684-7522 and follow the prompt for immediate assistance, 24/7/365. Another option available nationwide is texting or calling “988” to be linked with a counselor if you have thoughts of suicide, a mental health or substance use crisis, or any other kind of emotional stress. 988 and Ramapo's emergency counseling are free! [Counseling Services Website](#). Always feel free to reach out to me, your life matters:)



- i.
 - ii. If anyone is interested in participating in the You're Not Alone social media series ,please fill out this form! Our next video will highlight the services that our health and counseling services offer as well as the services that 988 offers. Any help is greatly appreciated:) [CHCS You're Not Alone Sign Up! :\)](#)
- b. Ava - Important announcements from Public Safety!
- i. There will be a scheduled lockdown drill this semester on March 30, 2026 to help the community practice emergency response procedures.
 - ii. The College continues to make Active Shooter/Active Assailant training (Run-Hide-Fight) [training](#) available to all students and employees. If you are interested in this emergency response training, please complete [this form](#). In addition, please take the time to watch the [Active Shooter Scenario Training Videos](#) that are available on the College's Intranet.
 - iii. Familiarize yourself with Ramapo College's [emergency preparedness resources](#) including our evacuation, shelter-in-place, and lockdown procedures.
 - iv. Please ensure your emergency contact information is up to date
 - v. **Blue Light Emergency Phones:** Located throughout campus, these [43 phones](#) provide immediate, direct access to Public Safety with the push of a button.
 - vi. **Buddy Walk / Safety Escort Services:** Available upon request through Public Safety for anyone who would like assistance walking on campus, especially during evening hours.
 - vii. **Local Law Enforcement Presence on Campus:** Ramapo College partners with the Mahwah Police Department (MPD) to secure our campus. It is not uncommon to observe MPD officers patrolling the campus, participating in programs, or responding to calls for service. Should you observe an MPD officer on campus and wish to learn more about what may have prompted their

visit, you may inquire with Public Safety at 201-684-6666. Do not interfere with law enforcement efforts.

- viii. As a public institution, federal agents are permitted on our campus. If you are approached by federal agents on campus, please contact Public Safety immediately (C-Wing, Room 102; 201-684-6666) or use the free [Rave Guardian App](#). Public Safety serves as the College's point of contact with federal immigration authorities to determine their purpose on campus, verify their credentials, and ensure proper paperwork is in order. Please do not attempt to interfere with law enforcement efforts, rather call Public Safety. For additional information please review this list of [Frequently Asked Questions](#).
- ix. I have yet to meet with my liaisons; I am waiting for them to get back to me. Anything for Public Safety or SSHA?
- c. Christian - Had my first liaison meeting last week! It went very well and they are extremely receptive to some initiatives I am working on. Here's some updates from Admissions:
 - i. Ramapo is on track to hit 10,000 applications, the highest in the college's history
 - ii. Transfer and Graduate goals have yet to be given to the office.
 - iii. Admissions would love to have SGA presence at the big events this semester, these all count for service hours that they are happy to certify. There's also free food!
 - 1. Sunday March 29th - Admitted Students Day
 - 2. Sunday April 19th - Admitted Students Day
 - 3. Sunday April 26th - Spring Open House
 - iv. In addition, if you volunteer at one of these events in the fall, Admissions will grant you priority registration for classes in addition to the service hours.
 - v. We have a new Masters of Public Policy being offered next Fall! This is open to any interested majors.
 - vi. Lastly, Admissions has asked for SGA members to shadow campus tours and give feedback on the information given to prospective students. In addition, they would love to video some members for spotlight videos that will be posted to instagram.
 - vii. If you are interested or would like any more information on the stuff above, please feel free to let me know!
 - viii. Anything for admissions?
 - 1. Emily: Do you know how it will work for someone who want to shadow
 - 2. Christian: I think you just let them or let me know if you are interested.
 - 3. James: Is there any form for people wanting to be a part of the shadowing or videos so that students can put their name down?
 - 4. Christian: There is not but if anyone is interested please let me know and I can get you into contact with Admissions.
- d. Peter - QotW: "For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others." — Nelson Mandela
 - i. Upcoming events:

1. What the Constitution Means to Me, by Heidi Schreck, directed by Terra Vandergaw at the Adler Theater March 5 – 7, 10 – 11 at 8 p.m. and March 8 at 2 p.m. RCNJ Students \$5, General Admission \$15 [Buy Tickets](#)
2. Nine, based on the book by Arthur Kopit, directed by Lester Mayers at the Sharp Theater April 10 – 11, 16 – 18 at 8 p.m. and April 12 at 2 p.m. RCNJ Students \$5, General Admission \$15 [Buy Tickets](#)
- ii. Anything for the Contemporary Arts School?
 1. Christian: The choir will be performing at Carnegie Hall over spring break, we will be a part of the National Works Choir and we are doing the entire Mozart Spite in full, Students get a discounted ticket.
- e. Alessia- Anything for Title IX?
- f. Matthew: Hello everyone! I would greatly appreciate it if you could fill out this [survey](#) for my marketing class. It will take about 5-10 minutes to complete. Thanks!
- g. Joe - Anything for facilities?
 - i. Uma: Yesterday the shower head came off and I cannot reach it and it keeps coming off and I have put in work order but nobody has come yet.
 - ii. Joe: Let me know after general the work order number and your dorm number.
 - iii. Melissa: I wanted to let you know that over the weekend my toilet stopped flushing like there was no water in the toilet bowl, this happened around Friday afternoon/evening and we had called our RA about this issue and we were told that our order was considered as an emergency. But nobody had come to fix it until Monday. I just thought we had emergency facilities that would be on campus or on call. I just wanted to put it on your radar.
 - iv. Joe: I will talk to Nicole in terms of the emergency response, but I know sometimes if things happen where the people from facilities are not on campus I know things then to get fixed either after a day or whenever facilities are available. But I can bring this up in my next meeting.
 - v. Cynthia: They do not have any on call facilities?
 - vi. Joe: I am not sure but based on what was said I guess there is not.
 - vii. Melissa: I assumed we had one due to our RA telling us something along the lines of having emergency facilities and I know when I was secretary of residential affairs I thought they had also or we had talked about the fact that we had emergency facilities.
 - viii. James: I think there is a light out by the pathway walking up the library.
 - ix. Mihir: I remember Friday the whole pathway had no lights
 - x. Joe: Sometimes when it is late at night since facilities leave early they might not see these lighting issues but if it is still an issue place a work order and also let me know as well I can bring it up in my meetings.
 - xi. Christian: Want to give kudos to Joe I feel like you always get a list of things
- h. David - Anything for ITS?
 - i. Uma: My friends have been saying that their Canvas has been glitching
 - ii. Christian: Sometimes in H wing the Ramapo Secure does not always work or connect

- iii. David: I would definitely put an IT word order split the next time so they are aware of the situation.
- iv. Liz: Ava had told me that the employee dashboard was not working a for a bit.
- v. Ava: It does work now.
- vi. Alessia: Kudos to ITS for helping me with setting up a Microsoft account for my excel sheet. They helped me very fast.
- i. Brandon: Anything for dining services?
- j. ★ SGA Star of the Month! [February Form](#) (Please inform us of any issues with the form)

X. Adjournment @3:00pm

- a. Moved: Ava
- b. Seconded: Tyler