

# 04/15/2026 SGA General Meeting Agenda

Meeting called to order [Wednesday, 04/15/2026]

## **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
- 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
- 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 (excused)
- q. Chief Justice - Aidan D'Oria
- r. Legislative Justice - Amerie Ramos (late-excused)
- s. Administrative Justice - John Brighthouse (excused)
- t. Senate President - Mihir Jariwala
- u. Senate Vice President - David George (excused)
- 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 (excused)
- aa. TAS School Senator - Gianna Marchica
- bb. Senator-at-Large - Joseph Brubaker (excused)
- cc. Senator-at-Large - Alessia Mendicino
- dd. Senator-at-Large - Ayden Reed
- ee. Senator-at-Large - Michael Marino
- ff. Senator-at-Large - Sebastian Herrera
- gg. Senator-at-Large - Leana Thompson
- hh. Senator-at-Large - James Nieman
- ii. Senator-at-Large- Ahmet Angun
- jj. Senator-at-Large- Christian Soberal
- kk. Senator-at-Large Kristina Kostoski (excused)
- ll. Senator-at-Large Brandon Ferrante
- mm. Senator-at-Large Julian Buitrago
- nn. Senator-at-Large Anxhel Larti
  - 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. [04/08/26 General Meeting Minutes](#)
  - i. Moved:
  - ii. Seconded:
    1. 0-0-0

#### **V. President's Announcements**

- a. This Friday at 1pm is the State of the Student Address! Please come to hear important review and updates from myself, BSU Co-President Desiree S. Bounds, and Student Trustee Sarah Glisson!
- b. After State of the Student at 4 is the Constitutional Convention! This is MANDATORY unless you provide me with an excuse!
- c. [Please register for our Relay for Life Team!!!](#) It does cost \$25 but there will be food and you will receive a t-shirt, all money fundraised goes to a phenomenal cause and allows for one of the best events on campus!
- d. Congratulations to everyone who presented at Scholar's Day!
- e. Next Monday from 1-2 in Trustees is the next Presidential Speaker Series installment! Featuring: Jen Easterly, Former United States Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency Hack the Future: Cybersecurity in the Age of AI: Explore how emerging tech shapes national security—and our daily lives—with one of America's top cyber defenders.
- f. Seniors: remember to register for Arching! The due date is May 2nd.
- g. Please complete SGA Star of the Year prior to April 22nd and submit to my mailbox in the office. Please consider an individual who has been an mvp throughout the year, as we want to celebrate their efforts! We would like to have nominations from every member of the SGA, you all have time but please try to complete sooner rather than later! you can find the forms around office!

## VI. Cabinet Reports

- a. Vice President James Pascal
  - i. Last club process meeting today at 3:45 PM, we will be ending at 5pm since some clubs have been close to the committee for a long time.
    1. No more allocations and club process
  - ii. Club awards, it's on our archway page. If you or someone you know is interested in applying please do encourage them to.
  - iii. Club Budget presentations!
- b. Secretary - Melissa Alvarez-Vazquez
  - i. Here are the links for [office hours](#) and [missed office hours](#)
  - ii. Any questions please email me: [malvare7@ramapo.edu](mailto:malvare7@ramapo.edu)
  - iii. **Reminders:**
    1. Turn on fans when in the office, it will be nice and hot out this week, but please do not forget to turn them off when closing up the office.
    2. Also please when closing the office for the night do not forget to lock the side door, I have noticed it is not locked at times.
- c. Treasurer - Julia Kotowski
  - i. Nothing to report.
- d. Chief of Staff - Benjamin Hartmann
  - i. LAST Cabinet Meeting will be this coming Tuesday, April 21st, at 4-5pm.
- e. Secretary of Academic Affairs - Katelynn Haury
  - i.
- f. Secretary of Commuter Affairs - Matthew Zegla
  - i. The LAST committee meeting of the year will be on Tuesday, April 21st, from 12-1 pm in room A-104. Chipotle will be served (and a lot of it, so come one come all!)
- g. Secretary of Delegate Affairs - Evelyn Santangelo
  - i. Nothing to report
- h. Secretary of Diversity & Inclusion - Chantalle Reyes
  - i. Nothing to Report
- a. Secretary of Fraternity and Sorority Life - Samantha Schley

- i. Happy Greek Week everyone!!! I hope you all are having a fun week and enjoy the fun activities planned
- ii. Events:
  1. Greek week games Thursday, 4/16 from 1:00-2:00 at Laurel Courts
  2. Alpha Phi Omega is crocheting baby blankets Friday, 4/17 in A220
  3. Narcan Training for greek week Friday, 4/17 from 12:00-1:30 in Alumni Lounges
  4. Greek Gala (not just for greek life) Friday, 4/17 from 7:00-10:00pm in H wing Auditorium
  5. Theta Phi Alpha is having Unite to Fight Saturday, 4/18 from 2:00-4:00pm at the baseball field
  6. Theta Phi Alpha is having Pie a Theta Phi Wednesday, 4/22 from 11:00-2:00 in C wing underpass
- i. Secretary of Governmental Affairs - Amanda Shortt
  - i. Thank you to everyone who came on the trip yesterday :)
- j. Secretary of Programming - Afrona Tozluku
  - i. End of the Year Banquet is coming up! It will be Sunday, May 3rd, from 6-8 pm in the Pavilion. You all should have received an email about RSVPing for the event. Here is the link to RSVP. <https://forms.gle/jmAy9pPfl4uPTwEc8> (do it NOW if you haven't already).
    1. Also, please fill out the superlatives form <https://forms.gle/JiKW6nPOBiEkNmFS9>. Fill it out for one or all members, anything helps!
  - ii. Club and Organization Award Nominations are open! If you are part of a club or have friends who are interested in nominating your club for one of the awards, please fill out the form on the archway <https://cmlink.me/2fF/s60702> . It closes TONIGHT!
  - iii. Duck Hunt is next week on Thursday, the 23rd, from 8 am-4 pm. Similar to last year. 18 ducks are hidden in public locations on campus, with one grand prize (the ramahog). The hunt starts at 8 am, but SGA members are not allowed to start looking until 11 am. Also, SGA members cannot find the ramahog.
    1. One new thing is we will have a mini game in the office for any students who stop by. Students can guess the number of chocolates in a bag; the closest to the answer wins. So please be aware and friendly to anyone stopping by and let them know they can enter.
  - iv. Earth Day Fair table sign ups are up on the [📅 25/26 Upcoming Event Sign Ups](#)

- k. Secretary of Public Relations - Kaitlyn Kroeber
  - i. Nothing to Report
- l. Secretary of Residential Affairs - Lismary Pascal
  - i. Relay for Life is hosted by ResLife in partnership with the American Cancer Society as a fundraiser to support cancer research, patient housing, and prevention efforts nationwide. It will take place on Friday, April 24 from 6 PM to 6 AM. The event includes participation from over 15 clubs and organizations, ongoing activities and games, food from local restaurants throughout the night, a live band at registration, and multiple prize giveaways including electronics. There will also be special ceremonies including the Luminaria Ceremony, Survivor Ceremony, and Take Back Ceremony. The fundraising goal for the event is \$15,000.
  - ii. The deadline for summer housing applications is Tuesday, April 15, 2026. Students must be enrolled for the Fall 2026 semester and may qualify if they are taking summer classes, working as a student employee, completing an internship, are international students, or are housing insecure (with approval required). Applications are available through Residence Life website, and questions can be directed to [reslife@ramapo.edu](mailto:reslife@ramapo.edu).
  - iii. The Sunday Funday BBQ will be held on Sunday, April 19 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM in the Mackin Bischoff Courtyard, with a rain location in the Overlook First Floor Lounge. The event will include free food, prizes, music, and opportunities to connect with incoming students and the campus community.
  - iv. The mental health QR code Linktree has been created and is currently in progress for distribution planning before first-year students arrive in the fall. The current focus is on creating flyers first and then later turning them into laminated QR code stickers to be placed in dorms for easy student access to campus resources and support services.
  - v.
- m. Secretary of Sustainability - Kristen Senesi
  - i. Earth Fair is next Tuesday the 21st from 1-3PM in the Grove!!!
    - 1. There will be prizes, a lot of tables full of information and activities, and the Ramsey Farmers Market!
    - 2. Sunrise will have the popular DIY Terrariums again!
- n. Secretary of Service - Emily Beck
  - i. You can track your service hours here! [📄 SGA Spring 2026 Community Service Hours](#)
  - ii. I've added more blank copies of service sheets in my mailbox :)
  - iii. Upcoming Service Opportunities
    - 1. Saturday, April 25th, 8:00am-3:00pm | Building Together North Jersey

2. Wed, April 29th, 11:45am- 2:15pm | Technology Tutoring at the Mahwah Senior Center
  3. Sunday, May 3rd, 1:45pm-4:45pm | MEVO Sunday Afternoon Volunteer Farm Experience
- o. Chief Justice - Aidan D'Oria
    - i. One week until requirements are due!
  - p. Senate President - Mihir Jariwala
    - i. Liaison Reports are due in 2 weeks!
    - ii. We did some workshops as senate regarding Senate feedback and initiatives.
    - iii. Everything we have discussed can be found in the [minutes](#).
  - q. Student Trustee - Sarah Glisson
    - i. State of the Student will be this Friday, 4/17 from 1-2:30pm in SC-156! Come out and hear me, President Liz and BSU Co-President Desiree address the Ramapo community and reflect on the year and what is facing college students at a state and national level!

## VII. New Business

### a. *Alternate Student Trustee Candidate Presentations*

### b. Reports from SGA Members on College-Wide Committees

#### 1. Matthew - Comprehensive Facilities Planning Committee:

##### a. Linden Hall:

- i. Renovation is well underway, expected to be completed by Fall 2027.

Department move-in will occur shortly after construction is completed.

##### b. New Adler Center Anatomy Lab:

- i. Renovation is well underway, expected to be completed by this July. Will be ready for fall semester classes.

##### c. New Overlook Bridge:

- i. The design for the new bridge has been finalized. Construction will take place between May-November of this year. Foot traffic will be diverted during the construction. The bridge should be open by Spring 2027.

##### d. Main Parking Lot Repaving:

- i. Will commence May 15th and will take most of the summer to complete. Parking will be disrupted during this time. People can park in either the D-lot, the Mackin/Bischoff lot, or the CPA lot.
- e. Miscellaneous:
  - i. The Village ADA ramp/adjacent staircase will be redone over the summer.
  - ii. Facilities is getting new office trailers. They have been purchased and are awaiting to be installed.
  - iii. 511 Ramapo Valley Road (the house the College recently purchased) will soon be demolished after some asbestos remediation work is completed.
  - iv. Expect to see some new campus signage in the coming months/year (directional signs, building signs, etc)
  - v. On Thursday, April 23rd at 1:15 pm there will be an official reopening ceremony for the renovated spiritual center. Refreshments will be served. Please advertise this to your friends as Facilities would like as many students present for the ceremony as possible!
- f. Please let me know if you have any questions for me or the committee!
  - i. Christian: CantaNOVA will also be singing at the Spiritual Center reopening!
- b. This Week on Campus
  - i. Thoughts on the Trenton Statehouse trip?

### VIII. Public Comment

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### IX. Open Forum

- a. Christian - This Sunday is our next admitted students day! I hope to see many of you there!
  - i. For those who volunteer on Sunday, please fill out [this form](#) afterwards! Admissions loves feedback and we want to hear how we can make these events even better.
  - ii. Kudos to the E-board for their swift action regarding an issue I had, and to James and Tyler who came out to see me and Peter at the Spring Fling last night
  - iii. Anything for admissions?

- b. Ayden- Anything for EOF, Learning Commons, Academic Policy Council?
- c. Alessia- Anything for Title IX?
- d. Brandon- Anything for Dining Services?
- e. ★ SGA Star of the Month! [April Form](#) (Please inform us of any issues with the form)

**X. Adjournment**