

10/5/2026 Senate Meeting Agenda

[Monday, 10/5/2026]

Meeting called to order on [10/5/2026] at XX:XX pm in ASB420

I. Roll Call

- a. President Ben Hartmann (excused)
- b. Senate President Gianna Marchica
- c. Senate Vice President Peter Tunncliffe
- d. Senate Secretary Isabella LaGuardia
- e. SNH School Senator Gianna Marchica
- f. AHE School Senator Peter Tunncliffe
- g. ASB School Senator Samantha De Vine
- h. SSSW School Senator
- i. Undergraduate and Honors School Senator Leana Thompson (late)
- j. Senator Julian Buitrago (excused)
- k. Senator Kyra Cooke
- l. Senator Brandon Ferrante (late)
- m. Senator Kristina Kostoski
- n. Senator Anxhel Larti
- o. Senator Christian Soberal
- p. Senator Harold Rodriguez
- q. Senator Michael Marino
- r. Senator Giana Hernandez
- s. Senator Maddie Bellott
- t. Senator Austry Almonte
- u. Senator John Sequeira
- v. Senator Naylanee Reyes
- w. Senator Samuel Giraldo
- x. Senator Amanda Lugo

i. Late:

ii. Absent:

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 9/28/26
 - i. Questions/Discussion:
 - ii. Moved:
 - iii. Second:
 - iv. 0-0-0

III. Senate President's Announcements

- a. I hope everyone is having a great Monday!
- b. Welcome New Senators!!! We are very excited to work with you all and to have an amazing year together!
- c. If you have to miss any meetings please fill out the Missed Meeting Form that will be published soon!

IV. New Business

- a. Remaining Liaison Reports
 - i. **Please write your name, liaison, and summary points from your report below!**
 - ii. Leana Thompson: Undergrad & Honors:
 - iii. Dean Unger is now in charge of a new school on campus, honors and undergrad.
 - iv. Introduction of the “interdisciplinary studies” major.

- v. New gen ed program coming in Fall 2027.
- b. Choose your Liaison
 - i. [Liaison Sheet](#)
- c. Transfer Affairs Bill: [Senate Bill 2026-F-02](#)
 - i. Questions/Discussion:
 - ii. Moved:
 - iii. Second:
 - iv. 0-0-0
- d. Co-sponsorship – Overlook: Moonlight Masquerade
 - i. Presenter: Emelda Philip
 - ii. Presentation: [Moonlight Masquerade – Prizes](#)
 - iii. Questions/Discussion:
 - iv. Moved:
 - v. Second:
 - vi. 0-0-0
- e. Co-sponsorship – Disney Club: Halloween Bash
 - i. Presenter: Nico Gambardella
 - ii. Presentation: [Halloween Bash](#)
 - iii. Questions/Discussion:
 - iv. Moved:
 - v. Second:
 - vi. 0-0-0
- f. Co-sponsorship – SOCA: Hallowhine
 - i. Presenter: Brianna Pierre
 - ii. Presentation: [Hallowhine](#)
 - iii. Questions/Discussion:
 - iv. Moved:
 - v. Second:
 - vi. 0-0-0
- g. MINI TRAINING:
 - i.  2026-2027 SGA Roster

V. Public Comment

- a.

VI. Open Forum

- a. Gianna - [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. Peter - QotW: “I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.”
–Maya Angelou
 - i. OPEN HOUSE: 10/25/2026 – 10am-1pm
 - 1. PLEASE send students my way if they are interested in helping out; the first 30 minutes are integral to student engagement! Talk to your friends and
 - ii. Remember to put your liaison reports in the drive!
 - 1. SGA Official Drive → Senator files → Liaisons → Fall 2026
 - iii. [Senate Missed Meeting Form](#)
 - iv. Any questions, comments, kudos, or concerns for AHE?
- c. Julian - Any comments/concerns/kudos for athletics please put into this spread sheet. Thank you! [26-27 Athletics Comments/Concerns/Kudos Form](#)
- d. Christian - PrideFest is THIS WEDNESDAY 12-3 IN THE GROVE! We have a volunteer sheet in the GroupMe you can sign up for that fulfills an event requirement! Even if you’re not volunteering, please come out, it is extremely important to have SGA presence at these events.
 - i. Kudos to Allie, Peter, and Uma for coming to the Proclamation last week!
 - ii. Anything for the Women’s Center?
- e. Harold - Question about the tutoring center, there are a few students that have been complaining about how there is no Financial Accounting tutoring. They talk about how there’s tutoring for all the other maths and sciences except for this class which is essential for all Accounting majors.
 - i. Slight update as of 7:18pm - I spoke with the dean of ASB, Ed Petkus at the Board of Trustees meeting and he said that he will look into how he can get tutors for that specific class.
 - ii. I still ask that ASB school Senator Samantha De Vine to mention it during their meeting with Dean Petkus.
- f. Sam - October 14th Ramapo is hosting a college Career and Internship fair. I think we should consider moving back SGA general that day to around 2pm,

therefore students who want to use the resources/opportunities given to us don't have to choose between both.

- g. Sam & Harold - Holiday tree (name still in work) idea sponsored by SGA, we would make sure to be inclusive to all religions and beliefs while making an event to strengthen our community. We would consider starting this in the first week of December and making a “goals and ambitions” event where students can hang ornaments with paper notes describing their goals for next year/semester at Ramapo. This would aim to give a small moment of reflection during finals week for students. Overall providing us with a more inclusive environment and a hardworking student body.
- h. Kristina - October 15th at 1:00 in Friends Hall: Doing Life with a Disability: A Ramapo Student Panel. Pizza will be served., October 29th from 10:00 - 3:00 PM at Berrie Center Lounge: OSS Arts Expo. Light refreshments will be served. Anything for OSS?
- i. Anxhel - Any questions, comments, kudos, or concerns for the Center for Student Success?
- j. Brandon - Anything for Pub. Safe
- k. Michael Marino - Liaison Report (Center for Student Wellness)
 - i. **Previous Events**
 - ii. **Mission Statement-** The Center for Student Wellness strives to empower students to make healthy lifestyle choices that promote overall health and psychological well-being. Services focus on prevention, education, therapeutic interventions, and supportive communities. Through empathetic and inclusive care, we assist students in fulfilling their academic, professional, and personal goals.
 - 1. Out of the Darkness walk that occurred at the end of Suicide Prevention Month
 - 2. On the 14th was the first therapy visit with 60-75 people visit
 - 3. Thursday the 24th was Glow for hope with over 80 students that was organized and ran by the office along with others such as APO and the office of Violence Prevention
 - 4. For now they don't need help
 - 5. Tabling even on social media to collab would be important
 - iii. **Current Initiatives**



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1. Work with the Bergen County's Buster box initiative that removes barriers to Narcan access for students at Ramapo and residents of Bergen County
 2. Received a grant on being tobacco free campus- offer smoking sensation programs to help people quit and get closer to a smoke free campus
 3. Possibility have a vape takeback program
 4. Trans day of community care partnered through womens center in november
- l. Ben - We need to register a car for Trunk or Treat. Last year we were the Ramadogs so we NEED to come up with something to compete. I'll bring it up at general but wanted to gauge input of our wonderful Senate.
- a. **Time: XX:XX**
- i. **Moved:**
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