



Ithaca College Student Governance Council
Senate Meeting Agenda
Monday, 08/24, 2020 7:00 pm – Zoom, online

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
 - A. Here
 - 1. Connor Shea
 - 2. Yetunde Smalls
 - 3. Abby Murtha
 - 4. Soumyaa Joshi
 - 5. Joe Pullman
 - 6. Carleigh Strange
 - 7. Antara Sen
 - 8. Armani Sampet
 - 9. Grace Madeya
 - 10. Kalena Yearwood
 - 11. Austin Ruffino
 - 12. Daeonte Guy
 - 13. Sebastian Chavez - Left early
 - 14. Mary Holland-Bavis
 - 15. Lila Weiser
 - 16. Leticia Guibunda
 - B. Absent
 - 1. Maxwell Powers
 - 2. Shevori Gene
 - 3. Connor Watson
 - 4. Jasmine Morrow
 - 5. Kendall Riley

- C. Came after Roll Call:
 - 1. Calvin Carmichael — Left early excused
 - 2. Allie DeVita

D. Visitor Alex Renzoni

E. Potential Confirmations:

- 1. Carlos Abreu
- 2. Logan Chaput

III. Approval of Minutes

A. [6/15](#)

- 1. Antara Motion
- 2. Carleigh Second
- 3. Approved

B. [7/20](#)

- 1. Lila Motion
- 2. Armani
- 3. Approved

IV. New Business

A. Confirmations (Pending approval)

- 1. Logan Chaput- Class of 2022 Senator
- 2. Carlos Abreu- Class of 2022 Senator
- 3. Motion to confirm Carlos Abreu as class of 2022 Senator - Armani
- 4. Second to confirm Carlos Abreu as class of 2022 Senator - Carleigh
 - a) Affirmed - 9
 - b) Opposed - 0
 - c) Abstained - 0
 - d) Carlos Abreu is confirmed as the class of 2022 Senator!

5. Side notes:

- a) Open Positions: 1x Class of 2021 1x Class of 2022 2x Class of 2024 1x School of Business 1x School of Communications 1x School of HSHP 1x Transfer 1x Varsity Athlete 1x Club Athlete 1x Off-Campus 1x Graduate Senator
- b) Students can be a part of committees without being a formal senator
- c) Both Candidates qualify to join the H&S committee should they wish to join

- (1) made of 11 students, each with different majors. So, anyone who isn't a Physics (my major) or Psychology (Soumyaa's major) student is welcome to join!
- (2) Membership requirements are also outlined in Article IV Section 3 of the Constitution

Problem with quorum warrants a 5 minute break

There is nothing in the constitution around emergency voting

There is nothing in the constitution around rounding up or down for voting

- B. Rent College Pads Recommendation
 1. Bill templates
- C. SGC Website Presentation (Austin)
 1. Run down of the SGC Website
 2. There is no way to give access until it is live
 3. Looking for feedback
 4. Super easy to use and will promote transparency and accountability
 5. Will be ready to publish
 - a) Connect with Joe sooner than later, because people want to know about funding
 6. Will publish after today's meeting here:
<https://www.ithaca.edu/student-governance-council>
- V. Continuing Business
- VI. Officer Reports
 - A. President
 1. [End of Summer Check-in](#)
 - a) Please fill this out
 - b) How are we doing
 - c) They should be anonymous
 - (1) If not, let Connor know
 2. Fall Semester Schedule
 - a) First fall meeting Sept 14
 - b) E-Board will update meetings that fall on Jewish holidays
 3. Meet the Senate! Instagram Stories
 - a) 1 minute/2 minutes??
 - (1) All senate record a 1-2 min video introducing yourself
 - (2) Platform
 - (3) Send Connor a video to place on Instagram
 - (a) sgcpresident@ithaca.edu
 - b) Name, pronouns, year/major, position, and what you're focusing on this year regarding SGC

4. Sending out an SGC quiz for a buddy system
 - a) Light hearted and fun
 5. IC Democrats and IC Republicans meeting
 - a) Kicking off for general election
 - b) Bi-Partisan initiative to get college students to get out to vote
 - c) If you would like to be in the meetings, message connor in slack
 - d) We are looking for collaborators
 - (1) Events, making assets, etc
 - (2) Reach out to Connor if interested
 6. Senators think about your office hours if you want them
 7. E-Board look for times for office hours
- B. Vice President of Campus Affairs
1. Looking for an assistant
 2. Committee to be a part of education committees
 - a) Student Employees
 - b) SASP
 - c) Athletics
 - d) Accessibility
 - e) Dining Interns
 - f) Student Org Reps
 - g) RHA Rep
 - h) Eco- Rep
 3. Outreach individual to help rebrand SGC
 - a) SGC PR person :)
 4. Meeting with faculty council in September to talk about accountability around being less white centered
 5. If you can, please register to vote
 6. Work towards how to assist club and how they can stay alive
 - a) First years need help knowing how to get involved
- C. Vice President of Academic Affairs
1. Meeting
 - a) ICTA BIPOC
 - (1) See Soumyaa's [notes](#) and [responses](#)
 2. Meeting with Susan Delany
 - a) Student steering committee to get a handle on the ICC
 - b) First meeting on Sept 2nd from 10 AM EST - 11 AM EST
 3. Meeting with Dr. Copenhaver Johnson
 - a) CCR Committee

b) Go over college requirements. Need students on CCR

c) Assistant application went live today

(1) Please apply

D. Vice President of Business and Finance

1. Meeting with Patti for official jobs

E. Vice President of Communications

1. Absent

F. Senate Chair

1. Looking for possible policies/letter campaigns from the Senate to be brought to the NYS Student Governments Coalition (not required, but an option if anyone feels strongly about anything).

a) Any initiatives or campaign ideas that can be brought to the table would be great

2. Dr. Acosta is leaving, reaching out to replacement

a) Nancy Pringle

3. Talking with SLT to demand more transparency to make sure your voice is being heard

4. Please check slack

5. Please look at the bills that were supposed to be presented tonight

6. Change to being completely virtual

a) Message Abby if you would like to chat about it

(1) sgcsenatechair@ithaca.edu

G. Chief of Staff

1. Since we won't be on campus this semester, please let me know if you have any digital copies of prominent SGC historical moments

2. Please let me know if you have anything of importance to note on an SGC academic calendar. Click to view: [Internal](#) and [External](#)

a) Thoughts? Things to Add?

H. Student Trustee

1. No updates on the position

2. Have been in contact to add more to curriculum from Ithaca to promote change on campus

I. Residence Hall Association

1. Absent

J. Student Liaison to the Alumni Board

1. Absent

VII. Open Agenda

A. Campus Climate Discussion

1. The decision to have a remote fall semester

- a) Students are upset with the lack of transparency
- b) Take the opportunity to get a live interview with Shirley Collado
- c) 36 page guide on how campus would run
- d) Faculty were not asked for return dates
- e) The President owes its constituents real and honest answers
- f) Contact Calvin if you want to get involved
 - (1) 978-493-9509
- g) A handful of representative to make sure this is student focused and available for all groups of students
- h) *Deontae*
 - (1) Messaging with President Collado
 - (2) Said she would handle everything at All-Student Gathering
 - (3) Wasn't willing for an informal Q&A with real and transparent answers
 - (4) How can we challenge the normal and what is the usual procedure in a respectful way
- i) *Grace*
 - (1) Students are upset for neglect of student employee communities who were noted to come back Aug 28th-29th
 - (2) Students never got responses to any emails
 - (3) Mental health for students - seems to be no plan
 - (a) Seems very complicated and not able to accommodate all students
- j) *Antara*
 - (1) Students are sad and upset
 - (2) We need to come at this request that does not necessarily blame SLT
 - (3) Was there a contingency plan?
 - (a) Why didn't SLT tell us what could happen
 - (4) Student employees
 - (a) Keeping tuition the same is neglectful of low income students
 - (5) "I asked a question about CAPS stuff for international students/students in diff time zones which they didn't address "
- k) *Soumyaa*

- (1) Student employments
- (2) Should there be more info on Cornell

l) Kalena

- (1) How can we be ahead of all of these changes?

m) Connor

- (1) Collado tried to defend her colleagues
- (2) Communication is not working
- (3) In tandem with whatever they are doing
 - (a) Live social media session
 - (b) Archived and easily shareable info
- (4) The idea of going back to campus doesn't stop here just because we are remote
- (5) How can SGC call them more accountable

n) Abby

- (1) We can't drop everything to go to their meetings if important questions are not being address
- (2) Blind tagging students is a great way to keep answers anonymous but have students still know we are answering their question
- (3) SGC was not welcomed into the process enough
- (4) Mental health was not mentioned a long haul process moving forward
 - (a) But CAPS is taking appointments online
- (5) Maybe have a committee for some students to talk to CAPS as an Action Group

o) Yetunde

- (1) Now that we recognize the mode for videography is desired, meeting with SLT members one on one perhaps have the sessions be recorded
- (2) C-Span for SGC what platform can we archive this info
- (3) How can we talk with people in the employment office, HR, etc to think about phasing back to campus and other important issues

p) Leticia

- (1) International students were given information that did not pertain to them and now they have to struggle to make any concrete plans

(2) Returning from international countries is a big financial decision not handled with compassion

q) *Connor*

(1) *ACTION STEP*

(a) "Tomorrow, I will redraft the email to SLT and other campus admin to ask them to interview on social media."

r) *Armani*

(1) Not providing mental health services in international countries unless it is an emergency due to licensing

2. IC Votes

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3. Textbook website

a) www.lthaca.textbookx.com

(1) No Comments

4. [ICTA_BIPOC](#)

a) A letter to address racial injustice in the Theatre Arts school

b) A formal letter to ithaca [here](#)

c) Give it a read

(1) Very important and can be brought to other schools

d) Soumyaa

(1) SLT is emailing acknowledging it

(a) May not explain how demands are met

VIII. Adjournment

A. Motion to Adjourn - Armani 10:11 PM

B. Seconded - Carleigh

C. Opposed - 0