



Ithaca College Student Governance Council
Senate Meeting Agenda
Monday, 10/12, 2020 at 7:00 pm EST – Zoom, online
Meeting Link:

<https://ithaca.zoom.us/j/94341249780?pwd=WEtHK0llaWZmTWtmTnhPUlVqRmlGUT09>

(7:00p) **Call to Order**

(7:01p) **Roll Call**

1. Connor Shea
2. Yetunde Smalls
3. Soumyaa Joshi
4. Abby Murtha
5. Grace Madeya
6. Deontae Guy
7. Alexandria DeVita
8. Jasmine Morrow
9. Liza Dhameeth
10. Esther Moor
11. Connor Watson
12. Aubren Villasenor
13. Leticia Giubunda
14. Grace Cannon
15. Armani Sampat
16. Lila Weiser
17. Max Powers
18. Austin Ruffino
19. Carlos Abrau
20. Carleigh Strange
21. Sebastian Chavez
22. Mary Holland-Bavis

23. Syd Pierre

Absent

1. Kalena Yearwood
2. Kendall Riley
3. Calvin Carmichael

Guests

1. James Zampetti
2. Sara Ostermeier

(7:10p) Approval of Minutes

1. 10/5
 - a. Lila Motion to approve minutes
 - b. Max seconds
 - i. In Favor: 12
 - ii. Opposed: 0
 - iii. Abstentions: 0

(7:15p) New Business

1. 2021-0008: Travel Registration Fees (15 mins)
 - a. Summary
 - i. SGC used to not fund registration fees for conferences
 - ii. Change this to help organizations attend conferences that may have actually moved virtually
 - iii. Student orgs would like to see this amended
 - b. Question
 - i. Connor Shea - Do you think in the future this will be looked at as an amendment, currently only a resolution
 1. Should be up to the appropriations committee and VP of next year
 - ii. Connor W.: Is there a reason why the org name was not fully spelled out
 1. No, just as seen through communications
 - c. Discussion
 - i. Lila would like to make the friendly amendment to change the acronym
 1. Ithaca College Physical Therapy Students of Color
 - ii. Lila friendly amendment, grammatical fixes
 - d. Voting Procedures

- i. Aubren motions to move into voting procedures
- ii. Liza seconds
 - 1. In Favor: 12
 - 2. Opposed: 0
 - 3. Abstentions: 0
 - a. Lila Motions to pass bill 2021-0008-registration fees
 - b. Aubren seconds
 - i. In Favor: 11
 - ii. Opposed: 0
 - iii. Abstentions: 1

(7:30p) Continuing Business

- 1. Upcoming Dates (2 mins)
 - a. [Hillel Conversation with Harvey Esptein](#) Oct 22nd, 5 PM on Facebook part of the SACL initiative, talking about how important it is to vote
 - b. National Youth Call In Day, on October 14th either 1 PM or 4 PM to inundate calls to the senate
 - c. Monday 10/19 [Ballots and Borders](#), what's at stake for international students
 - d. [Hosting a leadership summit Saturday 12-2:30 EST](#)
 - e. Grace is meeting with Bill Guerro
 - f. Harvard is hosting a law
- 2. Senator Reports (4 mins)
 - i. Lila Weiser
 - 1. Freshmen know your rights bill
 - 2. Faculty seemed positive about adopting the Nov. 3rd excused absence day
 - ii. Leticia Guibunda
 - 1. Contacted all international students
 - 2. Office hours have not happened yet, so please email Leticia to meet and schedule a time convenient for their timezone
 - 3. Saturday attended the ICIC welcome back event and met first years!
 - 4. Spoke to Jenny Pickett from reslife and how to accommodate students coming from restricted states and countries
 - 5. Mental health list with a few drop in spaces to speak out about what is available
 - 6. Appropriations committees started

7. Ballots and Borders to learn how immigration policies affect different visas.
3. Bill Updates (8 mins)
 - i. 2021-0001 (Ruffino, Powers)
 1. Contract is being reviewed by legal
 - ii. 2021-0002 (Ruffino)
 1. Definitely received and confirmed it was received
 - iii. 2021-0003 (Morrow)
 1. Already had a 60-day calendar limit to stick to
 2. The office does not want to go over that, because they can be liable
 3. Going through policies to make things more available to students
 - iv. 2021-0004 (Ruffino)
 1. Resolved

(7:45p) 5 MINUTE BREAK

(7:50p) Officer Reports

1. President
 - a. Meet the Senate! Instagram Stories
 - i. 1 minute long
 - ii. Name, pronouns, year/major, position, and what you're focusing on this year regarding SGC
 - iii. Send it to me at sgcpresident@ithaca.edu
 - iv. Starting to post tomorrow
 - b. Logo Brief
 - i. We filled out our brief to send to students
 - c. Interview with Syd today
 - i. Thinking about who needs to see the bills being passed
 - ii. Has never been done before, but the goal is to communicate our recommendation to the right people and from there, make it work
 1. ORC will create legislation about this
 - iii. Hillel has reached out about working on any initiatives
 1. Making our calendar accessible to all people
 - d. Signing up SGC for bomberthon
 - e. Stand For Justice Panel
 - i. Thank you to Sebastian and Soumyaa for representing SGC

- f. Poll for how many people voted
 - i. Encouraging orgs to do this with digital stickers
 - g. Received Liza's meeting
 - h. Recruitment
 - i. We have a bunch of names, but seats that are qualified are getting filled
 - i. Google Indigenous People's Day
 - i. Would love to see a land recognition bill on the floor as a part of the syllabus
 - 1. Call on Indigenous students when you want to work on this, reach out to Yetunde
 - j. Office Hours
 - i. Trying to get it on Sakai and for us to have our own Zoom room
 - k. Bills
 - i. Update bills with dates, final votes
 - 1. Send to Allie, Connor, Abby, and Austin
 - a. sgcsenatechar@ithaca.edu,
sgcpresident@ithaca.edu,
sgcchiefstaff@ithaca.edu,
aruffino@ithaca.edu
 - b.
2. Vice President of Campus Affairs
- a. Public Relations (Introduction & Purpose)
 - b. Looking for Assistant
 - i. October 16, 2020
 - 1. Got one application!!
 - c. Self- Care Sunday (Update)
 - d. Creating a form for Campus Affairs committee
 - i. Student Worker
 - ii. SASP
 - iii. Athletics
 - iv. Accessibility
 - v. Dining
 - vi. Student Org
 - vii. RHA
 - viii. ECO Rep
 - ix. Senator At Large
 - e. Updates regarding Q & A Session w/ VP ferro

- i. Let Yetunde know if you have any q's
 - f. Formation of CAC by October 26th
 - g. Starting IC Powerful Students this week
- 3. Vice President of Academic Affairs
 - a. Academic bills
 - i. Met with some ideas for bills
 - 1. If anyone wants to contribute let Soumyaa know
 - b. Bill for Mandatory anti-racism training for professors
 - i. Write a bill making this mandatory for faculty
 - 1. From Connor Shea for your recommendation, is it an example, or is it just saying we need to **have** this training
 - 2. Soumyaa says both
 - 3. Yetunde- Center for faculty excellence has an optional training
 - a. Faculty responds well to other faculty members
 - 4. Carleigh - should also include tenured professors
 - c. ICC Taskforce Updates
 - i. Finalizing a proposal for a replacement for the e-portfolio
 - ii. Making a presentation should they be allowed
 - d. Assistant Application!!
 - i. **Please please apply**
 - e. Meeting the provost
 - i. Let Soumyaa know if you have questions
- 4. Vice President of Business and Finance
 - a. Allocation Process
 - i. If org is recognized, they put in work and present
 - ii. Appropriations, committee, approves, denies or tables the budget based on SGC.
 - iii. Amount of money 63,322.80
 - 1. We have money and can fund, this is just a portion
 - b. Looking at Student Employment
 - i. Soumyaa and Grace are meeting this week to make sure student employment is accessible
 - ii. If you are interested, message Grace or Soumyaa
 - iii. Posting is slack the exact meeting time
- 5. Vice President of Communications
 - a. Getting settled in the position

- b. Tonight, Deontae will be sending an email to Chief Wagner to get familiar with each other
 - c. Communications committee coming soon
 - d. Change of LMS, video going out this week
 - i. Austin and Deontae are advocating for students
 - e. Spoke to E-Board members yesterday about how some professors have not provided hard deadlines or syllabi
 - i. If you have similar qualms, maybe we can do something about it
- 6. Senate Chair
 - a. Fill out Senator Survey
 - i. Waiting from Calvin and Jasmine
 - b. Committee Interest
 - i. Let Abby know where you want to be!
 - c. 1 on 1s
 - i. Working on getting all of these done and scheduled
 - d. ORC is meeting after this meeting
 - i. 4 more senator, 1 more student at large
 - ii. We will be working on recommendation
 - e. Looking at what Cornell assembly is doing
 - f. Take the [mentor survey](#) if you just joined from this summer through now
 - g. TCAT Committee- will email you again, it's coming up. October 22nd
 - h. Lila said - SGC can be more accessible
 - i. Free closed captioning option
- 7. Chief of Staff
 - a. Since we won't be on campus this semester, please let me know if you have any digital copies of prominent SGC historical moment
 - i. Slack Allie dates, add me whenever you need anything
 - b. Please let me know if you have anything of importance to note on an SGC academic calendar. Click to view: [Internal](#) and [External](#)
- 8. Student Trustee
 - a. Absent
- 9. Residence Hall Association Designee
 - a. Fun event, DM RHA on IG, pictures of your pumpkins that you carved or painting
 - b. E-Board is hosting a virtual event on Oct 20th from 8:30-9:30 on Instagram

- i. @ithacarha
- 10. Student Liaison to the Alumni Board
 - a. The college is facing financial burdens and it is affecting everyone
 - i. Furloughs and cuts to philanthropy and engagement
 - 1. VP Cobler sent an announcement of a shift in roles
 - b. Sunday 10/25 is the bi-annual meeting
 - i. From 8 AM - 1 PM
 - ii. Philanthropy liaison
 - 1. Working with Board of Directors and IC Annual Fund to provide more resources
 - iii. If you have anything to share, let connor know at CWatson3@ithaca.edu
 - 1. Connor from Connor, we will try to share our board-meeting presentation
 - 2. Newsletter is in the works pending budget

(8:15p) Open Agenda

- 1. Campus Climate Discussion
 - a. IC Votes
 - i. Debate watch party is cancelled
 - ii. We are not getting Motivate
 - 1. We have rebounded
 - a. IC Votes Challenge
 - i. Find out if everyone has voted, and we will send you a sticker
 - iii. Soumyaa
 - 1. Maybe schools can also get involved with Departments
 - iv. Mary
 - 1. Get sports teams to join in on this
- b. Deontae
 - i. We have Twitter now YAY
 - ii. @IC_SGC
- c. [Faculty/staff cuts](#)
 - i. [Chronicle link here](#)
 - ii. Allie - H & S School is extremely concerned
 - iii. Soumyaa - Plans to talk with the provost
 - iv. Connor Shea - These cuts have been made in other departments as well. Community members are hurting
 - 1. Where is our place in this

2. Students do not exist without faculty and staff
- v. Abby
 1. When they started to make staff cuts, it was very scary
 2. Reminder to be compassionate
 3. Consider faculty members children and family members
 4. And healthcare
- vi. Yetunde
 1. Can we do a faculty and staff appreciation
 - a. Highlight students appreciation for faculty and staff
 - b. Cute art pieces, or info thanking faculty to share for faculty and staff during meetings
 - c. Advocate for the legacy
 - i. Find someone in EVERY major
- vii. Liza
 1. Low enrollment in self
 2. Students are always put first
2. Board of Trustees Presentation
 - a. The E-Board has been invited to a meeting with the board of trustees
 - i. We will have 10 minutes as SGC of an overview of what we are up to
 1. Priority
 - a. Remote learning
 - b. Racial injustice
 2. You will see the presentation
3. Video outside of Ithaca Police station
 - a. What is our relationship to outside entities
 - b. Set up a time with student assembly at Cornell
 - c. Tompkins County [Human Rights Commission](#) could be a great partnership here
4. Austin
 - a. If you are a new senator, add your info to slack so Austin can bring it to the site
 - b. LMS is an important decision
 - i. If you have opinion, please reach out to Austin and Deontae
 - ii. Lila- are all of the documents transferable

1. Austin - Key on the list

5. Yetunde

a. Anyone needing a faith base

i. On Sundays, service is 30 min, bible study is 1 hour

1. 6:15 EST on Tuesdays

ii. If you find yourself needing some spiritual guidance, click the link [here](#)

(8:45p) **Adjournment**

Liza: Motion to Adjourn at 9:30 PM

Aubren: seconds