



Ithaca College Student Governance Council Meeting Agenda
Monday, 9/30/2024| 7:00 P.M. in Campus Center Taughannock Falls Room

Call to Order: 7:00 PM

Roll Call: Rishabh Sen, Eva Horst, Kathi Hodel, Caleb Cackowski, Ty Anderson, Nicole Sutera, Tisa Manandhar, Dante Conde, Amelia Grimshaw, Manan Maini, Alexis Arias, Giulia Gennari, Lori Armstrong, Evan Wasserman, Login Abudalla, Baneet Pukhrambam, Noeline Luyindula, Anabel Pimenta Velloso, Marshall Long, Joslyn Forcione, Paris Agiomavritis, Abe Marron, Claude Hayes, Mureen Doherty, Dan Rogers.

Absent: Juno Brooks

Ithacan Reporter: Eamon Corbo

Approval of the Minutes: Baneet motions to approve the minutes from 09/09/24, Dante seconds the motion, motion passes (13-0-1)

Evan motions to approve the last minutes (09/23/23) Amelia seconds, motion passes (15-0-0)

Appropriations Financial Report

New Business

· **Community Session**

Middle States with Professor Te-Wen Lo, Associate Professor in the Bio Dept.

1. Reaccreditation happens once every 8 years.
2. Time for campus to grow, correct, reflect and self assess to come out as a better, stronger institution
3. Priorities are:
 - a. Student success, educate students across different curriculums, sustainable and appropriate size, equity, inclusion, and belonging.
 - b. Highlighting our strengths

- c. Year 2 of 3: preparing to study the report backed up with evidence from every department and division
- d. 7 standards for re-accreditation
- e. Looking for student involvement in 3 of the 7 standards working group
- f. Te-Wen recommends those interested to look into the website or reach out to Te-Wen, primary role will be readers of the drafts that have been written

Noeline asks what the timeline and commitment looks like

Te-Wen says, full draft will be written by November 11, and representatives can dedicate their time accordingly.

Login asks how many people are required

Te-Wen says they are looking for 3 students for working groups 1, 3, and 5.

· **Guest Speaker**

Kayla Katsman and Michelle Goode from the Center for Health Promotion

1. Graduate health ambassador as well as 3 undergraduate ambassadors
2. Mission is to support Ithaca College students in developing the skills and identifying the resources necessary for making healthy lifestyle choices
3. What does CHP do?
 - a. BASICS (Balancing Alcohol and Substance Use to Improve College Success)
 - b. Health and wellness SLI in self category
 - c. National College Health Assessment survey (Spring 2025)
 - i. Data available on the CHP website
 - d. Walter Whaleness Express
 - i. Free subscription based process to request health regarding kits and supplies
 - e. Wellness Resource Room
 - i. Relaxation forms, meditation, decompress between classes, light therapy for winter weather etc.
 - f. Wellness RLC (Rowland)
 - i. Bottom floor of Rowland Hall
 - ii. Upcoming events: pumpkin patch, pumpkin painting, and other self care themed events (only open to those part of the RLC)
 - g. Wya
 - i. Self care app that all IC students have premium access too
 - ii. Specially designed by mental health providers
4. Coordinate and work with Alcohol and other Substance Team, Mental Health Flock etc.

5. Wysa
 - a. More information is on their website
 - b. Self care app for students and faculty, uses closed AI system
 - c. 32 different sections to help with different self care techniques
 - d. Looking for Wysa brand ambassadors:
 - i. Recruiting students
 - ii. Commitments: represent Wysa by wearing Wysa t-shirt and talk about how anyone can use Wysa
 - iii. Points can give ambassadors different promotional items
6. Traditions Project:
 - a. Large group of people that don't use alcohol and other substances that feel as though they do not belong. What else can be done instead, during these times specifically where there is larger AOD use?
 - b. Freshman Bucket List
 - c. Seniors Traditions List

Paris suggests making limited edition stickers that will encourage students to join these events

Noeline suggests extending After Dark at IC to the weekend or more events at night, as this is the time students usually go out

Rishabh suggests turning the checklist into quarter cards, something like a checklist to increase participation

Login suggests involvement of e-sports team

Evan suggests collaborating with IT to create a digital checklist on an app that is in the works currently

7. CHP is looking for student representatives for AOD team and Mental Health Flock (previously known as the JED committee)

Laura Davis, Director, Residential Life and Student Affairs

Promo: Cookies for Candles on October 3, 2024 in West Tower Lobby! (Exchange cookies for any violations like extension cords, candles etc)

1. Updates from Office of ResLife
 - a. Highlights from 2024-2024
 - i. 124 events with 2154 students have attended these events
 - b. Launches for 2024-2025
 - i. Shared journeys–Bipoc Unity Center RLC
 - ii. Reach out to ResLife if you are interested in starting an RLC

- c. Laundry: all laundry machines installed across campus (150 washing machines and 165 dryers)
 - i. Coming soon: Laundry app and laundry machines will be bluetooth friendly to check availability and status of machines, control timing of machines etc.
 - ii. App can track the use of each laundry machine and collect data to rotate machines and add to their life
 - d. Terrace bathroom refresh:
 - i. Terraces 3, 7, 8, and 9 have been refreshed
 - ii. Interior redesign without changing plumbing infrastructures
 - e. Terrace 1 elevator/connector project:
 - i. Additional accessibility to T1: accessible kitchen and bathroom, including a connector for a bidet, adding AC in 6 rooms
2. Planning for the Future:
- a. Housing inventory or campus projections
 - b. Process involves student based feedback
 - c. Balancing upgrades for first year vs returning students
 - d. T2 has become an upper year community with all singles
 - e. Upcoming reach out to Rising Seniors:
 - i. Senior housing deposit, \$500 housing security deposit securing on campus housing that is NOT an extra fee, and will be worked through SFS. This will start in March and end in May before new loans are given. Amount is also non-refundable for students wanting to live off campus after paying the deposit

Eva asks if it is for every roommate or \$500 per person.

Laura says it is \$500 per person.

Dante asks how current financial aid would be affected.

Laura says SFS is considerate and understanding of each individual's circumstances and students can work it out with SFS.

Giulia asks how the \$500 would be applied to the bill.

Laura says the \$500 is paid in advance and is applied to the following semester bill.

Kathi asks how residents would be affected if construction was done after the deposit was put in, and they had to move off campus.

Laura says \$500 would be applied to anywhere they would move on campus, ResLife will not incentivise students to live off campus so it will still be non-refundable

Login asks how transfer students are affected, will this be billed to their housing?

Laura says this is solely for rising seniors and will be a similar process for rising seniors who are transfers.

Alexis asks if the \$500 deposit guarantees everyone's first choice.

Laura says it does not guarantee 1st choice

- Grace period: seniors not getting their housing preference are given a window to refuse the offer. This will help make changes and accommodations for housing assignments quicker
- ii. Residential Experience Grant:
 - \$2000 awarded only to undergraduate students living on campus
- 3. New Opportunities:
 - a. Refreshing quads (specifically lower quads)
 - b. Recognizing increased requests and needs like AC and bidets (commercial grade plumbing prevents bidets in residential buildings)

· **Confirmations**

- So many!

1. Login Abudalla, Appropriations

- a. Login would like to help process look smoother for all student organizations

Kathi asks what Login is most excited about Appropriations.

Login says she is most excited about learning about the behind the scenes of budgeting, allocations and approvals.

2. Paris Agiomavritis, Appropriations

- a. Accounting student
- b. Paris was on the committee last year
- c. CMA certification on managerial accounting

Rishabh asks what Paris learned from last year, being on the Appropriations committee, and what Paris is most excited about for this year.

Paris enjoyed hearing cool budget ideas, and sharing with other people these events and ideas that are coming up.

Noeline asks what she would change about appropriations

Paris wants to clear up confusion between operations budgets and program budgets.

3. Alexis Arias, Appropriations

- a. Finance major and data science minor
- b. Current treasurer for B4B, and fraternity
- c. Made tough decisions about money allocation

Rishabh asks what Alexis's favorite thing has been being a treasurer.

Alexis says that it was good to make sure everyone's inputs were heard to make budgeting more feasible.

4. Juno Brooks, Appropriations

- a. Works with clubs so they are interested in helping clubs get the funding they need
- b. They have been a part of a family business so they have knowledge

5. Dante Conde, Appropriations

- a. Political science major
- b. Served on the appropriations committee for the last couple semesters
- c. He wants to step out of his field and be able to work behind the scenes in coordinating funds

Baneet asks what Dante's favorite event that he approved was.

Dante says it was an event called Icasu put together by AAA.

6. Abe Marron, Appropriations

- a. Abe is good at organizational tasks
- b. Abe also is interested in learning more about appropriation and how it works

Rishabh asks Abe if Abe has been in positions where they had to demonstrate their organizational and attention to detail skills

Abe says he was the director of a camp where he had to use his organizational skills.

7. Manan Maini, Appropriations

- a. Computer science major
- b. He likes to pay attention to small details that may create problems in the future

Evan asks if Manan was in any leadership positions.

Manan says he was the dean of around 600 students in his high school.

8. Anabel Pimenta Velloso, Appropriations

- a. Well versed in excel
- b. Organized and involved in various clubs
- c. Office of facilities where Anabel approves budgets and is used to

Evan asks what Anabel's tasks look like in their job.

Anabel says it mainly includes asking facilities staff about how much of the budget was spent and determining whether it was reasonable or not.

Executive session begins 8:36 PM

Executive session ends 8:43 PM

· Miscellaneous

Continuing Business

- Miscellaneous
- Senator Reports
 - Joslyn Forcione, Senator at Large
 - o Not confirmed meeting time for SJSC yet
 - o Working on academic calendar committee
 - o Voter registration
 - o Recent treasurer for psychiatric association, reach out to Joslyn to be a student representative
 - Paris Agiomavritis, Senator at Large
 - o Goal:
 - Ithaca farmers market winter session struggling to find a space, interesting in seeing whether SGC could find a space on campus for the farmers market during the weekend, maybe in Textor hall
 - Beautification projects for community gardens

Officer Reports

- President of the Student Body
 1. Middle states re-accreditation team
 - a. Year 2 of 3

- b. 1:1 with President Cornish coming up, and questions welcome in open agenda
 - c. Input/feedback about the elections
- Vice President of Campus Affairs
 - 1. ETAC meeting
 - 2. Campus Affairs committee starting this week
 - 3. Meeting with Dr B coming up
- Vice President of Academic Affairs
- Vice President of Business & Finance
 - 1. Appropriations committee training and retreat coming up
- Vice President of Communications
 - 1. Writing thank you cards to all guest speakers
 - 2. Communications committee teams channel for when meetings could be scheduled for
 - 3. Goals: give more attention to guest speaker posts ahead of time
- Vice President of Residential Affairs
 - 1. Halloween programming for the end of the month
 - 2. Decorating residential areas and campus spaces for Halloween
- Senate Chair
 - 1. Senator report schedule will be sent tonight
- Chief of Staff
 - 1. Website mostly done
 - 2. Bills from last year will be posted soon

Open Agenda

Baneet talks about the academic calendar committee and some corrections that need to be made for Fall of 2026. A couple solutions are:

- 1. Getting rid of fall break
- 2. Having classes on the Monday and Tuesday of Thanksgiving break

Joslyn suggests a vote for next week's open agenda so everyone has a chance to look at the document.

Marshall mentions that the club softball team has secured a space on campus for a match.

Rishabh mentions that Yusef has resigned and that this spot is open, and the e-board will work together to see how this spot will be filled.

Adjournment: 9:04 PM