



Ithaca College Student Governance Council Meeting Agenda
Monday, 9/29/2025 | 7:00 P.M. in Campus Center Taughannock Falls Room

Call to Order-: 7:00pm

Land Acknowledgement

Roll Call-: Rishabh Sen, Eva Horst Asata Rothblatt, Juno Brooks, Caleb Cackowski, Ty Anderson, Nicole Sutera, Haley Beckford, Manan Maini, Jagrit Dhingra, Marissa Moskowitz, Jacqueline Thompson, Angel Pandey, Pranat Shah, Frankie Weisse, Amelia Grimshaw, Login Abudalla, Margaret Gem Martinez, Luis Antonio Toriche, Emmi Chen, Abe Marron, Ty Sayahi, Aditya Valecha, Ari Medvinsky

Absent-: Ash Beall

Ithacan Reporter-: Naomi Martin

Approval of the Minutes- :

- Meeting on 9.8.25: 15-0-8**
- Meeting on 9.15.25: 12-0-4**

Appropriations Financial Report-: Juno Brooks

- Currently 20 budgets waiting to be heard this Wednesday (approx. \$30,000)
- Inviting members of the senate to attend this week's meeting

New Business

- **Community Session**
- **Guest Speaker**
 - **Prakriti Panwar, The Ithacan**

She was invited to share how the Ithacan serves the community and can be a valuable contributor to the SGC Community

- **What is the role of the Ithacan?**

All members of the Ithacan have a shared commitment to the community. Their goal is to maintain feelings of trust in the community.

- **What is the protocol of the Ithacan in SGC?**

- 1) On the record-: Everything members say in an SGC meeting is publishable and can be attributed to you
 - 2) Off the record-: Sources should ask reporters if something can be off the record before they share it
 - 3) Direct vs. Paraphrase-: Quotes cannot be reviewed or edited after publication
 - 4) Takedown requests-: Notifications about factual errors are welcomed. Things are rarely taken down and assessed on a case by case basis
 - 5) Photographer at SGC-: all photos taken at meetings by the Ithacan can be used by SGC for posting once the Ithacan is properly accredited
- What resources does the Ithacan offer to the general student body
 - 1) Contact the community outreach manager Kai Linke
 - 2) Meet the editors and other members of staff at open office hours after Fall Break
 - 3) Visit the Ithacan office every Friday from 10:00-11:30 in Park 220 to meet with Kai Linke (Community Outreach Manager)

Q&A

Question-: *How can students join the Ithacan?*

- Prakriti mentioned that the process for joining the Ithacan is not the same for each student. She gave an example of starting as a staff writer, taking photos or doing designs to integrate themselves into the Ithacan community.

Question-: *How is conflict of interest avoided?*

- Prakriti mentioned that it is done on a case-by-case basis. However, in all cases it is crucial that the party involved is honest about their personal connections that places them in a biased position

to create a conflict of interest. In the end, the situation is presented to Prakriti who will make the final decision to ensure objectivity and avoid any conflicts of interest.

Question-: *When will the open office hours initiative be implemented?*

- The open office hours initiative will be implemented after Fall Break. In the interim, students interested in reaching out to the Ithacan are urged to go to meet with the Community Outreach Manager Kai Linke during her office hours every Friday in Park 220.

· **Confirmations**

- **Appropriations Committee**

Manan Maini

- A member of the Appropriations Committee last year
- Has a major in Business
- Has a strong interest in being involved on campus
- Learned a lot about the protocols of the Appropriations Committee by working alongside Kathi

Vote Happened

Emmi Chen

- Interested in learning more about the inner working of the committee after attending the training session

Vote Happened

Aditya Valecha

- Has gained experience of how to maintain a tight budget from prior experience in High School
- Has a strong love for numbers due to his interest in Finance
- Would like to like more about the inner workings of all clubs beyond a niche club and would like to use this opportunity to be involved in campus life

Vote Happened

Note-: Entered executive session at 7:30pm and ended executive session at 7:38pm

· **Miscellaneous**

Continuing Business

- Miscellaneous
 - 1) Eva led her presentation on how to navigate the SGC Teams platform
 - 2) Initiative Incubator led by Rishabh Sen
 - Historical SGC Initiatives
 - All gender bathrooms
 - Employee vaccinations
 - Tuition transparency during the Covid-19 pandemic
 - SGC's Goals for 2025-2026
 - Student well-being advocacy
 - Sustainability
 - Transparency
 - Initiative brainstorming session with all members of the senate and e-board members in small groups started at 7:53pm and ended at 8:40pm
- Senator Reports
 - **Login Abudallah**, Transfer Senator
 - Getting herself out there to her constituents
 - Working on making the transfer credit system for efficient for transfer students (Eg. A position for a designated transfer advisor)
 - Increase in student engagement and build community with transfer students via new and engaging initiatives such as newsletters
 - **Amelia Grimshaw**, School of H&S Senator
 - Interested in getting more involvement in the science community on campus
 - Urging students in this school to reach out to her with ideas and concerns on Teams
 - **Abe Marron**, Senator at Larger
 - Shared a push for students to get involved in Campus Affairs Committee
 - Excited on launching his initiative on Centralizing communication initiative

Officer Reports

- President of the Student Body
 - Intro to initiative incubator: platform for making change on campus
 - Updates from meetings with President Cornish

- Vice President of Campus Affairs
 - Shared updates on her meeting with Dr. Bradwell
- Vice President of Academic Affairs
 - Will be having her meeting with the Provost next week Friday
 - Urging all academic senators to be on the lookout for their first meeting
- Vice President of Business & Finance
 - Asking student interested in being the Assistant for the Appropriations Committee to fill out the interest form in Teams
 - Had a meeting with Tim Downs about cuts to student on-campus salaries
- Vice President of Communications
 - Shared an update on student following on social media platforms such as Instagram
- Vice President of Residential Affairs
 - Shared information about this year's thanksgiving dinner in partnership with the Unity Center and the International Students Program
 - Shared information about new Reslife director Sally Greenfield coming to speak at a SGC meeting
- Senate Chair
 - Assistant Position!
 - Senator 1:1s!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- Chief of Staff
 - Reminding all members of the Senate to submit their pictures for the SGC website

Open Agenda

Adjournment-: 9:00pm