



Ithaca College Student Governance Council Meeting Agenda
Monday, 11/10/2025 | 7:00 P.M. in Campus Center Taughannock Falls Room

Call to Order-: 7:01pm

Land Acknowledgement

Roll Call-: Rishabh Sen, Eva Horst, Asata Rothblatt, Juno Brooks, Caleb Cackowski, Nicole Sutera, Haley Beckford, Jamie Sweren, Jagrit Dhingra, Marissa Moskowitz, Angel Pandey, Frankie Weisse, Amelia Grimshaw, Abe Marron, Ty Sayahi, Ari Medvinsky, Ash Beall

Absent-: Jacqueline Thompson, Pranat Shah, Margaret Gem Martinez, Luis Antonio Toriche, Emmi Chen, Aditya Valecha

Ithacan Reporter-: Naomi Martin

Approval of the Minutes-: Did not meet quorum

Appropriations Financial Report (5 minutes)-: Juno Brooks

- **Total Amount Allocated-: \$8,891.00**
- **Last Week was the last meeting for hearing Fall Operational Budgets**

New Business

- **Community Session**
- **Guest Speaker (40 minutes)**

- **Provost Melanie Stein**, Executive Vice President and Provost for Academic Affairs

Q&A Segment

- Juno-: *Students are worried about shrinking course offerings, specifically in relation to major course offerings*

Due to significant shrinking within the student body of the institution, as well as a decline in the number of faculty. Due to this, there has been a contraction in the number of courses offered during the last 5-6 years. The school is trying to work with the faculty to adjust the curriculum. The school has not seen issues with a lack of classes affecting students' ability to graduate on time

- Rishabh-: *Given a cut of certain programs and the re-branding of replacement programs, is there a plan in place to streamline these changes on the part of Academic Affairs*

In part due to student enrollment and market process. There is a dynamic process of constantly refreshing internal data and seeing where students are choosing to go, along with market research. Eg) Changes in the Strategic Communications department. This involves changes in the offerings their majors.

- Abe-: *What led to formation of the new AI computer Science major?*

It was a combination of external research showing the computer science department only offered a computer science major as well as the research found from the external market research that showed a lack of attraction for prospective students.

- Juno-: *What conversations were had regarding faculty for the use of AI?*

The general stance is faculty is responsible for doing their job properly. Just like if a student uses AI to write a paper without applying their own knowledge, it is wrong for faculty to use a tool like AI in aspects such as grading by taking responsibility and accountability for their actions and conducting their regular responsibilities and obligations as teachers.

- Niiki-: *If students use AI on assignments without permission it is made clear that student will face strong repercussions, are there similar repercussions for faculty?*

Yes, however it is not the same process. Faculty has their own standards for doing their work properly. If faculty does not do their jobs effectively there are procedures put in place to hold them accountable.

□ Ari-: *Is AI usage more accepted within some majors and departments?*

The school does not intend to create a complex regulatory structure surrounding AI usage. A lot is dependent on the faculty's judgement and discretion.

- **Confirmations**

- None this week!

- **Miscellaneous**

Continuing Business

- Miscellaneous
- Senator Reports (10 minutes)
 - **Emmi Chen:** Varsity Athlete Senator-: Absent
 - **Ty Sayahi:** Senator at Large
 - 1) Been working with CAC to improve resources for disabled students
 - 2) Working towards launching a disabled student RLC
 - 3) Been working with SJSC to work on improving resources for trans and intersex students.
 - **Amelia Grimshaw:** School of H&S Senator
 - 1) Met with the Dean of H&S. Discussed the possibility of an alumni fair and panelling a program called the Alumni Book Fair Club for H&S
 - 2) Working on her enrollment initiative and focusing on getting more word out on the labs. The dean would love to do more marketing to highlight the work done in labs.
 - 3) Will be doing an interview and interactive project within labs to increase marketing and awareness

- 4) Been attending SJSC meetings and has been working as the assistant for the committee

Officer Reports (10 minutes)

- President of the Student Body
 - Cortaca Event this Saturday
 - E-board meeting with Middle-States Accreditation Board
 - Will be meeting with Dave Wild and Casey Kendall from the Information Technology Department and Analytics
 - Looking for a replacement for the Vice President of Residential Affairs e-board position
- Vice President of Campus Affairs
 - Will be meeting with Dr. B and Laura Davis next week to discuss a themed living initiative
 - CAC meeting this Wednesday
- Vice President of Academic Affairs
 - If you have anything else to ask the Provost, please let me know.
 - APC full meeting
 - Battery Disposal initiative
- Vice President of Business & Finance
 - Changes to student employment
 - Summer housing alternatives
 - Congress2Campus Committee
- Vice President of Communications
 - Assistants!
 - Cortaca Communications – posters and Instagram posts in motion
 - Appropriations recruitment
- Vice President of Residential Affairs
- Senate Chair

- Nothing to report!
- Chief of Staff
 - Keep e-board members updated on progress with initiatives

Open Agenda (15 minutes)

- Asata-: Asking the Senate for questions for her meeting with the Provost
- Rishabh-: Reaching out for volunteers for the Thanksgiving Dinner event. If interested reach out to Rishabh on Teams
- Abe-: Asking if members of the Senate have any ideas or input for the AI Ad Hoc Committee Bill. Reach out on to Abe on Teams or send the emails of prospective members to members of the SJSC
- Nikki-: Jazz Vocal Ensemble Performance on Thursday at 8:15pm in Whalen

Adjournment-: 8:48pm