



Ithaca College Student Governance Council Meeting Agenda
Monday, 2/23/2025 | 7:00 P.M. in Campus Center Taughannock Falls Room

Call to Order-: 7:02pm

Roll Call-: Rishabh Sen, Eva Horst, Asata Rothblatt, Marissa Moskowitz, Amelia Grimshaw, Nicole Sutera, Haley Beckford, Jamie Sweren, Frankie Weisse, Ari Medvinsky, Margaret Gem Martinez, Oliva Adams, Abe Marron, Ty Sayahi, Aditya Valecha , Ash Beall, Ayush Sharma

Absent-: Juno Brooks, Jacqueline Thompson, Aja Jelks

Ithacan Reporter-: Isabella Edghill

Land Acknowledgement

Appropriations Financial Report (5 minutes)

- **No financial report. The Appropriation Committee did not meet last week.**

Approval of Minutes-: 9-0-0

New Business

- **Community Session**
- **Guest Speaker**
 - **Elizabeth Bleicher, Dean of Student Success, Academic Support Center**

- Location-: Muller 106
- Approximately 290 students have visited the center since the beginning of Spring semester 2026

FAQS

- 1) Letters of academic concern
- 2) Leave of absence
- 3) Academic probation/warning
- 4) SAP Warning

Staffing

- 1) Academic Development Specialists
 - Elevation of roles and expertise
 - Cross training and professional development
- 2) Improved student experiences
 - Accurate and consistent information
 - Warm handoffs improved
 - Swift resolutions
- 3) Reduced timeline for academic concerns and resolutions

Academic Status Process

- More automated procedure for assigning initial status based on the metrics outlined in the policy
- Streamlined and consistent communication to students, regardless of school
- Students on warning provided with links to resources plus additional outreach
- Single, college-wide appeal process for suspension

Outreach

- Tabling during Add/Drop week
- Targeted email and SMS campaigns-:
 - 1) SAP warning or waiver status
 - 2) Suspended
 - 3) Academic Warning
 - 4) Good academic standing
 - 5) Dean's List Recognition

- 6) High unpaid balances at risk of schedule or housing removal
- 7) Unregistered

Q&A Segment

- Aditya-: H&S Pathways students would like to know how preregistration is impacted whether they are undeclared or declare a major

A pathways students must meet with their program director and have early registration for two courses. The purpose of preregistration for first year pathways students is to prioritize their seat before seniors register.

- Ty-: Why was the Centre for Student Success Created?
To create a easy access line of communication for students who need to get in contact with their dean
- Abe-: What does the SAP process look like?
It involves completing 67% of all credits within each requirement as well as maintaining a minimum GPA of 2.5. This also involves students working with their advisors to create an academic plan. If you are on SAP warning you have one semester to get everything in order
- Ash-: How do students recover from suspension financially?
When students come back, they can work with the Centre to ensure that they can get some or most of their aid packages back. As a first year, the agreement with Ithaca College states that all students must remain in good academic standards for 8 semesters. If this is not met or in this case a student is suspended, the school reserves the right to put this funding.

· **Confirmations (15 minutes)**

- **Olivia Adams**, Appropriations Committee
 - 1) First year and the Student of Colour Coalition Senator
 - 2) Would like to better understand the funding allocation procedures
 - 3) Interested in understanding how the expectations for student orgs presenting budgets at Appropriations meetings
 - 4) Has had experience working with MLK Scholar Cohort leaders
 - 5) Experiences managing pricing and budgeting for her personal business
- **Ayush Sharma**, Appropriations Committee
 - 1) Senator at large

- 2) Would like real life experience with how money is budget and allocated to orgs
- 3) Interested in gaining knowledge that can applied when he run for e-board positions in his clubs

- **Miscellaneous**

Continuing Business

- Miscellaneous (25 minutes)
 - Bill 2526: 002: Student Accessibility Senator Bill

Motion to table the bill-: 7-1-2

- Senator Reports (10 minutes)
 - **Margaret Gem Martinez**, International Senator
 - 1) Prayer room confirmed in West Tower
 - 2) Purchased the items for the Prayer rooms
 - 3) Working on an initiative with Aditya
 - 4) Is working on student outreach for the AI Ad Hoc Committee
 - **Abe Marron**, Senator at Large
 - 1) Working to guide senators on the SJSC specifically with planning their initiatives
 - 2) Working with Scott Doyle on his Sustainability initiative for Eco-friendly swag
 - 3) Initiatives-: Accessible Living RLC, Tittle XI Recommendation, Appropriation Transparency,
 - **Jamie Sweren**, Class of 2028 Senator
 - 1) Working toward changing the room used to store
 - 2) Attending first APC this Thursday
 - 3) Will be working with the Communications Committee on their poster initiative

Officer Reports (10 minutes)

- President of the Student Body
 - Middle States Consultant Meeting on February 24, 2026
 - Will be meeting with President Cornish this week

- Vice President of Campus Affairs
 - Met with Bernie from facilities to discuss the Accessibility Bill for CAC

- Vice President of Academic Affairs
 - Will be scheduling meetings with senators and committees

- Vice President of Business & Finance

- Vice President of Communications
 - Spoke with collage club
 - Had an Communications meeting
 - Asking for members for the Senate to sign up for up-coming tabling hours
 - Reminding all members to fill out the Senators Officer Report Form for Officer Reports

- Vice President of Residential Affairs
 - Will be meeting with Eileen Roth this on February 25, 2026

- Senate Chair
 - Nothing for the whole!

- Chief of Staff
 - Nothing for the whole

Next Week's guest speaker-: Dr. Bazile (Vice President Student Affairs)

Open Agenda (15 minutes)

- **Ty**
 - Proposed the possibility of creating a sustainability senator position**
- **Frankie**

- Shared clarifications on the faculty and committees report to
- **Rishabh**
 - Urging senators to keep the e-board in the loop with their initiatives so that recognition can be given on the SGC website
- **Nikki**
 - Inviting members of the Senate to her senior recital on Sunday, March 29th in Hockett Family Recital Hall
- **Jamie**
 - Inviting members of the Senate to Bomberthon
- **Abe**
 - Spreading awareness about his recreational hiking club called Hemlocks and Hickories

Adjournment-: 8:50pm