



Ithaca College Student Governance Council Meeting Agenda
Monday, 8/28/2023| 7:00 P.M. in Campus Center Taughannock Falls Room

Call to Order: 7:00 PM

Roll Call: Eleanor Paterson, Carli McConnell, Rishabh Sen, Quinn Tufino Caleb Cawdeski, Olivia Jones, Cameron Small, Asata Rothblatt, Lilly Chalfant, Nicole Sutera, Utkarsh Maini, Baneet Pukhrambam, Noah Kamens, Kathi Hodel, Alexa Rahman, Noah Richardson, Noah Strathmann

Approval of the Minutes Eleanor looks favorably upon a motion to approve minutes from 05/01/23. Utkrash motions to appove, Nikki seconds, motion approved 8-0-0

New Business

- **Community Session**
- **Confirmations**
 - Election Committee

-2 min to talk 5 min Q&A

Caleb: There are a lot of things that we do need to fix from last cycle, our last meeting there was communication about transparency from the last election. I want to be involved in making sure these unclear questions are answered. It is important to be on this committee to fully get the word out and make sure we get a lot of people filling these positions and being engaged. I believe this starts with the election committee.

Q&A

Noah R: What changes from last year's election would you specifically make in this next election?

Caleb: We need to make sure the results get out.

Rishabh: Hi everyone, I want to be on this committee because I think we have a lot to learn from last year's elective cycle. I am very excited for the fall election because looking at last year's demographics there are a lot of interested first years. I think that the more people there are the more minds and the closer we are to making a change.

Q&A

Nikki: Is there anything in particular you are looking to do with the first years?

Rishabh: I want the first years to hear more about what is going on campus, pushing SGC program to be more well known. Also a major problem we had side note is engagement went down. We should work with IT on figuring that out.

Caleb: Do you have any plan to ensure the material and budgeting is correct this round?

Rishabh: If I am not wrong this is not a major fall election problem and has to do with the eboard.

Noah R: This is my 5th semester with SGC. It's very important to me and I hold near and dear to my heart. We have a lot of potential on this campus. We need to not focus on last year, but instead it is important to move forward and represent the entire student body. Having unclouded judgement and supporting everybody. I think it's best to let people know a system will be in place that can work and that every vote does matter.

Q&A

Asata: In looking into the future what is something that we can bring to the elections?

Noah R: Engagement like the other two speakers said. People can care about SGC we just have to go find them. Face to face with the student body, encouraging students to at least know who is speaking for them and letting them recognize who they are and the elections that are going on as well.

Alexa: I am the student trustee. Carli, Noah, and I have had a lot of conversations on what is SGC and what we want to bring to the table. The election committee will help me in choosing my next trustee and I have some ideas on what we can do in the future in these elections.

Q&A

Asata: I like your ideas; would it also have to do with adding to the constitution?

Alexa: Yes, that is what we have discussed as well.

Noah S: I think we should be expanding our committee in size, help oversee everything and be a part of this important process on campus.

Eleanor looks favorably to move into executive session, Utkarsh motions to go into executive session. Kathi seconds the motion, motion passed 8-0-0

Lilly motioned to exit executive session, Nikki second motion, motion passed 8-0-0

- **Miscellaneous**

-All Senators and Eboard Members introductions.

-Ithacan members introduced themselves.

Continuing Business

- **Senator Reports**
 - (Starting next week)

Officer Reports

- President of the Student Body
 - Goals: First and for most election committee
 - Getting more engagement...Town halls, more people involvement,
- Vice President of Campus Affairs
 - Student Advising
 - Goal: to perhaps talk about starting Pilot program
 - Getting an assistant
- Vice President of Academic Affairs
 - Goal: Keep up with possible changes and following through with some of the previous bills
- Vice President of Business & Finance
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- Vice President of Communications
 - Communication committee
 - Get socials up and running
 - Weekly updates
- Senate Chair
 - I will be looking for an assistant
- Chief of Staff
 - I am here to help the eboard in any way that they would need and that you are a resource for any additional hands that anyone may need on various projects and bills. As well as making the website more accessible and streamlined.

Open Agenda

Procedure...

Eleanor: Do you have any questions about procedure? I want to reiterate when speaking please hit one point at a time and remind yourself of the points listed on the back of your name tag. Please always be nice and respectful.

Committee...

Asata: This year is very important for the mental health and wellness committee. This will be the first full year running. It's incredibly important to make sure the club keeps going for us. It really speaks about mental health on campus. I am looking for new members. Starting fresh. New year new club. Let me know in an email.

Rashabh: Campus fair committee is really the easiest way to get involved on campus. Student advising and mail center is very important for me this year. As well as being able to preview packages and see what is received. If mail and dining is something you're interested in. Reach out to me.

Carli: We are looking to start social justice and sustainability committee, As well as the academic committee and the registrar. They are looking for people on this committee, it is open to everybody. The Parking Appeals committee also is looking for some members.

Fall elections:

- **Vice President Residential affairs**
- **Two Class of 24 Senator**
- **A Class of 25 Senator**
- **A Class of 26 Senator**
- **Two Class of 27 Senator**
- **4 Senators at large positions**

Opens on engage September 25

Adjournment: 8:04 Utkarsh motion to adjourns 8-0-0