

SRSGA Formal Meeting Agenda/Minutes

February 24th, 2025

Call to order - President Bloom

Roll Call – VP Sennett at 5:00 pm

Executive Board

- a) Ella Bloom – President
- b) Jaeda Johnston – VP of Finance
- c) Annalese Isenberg – VP of Student & Academic Affairs
- d) Connor Pavlicko – VP of Outreach
- e) Emily Sennett – VP of Internal Affairs
- f) Mercedes Nearhood – VP of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Belonging
- g) Raegan Czerniewski – Parliamentarian
- h) Owen Maharg – Speaker of the Senate

College of Business

- a) Senator Brown
- b) Senator Kato
- c) Senator Muhongerwa-Davis
- d) Senator A. Williams

College of Education

- a) Senator Ecklund
- b) Senator Maharg
- c) Senator E. Williams
- d) Senator Panaiia

College of Health Professions

- a) Senator Caroff
- b) Senator Sofranko
- c) Senator Thagard
- d) Senator Ogoreuc

College of Engineering & Science

- a) Senator Carbone
- b) Senator Koch
- c) Senator Kuth

College of Liberal Arts

- a) Senator Burchell
- b) Senator Kawata
- c) Senator Mortenson
- d) Senator Spradling

Commuter

- a) Senator Wolford
- b) Senator Young

Residence Hall

Transfer

- a) Senator Beatty

Veteran

a) Senator Reed

International

a) Senator Zaveri

Athlete

First-year

a) Senator Burtt

b) Senator Corbin

c) Senator McCausland

Graduate

At-Large

a) Senator Adegbulu

b) Senator Freilino

c) Senator Hamilton

d) Senator Leitera

e) Senator Mathie

f) Senator Nees

g) Senator Starkey

Advisors

a) Patrick Beswick

b) Wendy Leitera

APSCUF Representative

a) Dr. Mark Shotwell

Excused: Lietera, Nees

Absent:

Guest Speakers:

President Bloom: International Club is our first guest speaker this evening.

Good evening everyone we come to ask for support of our 50th annual International week, we are hoping that you can support us. We have a lot of different events this week, in collaboration with other clubs and it's a great experience. It's always a good time, our round table is Thursday during common hour, and that's a large event for us, and of course the International Dinner it's a presentation of all cultures, tickets are free but on a first come first serve basis. It's really a showcase of everyone on campus.

President Bloom: Senators, if you are interested in any events please attend and let us know to get office units!

Nearhood: In a few minutes we will be reading a proclamation of support on SRSGA's behalf, please listen as this is vastly important in today's current climate and with the unprecedented times we are currently experiencing.

President Bloom: Kudos to VP Nearhood on the creation of this proclamation, let's give her a round of applause for her great work.

WHEREAS:

The Slippery Rock Student Government Association (SRSGA) serves as the official representative body for all students at Slippery Rock University, and

WHEREAS:
SRSGA firmly opposes all forms of discrimination, hatred, and injustice that impact students within our community, and

WHEREAS:

Students from historically marginalized communities continue to face systemic barriers, bias, and exclusion, leading to significant distress and inequity, and

WHEREAS:

SRSGA acknowledges the history of intolerance, both subtle and overt, that has affected students across campus, including within leadership spaces, and

WHEREAS:

These ongoing challenges call for meaningful action and a renewed commitment to fostering an inclusive and equitable environment for all students, and

WHEREAS:

Ensuring the rights, safety, and well-being of all students—regardless of identity, background, or circumstance—is essential to creating a robust, supportive and inclusive campus community, and

WHEREAS:

SRSGA is dedicated to advocating for the dignity, respect, and empowerment of every student at Slippery Rock University.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The Slippery Rock Student Government Association urges all students, faculty, staff, and administration to actively support, uplift, and stand in solidarity with students from marginalized communities, ensuring that every individual is valued and respected.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the official seal of the office of the President to be affixed to this proclamation on this day

I just want to explain to you all that we make sure we remind the students that we are here for them and to support and advocate for them always. We are a Non-Partisan organization and our values reflect that.

Rockstar of the Week:

Officer/Committee Reports:

President – I'm Ella Bloom, President of SRSGA. I met with Dr. Riley last week and we talked about the health center and ensuring we offer quality care always. I know testing is currently not available, this is because they are waiting to be officially lab certified to perform medical testing. If you are interested in meeting with Aramark about food concerns, please let me know ASAP! Especially if you have dietary restrictions. Brief Turf Update, designs are fully finalized, and we should be breaking ground soon. This is so exciting personally. I want to share elections, please apply! No matter when you applied, you must run again, please fill out an election packet, all positions are open! Please apply, election packets close March 13th. Last week I wrote a column for The Rocket to encourage SRSGA participation by the student body. There's also a music recital tonight at Swope Music Hall, you should go, it's going to be very fun and you can earn an office unit!

VP SAA – The Safety Crawl is finalized! Please RSVP, this will replace that informal that week, so you all need to be there anyway. The SLS is almost completely done and will release on the 10th of March and run through the week. So, look out for more updates on that! I am the Rock Pantry+ Liasson so I will have updates for you all in the coming weeks!

VP Finance – Budgeting Season is starting soon so please help whenever you can! We're going to need all the extra hands we can get. The Finance Report is pretty straight forward this week, if you have questions please let me know.

VP Outreach – My committee decided to work on the SGA newsletter this week and that will be updated and published soon. We are co-sponsoring the event with OIE and Financial Aid FASFA Workshop. As well as the Understanding the Government Workshop, lots of good info there! Honors College is hosting a book club you should come. Committees working on marketing

VP Internal – Hi all! Please keep the office tidy, it's your place but let's keep it nice. If anyone wants to help out for giving day please let me know! Also a general reminder that we have a dress code, please be sure to adhere to it, thank you all!

VP DEIB – First I'd like to say the Diversity Events calendar is going out this week. Reminder that people who sit on a Presidents Commission need to report by the end of the semester. New senators please meet with me after this meeting so I can get the phonetic spelling of your names.

Parliamentarian – Later in this meeting we will be tabling a motion, why do we do this? We set it aside to consider at a later time, we encourage the student body to attend two open forums to discuss the amendments to our constitution. We also have a bunch of clubs being approved this evening, that will also be presented as a report this week

Speaker – Weekly reminder to submit office units every Sunday, please attend your assigned committee. If there's a conflict, please email VP Sennett! Open communication is key! Shoutout to Senator Zaveri for doing a rock solid job!

Commission Reports:

Rock of the Week: Chloe Ecklund

VP Pavlicko: I picked this person because they are generally a rockstar all around!

Open Forum:

Senator Zaveri: I HAVE TWO THINGS TO SAY. This week is International education week please come support. Also, along with the international club I will be meeting with Dr. Riley to discuss concerns with the Global Engagement Office if anyone has any concerns please let me know.

Senator Beatty: Transfer meetings are still going on, you all will be the first to know when that happens. I was informed of the pillar two meeting, we are leaning towards student focus groups, stay tuned for that info. Pillar two is commitment to academic discovery and growth, if you have any concerns or complaints, please let me know!

Senator E. Williams: If anyone's looking for volunteer hours, my sorority is hosting a philanthropy event on March 6th!

Senator Zaveri: I forgot to mention I sit on a cultural enrichment committee, and we will be sending out a form soon, check your email, and fill out that form!

Old Business:

New Business:

Motion #1: I move to approve the minutes from the February 10th, 2025 meeting.

First – Senator Ecklund

Second – Senator Carbone

Senator Carbone: I move to approve the Rules and Policies Report as read.

Second- Corbin

Carbone: Rules and Policies Committee did a lot of great work on this report and its quite solid.

Motion Passes

Motion #2: I motion to amend the Constitution and Bylaws of the SRGSA as read.

First- Senator Ogoruec

Second – VP Pavlicko

Senator Beatty: I just had a point of information regarding the wording of Diversity Events, it states that Senators must complete two Diversity events in addition to the supplemental one during Informal. Its somewhere in general senator duties, if you “Control F” on the document it’s the third one.

Wendy Lietera: Thank you Kevin, that is something we’d want to bring to one of the open forums or submit as an amendment.

Parliemntarian Czerniewski: Sorry for the delay, its in addition yes, so two outside of the

Senator: Okay, I believed it to be one per semester sorry for the confusion.

Senator Starkey: I move to approve the Finance Report as read.

Second- Senator Freilino

Motion Passes

VP Johnston: I move to approve the SRSGA Election timeline for Spring 2025

Second- VP Pavliko

Parliamentarian Czerniewski: I just wanted to clarify you can make motions outside of our formal agenda

Motion Passes

APSCUF Report:

Dr. Shotwell: I just wanted to follow up with what I said this semester, don’t coast into Spring break, study hard now so you can all enjoy yourselves.

Advisor Reports:

Patrick Beswick: A couple of the VP’s are having issues with senators not responding to VP emails, please respond to those. Have a great spring break, the Pride Center has condoms and you are all entitled to them.

Wendy Lietera: The SRSGA Board of Directors meeting is this Thursday, we have an open spot coming up at the end of the semester. Have a great spring break!

Adjournment:

Senator Zaveri I move to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 pm
Second- A. Williams

Parliamentarian Czerniewski: Thursday room 323 at common hour, and march 6th same place same time. Please attend. To senator Beatty's question, we will be answering those types of questions there.