



STUDENT GOVERNMENT SENATE

MEETING MINUTES

Day 09-05--2025 | 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting Called to order at 02:09 PM Ana Paolini Carrano, Vice President

Senate Roll Call

Mike Hibbard, Director of Operations

- **Present:**
- **Absent:**
- **Excused:**
- **N/A:**

Approval of Meeting Agenda 09/05/2025

Motioned By: VP

So Moved: Tech

Seconded: SOIS

Yes: 17

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Vote Passed

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes 08/29/2025

Motioned by: VP

So Moved: Pres

Seconded: GCCIS

Yes: 17

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Vote Passed

Special Recognitions:

None

Speak to the Senate:

None

PRESENTATIONS

None

REPORTS

Senator Reports:

- X-REG
 - Tabling standing for the sept 22nd for the cross-registered activities board
- SCB
 - Had our first executive board meeting today, scheduled Career Fair prep week Sept 29th - Oct 3rd.

Committee Reports:

- H & D
 - The first committee meeting today went really well! Discussed Sol's Underground & Commons. News coming on online ordering and new meal plan options. Faculty on Halal & Out being a full on campus visiting chef and Jefferson complex dryers.

RSO Reports:

- n/a

Cabinet Reports:

- Marketing
 - A form will be sent out to schedule headshots if you did not get one! For those with headshots, please react to the slack message and select the photo you want to use for the website
- Tech
 - Any Website updates need, please Slack Alex Kilroy

Pres/VP Reports:

- Pres
 - Great job getting into the role! Finishing up administrative work and will start to share our projects for the year soon!

Advisor Reports:

- Faculty Senate
 - Please communicate with your professors if you are failing behind!!

Staff Council/Faculty Senate Reports:

- Courtney
 - Everyone should have access to email and swipe access, submitted work orders for newly appointed members. If you have any issues please let Courtney know!

External Committee Reports:

- N/A

OLD BUSINESS

PawPrints

Rafael Gilboa, President

- Push for a 24/7 Study Center on Campus
 - **President motions to charge to Academics & Co-ops**
 - Seconded: Grad
 - Discussion on Motion: why academics & co-op instead of FPaTS, because FPaTS mainly works with FMS who delegate spaces not manage it.
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 16
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 1
 - **Charged to Academics & Co-ops**
 - Discussion on PawPrint:
 - ACA: Golisano & Saunders have open study spaces
 - SOIS: We should communicate that Golisano and Saunders are open late
 - COLA: May be an issue of communication, had issues of being kicked out of spaces late at night even though they are open past that time
- I.C.E University Wide Alert System
 - **President motions to charge to Student Affairs**
 - Seconded: SCB
 - Discussion on Motion:
 - GU: Who will be working on this if we do not have a SA chair?
 - DSR will lead this pawprint
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 17
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
 - **Charged to Student Affairs**
 - Discussion on PawPrint:
 - ACA: There have been unofficial reports that cause stress for students, how do we ensure the reports are true?
 - ISS currently has a report-like system for students who are on the newsletter
 - KGOE: We need a reassurance that students are safe at school
 - GU: ISS will be brought in to assist with this pawprint. There is some concern with F1 students who have a 5-year program as they are currently only supported for 4 years.
 - X-REG: How should we communicate to students?
 - SOIS: We should ensure that all students are aware of ICE on campus, not select
 - GLC: A record keeping system should be used to label cars, locations visited, etc
- Shuttle to Train Station and Airport
 - **President motions to charge to FPaTS**

- Seconded: OUTSpoken
 - Discussion on Charge: N/A
- Vote:
 - Yes: 17
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
- **Charged to FPaTs**
 - Discussion on PawPrint:
 - COLA: There use to be a system in the past which costs \$5 and there would be a bus that stops at Gracie's to take students to these places
 - Operations: The bus was used to get students to other states close by, we never had a shuttle that would bring students to these locations
 - KGCOE: Someone stopped by and asked if we have a system like this in place, we could maybe have a sign-up sheet for students who are interested in this.
- Reopen the ramp between Gosnell hall and Wallace Library
 - **President motions to charge to FPaTs**
 - Seconded: Tech
 - Discussion on Charge:
 - X-REG Maybe you can also include accessibility committee
 - Access Comm: In discussions with DSR, we felt this pawprint should be assigned to FPaTs, since the content in the PawPrint is more related to facility issues.
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 16
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 1
 - **Charged to FPaTs**
 - Discussion on PawPrint:
 - Pres: At least see a sign
 - Collab&Inclu: Think it's a good idea for FPaTs/Accessibility
 - Access: Why was it closed?
 - KGCOE: Closed due to the SHED construction
 - Ops: Gates are usually closed during the winter, but open during the summer
- Disband RIT College Republicans, Now.
 - **President motions to charge to Student Affairs**
 - Seconded: OUT
 - Discussion on Charge: n/a
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 16
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 1
 - **Charged to Student Affairs**
 - Discussion on PawPrint:
 - OUTSpoken: A lot of the reddit posts they were making were transphobic/homophobic which you can be conservative without making those comments

- SOIS: Clubs and orgs follow bylaws, we cannot disband a group
 - ACA: Clubs and orgs have bylaws, we can bring in the TigerSuite to the issue
- Support RIT Students' Lawsuit Against the Trump Administration
 - **President motions to charge to Student Affairs**
 - Seconded: OUTSpoken
 - Discussion on Motion: n/a
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 16
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
 - **Charged to Student Affairs**
 - Discussion on PawPrint:
 - Pres: A lot of issues are revolved around communication so it should be a priority
 - OUTSpoken: Past concerns on why RIT isn't vocal
 - KGCOE: We may get a lot of backlash as a whole
- Stop RIT's AI Image Generation & AMP; Usage
 - **President motions to charge to Student Affairs**
 - Seconded: Tech
 - Discussion on the motion: n/a
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 17
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
 - **Charged to Student Affairs**
 - Discussion on PawPrint:
 - Pres: I don't think it should be RIT external/internal promotional material/communication
 - Tech: Marketing now has an internal policy on usage of AI for marketing materials, so just going back on the PawPrint to respond
 - ACA: This specific PawPrint was referencing a video on how to use AI to generate videos, with that I don't disagree with the usage in that sense since it wasn't official promotional material
 - GCCIS: We should communicate options for offices to use student workers instead of AI for promotional
- Keep Dining Commons Open
 - **President motions to charge to Housing & Dining**
 - Seconded: Marketing
 - Discussion on Charge: N/a
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 17
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
 - **Charged to Housing & Dining**
 - Discussion on PawPrint:
 - GCCIS: Were employees told beforehand about the closure?
 - OUTSpoken: Employees were told they were going to keep their jobs

- X-REG
 - We would like the seating be added back as that space was great for students to hang and meet new
- Commons Cannot Be Closed for Good
 - **President motions to charge to Housing & Dining**
 - Seconded: Marketing
 - Discussion on Charge: n/a
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 17
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
 - **Charged to Housing & Dining**
 - Discussion on PawPrint:
 - Same as previous

NEW BUSINESS

Appointments

- Standards Board Membership
 - Handles impeachments and recalls of Senators and Cabinet Members. RSO members (non leadership) are selected plus 1 non-voting SG member.
 - GU: Mobassirul Karim Faraz
 - OUTSpoken: Emily Lu
 - GLC: Brandon Hernandez
 - ACA: Onvida Serixay
 - SAAC: Sarah Poleck
 - Nominations
 - Collab&Inc Nominates Tech (declines)
 - Tech Nominates Mike Hibbard (Dir. Of Operations)
 - Ops: Would like to chair, can separate himself from the issue and put aware personal feelings aside
 - **Mike Hibbard will be the Standards Board Chair for this year**

PawPrints

Rafael Gilboa,

- Protect RIT Students from ICE targeting
 - **DSR motions to charge to Student Affairs**
 - Seconded: CAD Senator
 - Discussion on Motion: n/a
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 17
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
 - **Charged to Student Affairs**
 - Discussion on Pawprint: N/A
- Put a toy train going around the ceiling of the SHED
 - **President motions to charge to Student Affairs**
 - Seconded: Tech

- Discussion on Motion:
 - GCCIS: Why not FPATS?
 - DSR: A similar PawPrint has already been in Student Affairs previously and it would be good to keep it in that space
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 17
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
 - **Charged to Student Affairs**
 - Discussion on Pawprint:
 - OUTSpoken: Would the SHED be closed for this?
 - Tech: Not feasible with the engineering and cost, Investigate the current status of the project and see if the makerspace is available
- Enable Biometrics for duo MFA
 - **DSR motions to charge to Student Affairs**
 - Seconded: CAD
 - Discussion on Motion:
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 14
 - No: 1
 - Abstain: 2
 - **Charged to Student Affairs**
 - Discussion on Pawprint
 - Pres: I think we should explore more options
 - Collab&Inc: I agree with president, I think we should include tech services
 - Ops: Do we know if Duo can do bio metrics
 - ACA: Yes I used it with my icloud at one point
- Make Contraception distribution containers more secure
 - **DSR motions to charge to Well-Being**
 - Seconded: Grad
 - Discussion on Motion:
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 17
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
 - **Charged to Well-being**
 - Discussion on Pawprint
 - KGCOE: I heard people are putting pins into the condoms so we need to ensure they are effective
 - ACA: The bathrooms in SAU have secure period product dispensers so we could look into using those
 - Pres: We should put signs up to encourage students to visit the health center to receive these items
 - SOIS: I think this signage is already up
- Make Syllabi available before enrollment
 - **DSR motions to charge to Academic and Co-ops**
 - Seconded: SOIS
 - Discussion on Motion:

- Vote:
 - Yes: 16
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 1
- **Charged to Academic & Co-ops**
 - GCCIS
 - How feasible is this? Professors usually work on changes for syllabi
 - COLA
 - Make course resources available before signing up so students know the expected costs
- Allow access to classrooms when not in use (Again!)
 - **DSR motions to charge to FPaTS**
 - Seconded: CET
 - Discussion on Motion:
 - Collab&Incl: Are the spaces owned by the building or by the colleges?
 - DSR: Depends on the building
 - FPaTs: Why should this go to FPaTS if the 24 hour study space was given to Academics and Co-ops?
 - Collab&Incl: Nicole?
 - Nicole: It leans academics and co-ops
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 2
 - No: 8
 - Abstain: 3
 - Vote to charge to Academic & Co-ops
 - Discussion on motion
 - Yes: 15
 - No:
 - Abstain: 2
 - **Charged to Academic & Co-ops**
 - Discussion on Pawprint
 - Collab&Inc :Combine efforts with 24-hour student study spaces
 - Accessibility: This may also be an accessibility issue because students are being sent across campus to find new spaces instead of the spaces they prefer
- More murals around campus
 - **DSR motions to charge to Student Affairs**
 - Seconded: CHST
 - Discussion on Motion:
 - Pres: Is this not a FPaTS issue?
 - VP: Student Affairs is currently working on a similar pawprint
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 16
 - No:0
 - Abstain: 1
 - **Charged to Student Affairs**
 - Discussion on Pawprint
 - KGCOE: Where would these murals go because we only have brick?
 - VP: We walked the campus with the previous SA chair to find

- spaces for murals. Now apart of a course through Art and Design
 - COLA: We should add opportunities for students to chalk the walls because I think this student wants to see more art-related things around campus
- Part-Time Students should be allowed to work too!
 - **DSR motions to charge to Student Affairs**
 - Seconded: CHST
 - Discussion on Motion:
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 15
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 2
 - **Charged to Student Affairs**
 - Discussion on Pawprint
 - Ops: Academic and Co-ops

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Operations: Fall Retreat is on October 3rd and 4th
- **VP: Next Senate (9/16) DSP-1250!!**
- President: Discussion went well today, Slack and Email should be the primary form of communication for details on pawprints for committee chairs. 9/10 3:00-5:00 PM at Ingle Auditorium is the State of the University event, feel free to show up!!
- Nicole: Use the previous charges as a starting point, and start emails with “I know you have worked with SG on a similar issue” so you can progress the issue forward instead of the same response from faculty
- Courtney: A new SG archive drive was made, connect with Ana or Mike if you need to access files. Please make sure you fill out the campus groups form after completing the EMS training to ensure you get access.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 3:37 PM, “Roll Tech”

Ana Paolini Carrano, Vice President

Minutes Submitted by

Mike Hibbard, Director of Operations