



**THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
SENATE, SIXTH SESSION
MINUTES**

Date: October 14th, 2025

Location: Murray-Aikins Dining Hall, Second Floor

Time: 8:17pm – 9:39 pm

Member	Attendance		Member	Attendance	
	Yes	No		Yes	No
Chair Majiedt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Senator Kostbar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Ararba	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Senator Lederman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Aybar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Senator Lipman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Barnes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Senator Lobron	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Senator Castillo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Senator Shoemaker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Ferrigno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Senator Situ	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Senator King	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Senator Ziek	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Khan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Senator Zhang	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Koegler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

Others in Attendance: Director of Leadership Activities Zach Schwan, SGA Clerk Izzy Bryant

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1. Call to Order at 8:17pm
 2. Invocation

3. Attendance
4. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. Motion by S. Kostbar, seconded by S. Gordon
5. Approval of the prior Minutes
 - a. Motion by S. Taylor, seconded by S. King
6. Open Forum
 - a. The frisbee team presidents attended open forum and invited SGA members to attend a practice on November 19th. There will also be a tournament on November 8th and 9th.
7. Executive Committee Reports
 - a. Presidential Report with SGA President Majiedt
 - i. SGA President Majiedt reported that ExComm discussed the new club proposals and changes to SGA. The re-accreditation process had been discussed. An SGA update will be given at IPCC.
 - b. Executive Vice-Presidential Report with EVP Lobron
 - i. EVP Lobron reported that CO met and is now working on the initiative tracker
 - c. Academic Affairs Report with VPAA Barnes
 - i. VPAA Barnes reported that AC discussed the AI panel and are considered faculty speakers for the first gen symposium.
 - d. Budget and Finance Report with VPFA Castillo
 - i. VPFA Castillo reported that B&F met and endorsed the Game Room Resolution on the Agenda for Senate. About 5% more of program support had been spent compared to this time last year.
 - e. Student Life Report with VPSL Ziek
 - i. VPSL Ziek reported that CSL discussed the residential curriculum and placed a new trash can in Spa.
 - f. Club Affairs Report with VPCA Besikof
 - i. VPCA Besikof reported that she and ADOLA Emily Poole discussed the new club proposals
 - g. Institutional Diversity Report with VPID Lederman
 - i. VPID Lederman reported that there can be no new updates to affinity spaces due to legal issues. New accessible door signs will be put up.
 - h. Engagement and Outreach Report with VPEO Ferrigno
 - i. VPEO Ferrigno reported that she met with a student representative from the Dean of Students' office, EOC has been working on a survey.
8. New Business
 - a. Meet SEC!
 - i. Introduction by SGA President Majiedt and SEC Chair Flamenbaum
 1. SGA Majiedt and Chair Flamenbaum introduced SEC. Chair Flamenbaum stated that SEC is made up of Exec Board, Major events, Campus events, Traditional events,

and Falstaff's. SEC members noted they were responsible for Big Show, apple picking, balloon fest, traditional events, and many more events. Falstaff's Chair Maxwell stated that Falstaff's should be open by the start of next semester.

ii. Q/A Period

1. S. Kostbar asked if SEC is open to new traditional ideas. Chair Flamenbaum stated that new ideas are always welcome but are focusing on Junior Ring/Big Dance. S. Taylor asked what Falstaff's was. Chair Maxwell stated that it is used for small-scale concerts and events. S. Gordon asked how elections work. Chair Flamenbaum explained the nomination process. S. King asked how volunteering worked. Chair Flamenbaum stated anyone can come but there is a core group.

b. Hillel Supplemental Funding Request

i. Introduction by VPFA Castillo

1. VPFA Castillo stated that Hillel asked for \$7,000 due to the price raise of catering for Shabbat dinner. The committee reduced their request to \$4,500, noting that the club can always apply for a supplemental fund. The club representative noted that the budget application they submitted in the spring was based on last year's prices, but the price per person has grown to \$26. Additionally, attendance has increased.

ii. Q/A Period

1. S. Khan asked if cutting down the number of dishes would decrease the price. The club representative stated that they cannot cut down. S. Lederman asked why B&F decided on \$4,500. The committee decided that \$4,500 is an appropriate amount, and the previous \$7,000 request was around 10% of program support.

iii. Discussion Period

1. S. Kostbar stated that he attempts to make it to Shabbat every Friday and is in support. S. Aybar stated that Shabbat is very welcoming, and these events are very consistent. S. Ziek stated that giving a boost is valid, but prioritizing a long-term solution is very important.

iv. Roll-call vote

Motion by S. Kostbar, seconded by S. Ziek

Member	Hillel Budget Request		Member	Hillel Budget Request	
	Yes	No		Yes	No

			Senator Kostbar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Ararba	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Senator Lederman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Aybar	Abstain		Senator Lipman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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c. Resolution 36-06: Game Room Restructuring Resolution

i. Introduction by VPSL Ziek

1. VPSL Ziek introduced the Resolution. S. Ziek stated that the Saratoga Game Room is an overlooked space on campus. This Resolution requests new couches for a total of \$4,000.

ii. Q/A Period

1. Motion for non-Senators to speak by S. Kostbar, seconded by S. Nwosu.
2. S. Kostbar asked if there is money in the budget. DOLA Schwan answered that there is for game room maintenance. S. Lederman asked who originally bought the couches 15 years ago. S. Ziek was unsure. S. Glanville asked about the durability of the couches. S. Ziek noted that the company was the same as Falstaff's.

iii. Discussion Period

1. S. Sterling was in support. S. Aybar was in support. S. Khan was in support. S. Aybar noted the money would come from retained earnings. S. Lederman was in support.

iv. Roll-call vote

1. Motion by S. Gordon, seconded by S. Taylor

Member	Resolution 36-06		Member	Resolution 36-06	
	Yes	No		Yes	No
			Senator Kostbar	Abstain	
Senator Ararba	Abstain		Senator Lederman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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9. Senators Forum

- a. S. Lobron presented the Initiative Tracker which would help Senators know what was occurring in other committees. The tracker includes relevant information, dates, and contact information for current, cancelled, and complete projects. S. Kostbar asked for a demonstration. S. Situ asked to consider adding subcommittees under the drop-down menu. S. Ferrigno asked if access will be given to everyone. S. Lobron stated it will be updated during Senate. S. Aybar asked why ExComm wasn't discussing all committee initiatives in their meetings. S. Lobron stated that there would be a bit of a time crunch, and the tracker was intended to help all Senators, not just ExComm members. S. King asked if they should be SGA related. S. Lobron noted just SGA initiatives. C. Majiedt asked the committee to consider the time the tracker would take. S. Ziek noted the importance of condensing/making student population aware of current projects. S. Ferrigno noted that VP work is often more behind the scenes, and the initiative tracker seemed beneficial. S. Khan asked why only a few people have access. S. Lobron stated it seemed like the most streamlined and organized approach. S. Barnes noted that it may take a very long time.
- b. S. Ziek stated that he is very proud to be a part of Senate but is hearing a lot of gossip outside of Senate. C. Majiedt stated that she has heard a lot of misinformation and confidential matters being spread outside of SGA and noted that anything said about SGA reflects individuals. S. Ziek noted the importance of stating any concerns directly to individuals.
- c. S. Lobron noted there are many water fountains on red. S. Ziek noted that he is working on them. S. Nwosu wondered if re-using a poster would work.
- d. S. Besikof stated that she will be stepping down from her position. C. Majiedt noted the incredible work S. Besikof has put in over the years. C. Majiedt stated that ExComm has been notified, as well as campus partners. An Interim VPCA will be found until the winter election.

- e. S. Kostbar noted the Student Activity Fee project is still going on and provided updates

10. Announcements

- a. S. Situ stated that the Green Grant application is open

11. Adjourn at 9:39pm

- a. Motion by S. Gordon, seconded by S. Khan