



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

Date: October 28th, 2025

Location: Murray-Aikins Dining Hall, Second Floor

Time: 8:03 pm – 9:28 pm

| Member | Attendance | | Member | Attendance | |
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| | 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 type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" 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"/> |
| Senator Bigelow | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Senator Nambane | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Senator Castillo | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Senator Nwosu | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Senator Ferrigno | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Senator Shoemaker | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Senator Glanville | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Senator Situ | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Senator Glogov | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Senator Sterling | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Senator Gordon | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Senator Taylor | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Senator King | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Senator Terry | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Senator Khan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Senator Ziek | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Senator Koegler | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Senator Zhang | <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 8:03pm
 2. Invocation
 3. Attendance
 4. Approval of the Agenda

- a. Motion by S. Lipman, seconded by S. Gordon
- 5. Approval of the prior Minutes
 - a. Motion by S. Taylor, seconded by S. Glanville
- 6. Open Forum
 - a. Open Forum attendees from Skidmore Democrats came to discuss the recent cancellation of CDTA route 452 which must cut operational costs to not be operating at a deficit. The cancellation was determined by ridership levels and will be replaced by a “Flex Transportation” system. There will be 2 transport vans. The new transportation will not offer transportation to the Wilton Mall or parts of SPAC. It was also mentioned that the new system will likely be very inaccessible for people who rely on it.
- 7. Executive Committee Reports
 - a. Presidential Report with SGA President Majiedt
 - i. SGA President Majiedt reported that she met with Dean Bautista. ExComm met to discuss a resolution, CDTA concerns, and programming for the remainder of the semester. President Majiedt will be meeting with President Connor tomorrow. There will be a resolution regarding club affairs discussed.
 - b. Executive Vice-Presidential Report with EVP Lobron
 - i. EVP Lobron reported that CO had a meeting to discuss their projects for remainder of the semester, such as an end-of-senate gathering and class-specific programming.
 - c. Academic Affairs Report with VPAA Barnes
 - i. VPAA Barnes reported that she met with the first-gen working group to discuss the symposium. AC has been preparing for the symposium. The AI panel has been coming along well.
 - d. Budget and Finance Report with VPFA Castillo
 - i. S. Lipman reported that B&F had a meeting to discuss what sort of information may be confidential. 15% of program support had been spent compared to 4% at this time last year. The increase in spending was reported to be attributed to a raise in the price of dining services.
 - e. Student Life Report with VPSL Ziek
 - i. VPSL Ziek reported that CSL met on Sunday and groups were divided to bring change to various spaces on campus. Votes for Thanksgiving break transportation were received.
 - f. Institutional Diversity Report with VPID Lederman
 - i. S. Nwosu reported that the Bias Response Group met. VPID Lederman attended the OSDI club council to discuss CID’s role on campus.
 - g. Engagement and Outreach Report with VPEO Ferrigno

- i. VPEO Ferrigno reported that EOC had been focusing on the feedback survey.

8. New Business

a. Resolution 36-09: Club E-Board Officer Update Act

i. Introduction by SGA President Majiedt

1. C. Majiedt introduced that there was a current E-board member holding a position while abroad. The resolution would require all current abroad E-board members to resign.

ii. Q/A Period

1. S. Lipman asked if this had happened before. C. Majiedt answered it had not. S. Khan stated that it would be unfair to remove someone from their position in the middle of the semester. C. Majiedt noted that the resolution was proposed very far in advance, and the officer was made aware. S. Nwosu asked if the officer was staying on top of E-board duties while abroad. C. Majiedt answered that they did, but it would likely be an exception. S. King asked if the officer could run again once they return. C. Majiedt noted it would depend on the club's election process. S. Kostbar asked if someone going abroad in the spring could run for a yearlong position. C. Majiedt responded that they cannot.

iii. Discussion Period

1. S. Kostbar stated that it may be better to change point 3 to state one semester instead of one year. S. Nwosu noted that someone sat on the E-board for a club when they were abroad and they held their weight. S. Khan supported the resolution but disagreed with removing the individual in the middle of the semester. S. King noted she agreed with S. Khan on the timing but believed that physical presence was very important. S. Lobron was in favor, but wanted to specifically note that a student could run for E-board while abroad as long as they were present for their term. S. Bigelow noted that she had a good experience being the president of a club while abroad and would depend on the club. S. Shoemaker noted that it would be important for an officer to be physically present to handle situations that may arise.

iv. Roll-call vote

1. Motion by S. Lobron to table, seconded by S. Lipman
2. Motion approved

b. Introduction of Resolution 36-10 (5-10 minutes)

i. Introduction by SGA President Majiedt

1. The resolution would create an award in honor of Kris Leggiero to be given to a staff/faculty member to recognize distinguished service.

ii. Q/A Period

1. S. Shoemaker asked if it would be the first award to a non-student. C. Majiedt answered that it would. S. Aybar asked if there would be a prize. There would not. S. Kostbar stated that ExComm could take into account who had previously won. S. Ferrigno stated that potentially it could be so that someone could only win once. S. Shoemaker asked if Kris Leggiero could receive this award.

c. Middle States Commission on Higher Education(MSCHE) Accreditation Feedback (<15 minutes)

i. Introduction by SGA President Majiedt

1. C. Majiedt stated that in the re-accreditation process, the college has to put together a self-study.

ii. Q/A Period

1. S. Kostbar asked why Senate time is used when there is not fear of a lack of reaccreditation. C. Majiedt stated that SGA had been asked to provide feedback. S. Glanville noted that she believed that it was important to provide feedback.

iii. Feedback form completion and feedback sharing

d. Engagement and Outreach Survey Completion (5-10 minutes)

i. Introduction by VPEO Ferrigno

1. S. Ferrigno stated that EOC wanted feedback from the student body to improve student engagement.

ii. Q/A Period

iii. Feedback Form Completion

9. Senators Forum

- a. S. Shoemaker noted that there has been no information about the accessibility of the new Flex van system and was concerned that the college wasn't involved in the cancellation decision. S. Gordon noted that the elders in the community should be considered. S. Ferrigno stated that this issue is important to the student body and believed SGA should show support despite the limited impact SGA could have on this subject. C. Majiedt noted that ExComm discussed the importance of listening to Skidmore students while staying within the boundaries of SGA. S. Aybar noted that the late-night Thursday Saturday routes will still run and that this is a wider Saratoga issue and wanted to make sure Skidmore is still connected to the wider community. S. Glanville noted that many Skidmore students don't vote in Saratoga. S. Koegler asked about the new hours.

- b. S. Lobron mentioned that the SGA office booking can be selected on Outlook Calendar.
- c. S. Shoemaker stated the ADA subcommittee is working to get an on-campus transit system up and running

10. Announcements

- a. S. Ferrigno announced pack the rink and volleyball stable game this weekend.
- b. S. Nwosu announced there is an upcoming jazz event with AHA, Ujima, and Lively Lucy's and all proceeds go to the Frederick Allen lodge.

11. Adjourn

- a. Motion by S. Gordon, seconded by S. Taylor at 9:28 p.m.