THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
37TH SENATE, SECOND SESSION
AGENDA

Date: 9/22/2026
Location: Murray-Aikins Dining Hall, Second Floor
Time: 8:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Member	Attendance		**Member**	Attendance	
	Yes	No		Yes	No
Chair Kostbar	☐	☐	Senator O'Brien Y	☐	☐
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Senator Kokas Y	☐	☐	Senator Zheng Y	☐	☐
Senator Minkah Y	☐	☐	Senator Zhou Y	☐	☐
Senator Nwosu Y	☐	☐	Senator Ziek Y	☐	☐

Others in Attendance: Director of Leadership Activities Zach Schwan, SGA Clerk Mamadou Dia, Milo Bisagier

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1. Call to Order
    a. Call to Order at 8:11pm
2. Invocation
3. Attendance
4. Approval of the Agenda
    a. Motion to amend the agenda to add 8.a.i SGA Presidential Nomination of CID Subcommittee on ADA Chair Milo Bisgaier & 8.a.ii Presidential

Nomination Committee on Educational Policies and Planning Nomination of by S. Minkah seconded by S. Shoemaker

b. Motion by S. Sterling seconded by S. Zheng to approve the agenda.

5. Approval of the prior Minutes (9/15/2026)
    a. Motion by S. Nwosu seconded by S.Thomson to approve the prior minutes.
6. Open Forum
7. Executive Committee Reports
    a. Presidential Report with SGA President Kostbar
        i. Made an agenda for meeting with President Mark C. Conner and Dean Bautista
        ii. Ex-Comm met with presidents of ISU and talked about next steps forward for international students in regard to changes in policy affecting international students
        iii. Been doing outreach to different branches for SGA for the group photo and to have them introduce themselves to Senate
    b. Executive Vice President Report with EVP Terry
        i. Met with Student Athlete Advising Committee (SAAC) to talk about issues with Student Athletes
        ii. Finalizing outreach with Pitney Meadows Community Farm hopefully for Saturday Morning
    c. Academic Affairs Report with VPAA Sterling
        i. Course Evaluation forms will be online this fall
        ii. First Gen Symposium planned for November 14th 3-5pm at the Surrey Inn
        iii. Meeting with Natalie Taylor to discuss international regulations and how they affect international students
        iv. Textbook affordability issue brought to attention and currently being worked on
    d. Budget and Finance Report with VPFA Khan
        i. Successful club training this Saturday
        ii. BNF met this Monday and announced their Vice Chair Nana Kwame Minkah
        iii. IPPC this Friday
        iv. Reviewed budgets for (SCEMS)
    e. Student Life Report with VPSL Ziek
        i. Planning meeting for this Thursday
        ii. Working on Food Pantry situation, regional food pantry got back to us so possible partnership
    f. Club Affairs Report with VPCA Castillo

i. This Saturday club training happened, overview of form and the trial period
ii. Form closes on Thursday but the only people who received it are the people who showed up to the info session
iii. Planning to review club Forms on Thursday and hopefully in 2-3 weeks trial clubs will be announced

g. Institutional Diversity Report with VPID Nwosu
i. CID had its first meeting this Sunday from 6-7pm, affinity space was discussed and how that would look like
ii. Invited interested Willingness to Serve members
iii. Was informed on previous projects and initiatives from last year

h. Engagement and Outreach Report with VPEO Shoemaker
i. First meeting last Wednesday, the theme for next week is picking out new SGA merch
ii. Sent a written version of feedback pertaining to the Diversity Statement
iii. Currently checking for gaps in cross community communications which may need to be packed up
iv. Started the writing process on a couple of resolutions
v. Ordered new EXPO markers and erasers for the SGA Office
vi. Started conversations with Dan Rodecker from Facilities for plans to install skylight tablet and remedy SGA entrance door situations to hopefully be more accessible

8. New Business
a. SGA Presidential Nomination
i. CID Subcommittee on ADA Chair: Milo Bisgaier
1. Introduction by Chair Kostbar
a. The previous chair could not remain in the role leaving Subcommittee on ADA Chair empty
b. There is no better person for the role than Milo Bisgaier; he has been the vice chair on the ADA subcommittee for as long as it's been chaired, taken the minutes for the meeting and was a part of all projects that ADASC has done. Self-declared major in Accessibility Studies, has prior experience and a winning smile
2. Q/A Period
a. Q: S. Castillo asks if he has prior positions chairing student groups before his time at Skidmore

A: Has not had prior experience all though he has been a part of a couple E-Boards and has a lot of experience as being Vice Chair

b. Q: S. Nwosu will you have the time to also collaborate with CID which is a part of the role
A: He will be able to collaborate, in fact he has reworked his schedule to accommodate that

c. Q: S. Sterling asks if he has any initiatives, he would be excited to work on
A: There has been an accessible map made for touring, and he is looking to continue working on that, updating it

3. Discussion Period
    a. S. Khan is in full support of this nomination he has worked closely with Milo on the ADA subcommittee and has seen his passion and thinks he is the right person of the job
    b. S. Shoemaker thinks it's finally time for Milo to take a heavier role in SGA and knows this decision has been made with grace and care
4. Roll-Call Vote
    a. Motion to roll-call vote by S. Crespo-Hernandez seconded by S. Khan

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Senator Nwosu Y	☐	☐	Senator Ziek A	☐	☐

ii. Committee on Educational Policies and Planning: Leo Thomson
1. Introduction by Chair Kostbar
    a. This is the first use of the Class President Role Reform Act as Leo is the Junior Class President

b. This is also a great chance for Leo to get experience in leadership
c. Leo is very interested in educational policy reform and is excited to be up for the role of the position

2. Q/A Period
    a. Q: S. Zheng asks for a brief summary of what exactly Leo Thomsen's role would be
    A: Leo has been nominated for an all-college committee role for Educational Planning and Policies
    b. Q: S. Nwosu asks if there are any initiatives he is looking forward to doing
    c. A: Leo answers that he was just contacted today about this and is planning to be more prepared and do more research
3. Discussion Period
    a. S. Sterling was thrilled about Leo's nomination to the committee and CEPP is a very faculty heavy
    b. S. Kokas agrees he knows Leo to be a very hardworking and qualified candidate
    c. S. Minkah is also in
4. Roll-Call Vote
    a. Motion for Roll call vote by S. Zheng seconded by S. Kokas

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b. Resolution 37-04: Grammar and Formatting Correction Act
    i. Introduction by Chair Kostbar

1. A blanket act to correct some grammar and formatting within the Bylaws and Rules of Procedure

ii. Q/A Period
1. Q: S. Thomson notes that a section looks like something has been added to it and was questioning the reason
A: A clarification has been added to Section 222 for the sake of matching the convention standard set of the US Government

iii. Discussion Period

iv. Roll-Call Vote
1. Motion for roll-call vote by S. Sterling seconded by S. Shoemaker

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c. Resolution 37-05: SGA Communications Policies and Procedures Act

i. Introduction by Chair Kostbar
1. SGA communication policies have always been outside of SGA's governing documents and was approved during the summer of the 35th senate (2024) by Ex-Comm
2. President Kostbar believes these policies and procedures should be a part of governing documents and believes this is an opportune time to gather opinions for the sake of correction and additions on some policies and procedures

ii. Q/A Period
1. Q: S. Nwosu asks regarding the poster policy would it be possible to reach out to previous SGA Presidents to find where it may have been misplaced
A: That would be a good idea, C. Kostbar will get on that

2. Q: S. Shoemaker asks if this is something that should be voted on today
   A: This was more brought up as a point of discussion and was something that should be tabled for further discussions
3. Q: S. Kwama asks about a possible typo in section 1001.1 entities effected by the policy
   A: Noted
4. Q: S. Shoemaker is curious as to why there should be no SGA subcommittee social media's which is a part of section 1002.8 has the aspect of this been revisited
   A: This has not been revisited yet and is worth revisiting
5. Q: Khan is wondering about 1001.7 referring to plagiarism and is curious to how this would be enforced and what would the penalty be
   A: If a rule set in the Bylaws is violated that would become a case for a Judicial Board

iii. Discussion Period

1. S. Kwame is wondering if this is binding or not, in terms of whether senators should have social media or not it's an interesting question and believes that Senators should be allowed to have social media accounts
2. S. Crespo Hernandez agrees with S. Kwame regarding SGA Senators having their own social media accounts. She believes this is beneficial to engagement and allows for better outreach
3. S. Koeglar thinks it's very interesting to consider the up-and-coming Senators and how this would affect campaigners. It is also interesting to think about how it would affect people who are currently in SGA and how would they be able to use these accounts if running for a current position
4. S. Shoemaker believes that in the instance brought up by S. Koegler, it would make sense for those SGA members to create a new account. Also, note this policy is separate from campaigning policy which is a parallel issue but not the same exact issue. He adds that from a marketing perspective, it is advantageous to have social media accounts connected to SGA. As public figures of SGA it brings up an important point of how public communication doesn't stop outside of social media so while letting SGA

members all having an account may be risky but is not less risky

5. S. Thomson asks for a point of clarification about a hypothetical scenario discussed above which was once again clarified

iv. Roll-Call Vote

1. Motion to table roll-call vote indefinitely by S. Minkah seconded by S. Shoemaker

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d. Mentorship Program

i. Introduction

1. The SGA mentorship program, for those who do not know, is for senators and class presidents who have not previously served a semester on SGA will be paired with a mentor for the semester to hopefully help them learn the ropes and support them
2. The mentor must share at least one committee with each mentee
3. Mentors must either be a part of Ex-Comm or at least have served 2 semesters as a member of SGA, mentors can have at least 2 mentees
4. Immediately following this meeting an email will be sent out to all members of Senate regarding who is interested in being a mentor
5. Also, all mentors and mentees need to meet at least twice during each semester

ii. Q/A Period

1. Q: S. Thomson asks for clarification on the exact requirements of being a mentor, specifically if mentors must currently be a senator
   A: Unsure of the part of whether they need to be a current member of senate, but they must have served at least 2 terms, and it is up to President Kostbar and Zack Schwans decision
2. Q: S. O'Brien asks if in the email going to all senators can the new bylaws be included
   A: Yes, good idea

9. Senators Forum
10. Announcements
    a. Elections Information
        i. Speech Night: Wednesday, September 23rd at 8:00 p.m., in Gannet Auditorium, President Kostbar is requesting that senators please show up for speech night as it would mean a lot
        ii. Voting: Thursday, September 24th at 12:01 a.m. to Friday, September 25th at 11:59 p.m. via SkidSync
        iii. S. Sterling had someone come to Academic Council who sits on the Decolonization and Indigenization Board and they are looking for more members
            1. S. shoemaker clarifies they get a lot done via email and have a meetings occasionally, where stuff does get done
        iv. This Friday September 25th is the arts quad party from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in front of the JKB (the fields near Zankel)
11. Adjourn
    a. On motion of S. Minkah, seconded by S.Khan to adjourn at 9:23 p.m.