I. Call to Order
   - See “Senate Attendance Fall ‘23” for Opening Roll: Senate Attendance Fall '23.xlsx

II. Approval of Minutes

III. Public Comment
   - Foster wants to inform the Senate Body about Party of Liberty and Socialism is providing subsidized tickets to travel to Washington D.C. on buses to protest the Palestine/Israel conflict.
   - SUNY system retained help from the RPK consulting firm who's made severe cuts from their liberal arts programs. Refers to West Virginia University and Kansas State University. SUNY Potsdam is suffering a loss of 24 departments. SUNY Erie is also facing a loss of several departments due to RPK consulting’s involvement.
   - Asks the university to divulge exactly the extent of RPK Consulting’s involvement.
   - Eliza ____ wants the body to know that Five Quad is a free service and won’t bill students. Calls from Indigenous Quad will come along and be billed by a paramedic from Guilderland EMS.
   - Foster requests that the Senate Body ask President Rodriguez about ADL (Anti-Defamation League) concerns.

IV. Campus Climate Discussion
   - Sen. Goldsmith has comments from the Parking & Mass Transit Department regarding complaints from constituents. Will be expanding electronic vehicle chargers. Encourages students not to park in handicap parking if you are not supposed to.
   - Sen. Klein is not considerate of Palestinian and Jewish hate. Wants everyone to be cautious about hate on campus.
   - Nick Feldman encourages the body to vote and attended the President’s University address and wasn’t satisfied with the administration’s communication with the student body about the merger.
   - Sen. Rennard went to the protest hosted by the Graduate Student Association and was disappointed by the President’s address. She was disappointed that the administration
is deciding on merging two schools into a nursing school due to lack of communication with the body.

- Sen. Khan reiterates that this campus needs to have more compassion towards Muslim and Jewish students.
- Sen. Tariq raises concerns about wearing hijabs on campus and is upset that safety is not prioritized on this public campus. There are no security cameras in one of the parking lots.
- Sen. Gonzalez is disappointed with campus safety and wants the school to educate students about respectful language and sensitivity. Shares personal experiences with disrespect from other students on campus.
- Sen. Smith encourages faculty to listen to the students’ concerns. Echos other senators.
- Sen. Chen echos fellow senators that she thought about transferring schools. Called upon higher administrators to do Africana Studies & Latin American studies some justice.
- Caleb Sapp emphasizes the fraud and hypocrisy behind the university’s statements on diversity and inclusion due to the lack of advertising and marketing behind the Africana studies and Latin American studies.
- Sen. Klein is planning on delivering a letter to the FOIL office.

V. Opening Remarks
- Sen. McGrath, Chair of the Senate
  o Encourages new senators to have opinions on legislation, whether in the affirmative or negative.
  o Bylaws have been updated.
  o Office Hours are changing – as follows:
- Sen. Sarah Jamil, Vice Chair of the Senate
  o Shares news of the first Collaboration Convention.
  o Working on advertising the Senate Drop Box.

VI. Certificates and Celebrations

VI. Appropriations Agenda

i. S.2324-073 Women in Law New & Unfunded Request
   ○ Women in Law Association is requesting $415.14.
   ○ Sen. Klein moves to vote.
   ○ Sen. Khan makes an objection and asks student leaders what miscellaneous means.
   ○ Sen. Madappatt calls this bill to question.
   ○ This bill passes 36-0-2.

ii. S.2324-074 Pre-Medical Club New & Unfunded Request
   ○ Pre-medical club requesting $500.

iii. S.2324-076 No Confidence.docx
   ○ Sen. Klein introduces Bill 2324-076 to call Carol Kim to resign from her position of Provost.
Sen. Goldsmith expresses agreement, however, doesn’t think calling for resignation should be asked to the body.

Sen. Goldsmith motions to amend the bill to remove Sections 19 and 20 from Bill 2324-076. Sen. Ewumi seconds.

Sen. Klein objects the amendment. Emphasizes that the bill wouldn’t have the same effect without Sections 19 & 20.

Sen. Khan expresses that the President in the room while debating asking for the provost’s resignation is enough.

President Rose calls for the body to decide whether this resolution is a good resolution.

Vice President Crawford expresses that Section 18 is enough as a bill without calling for a resignation.

Sen. Goldsmith reiterates Sen. Khan’s words that this resolution has real-life repercussions. Just wants to condemn Provost Kim’s actions and keep Section 18 in the bill that the body has lost confidence in her.

Comptroller Lisciandro wants the body to continue conversation and that a resignation is the final resort to exhausting all appropriate steps.

Sen. Cooper emphasizes to the senate body that the administration doesn’t seem to want to make any changes and that we have exhausted all appropriate steps.

Sen. Loretti calls not to include Sections 18 & 19 because it is taking a woman’s livelihood who the body doesn’t know fully.

Sen. Goldsmith reiterates that old and new senators might not know the provost and haven’t exhausted all the options.

Sen. Aloyce doesn’t feel comfortable voting on this amendment.

Sen. Cooper deems it pertinent to strike Sections 19 & 20 since most of the body shares their lack of knowledge of the provost or the misdoings of the provost.

Sen. Gonzalez doesn’t think the body knows enough to vote with Sections 19 & 20 on the bill.

Sen. Miller motions to call this amendment to question. Sen. Wheeler seconds.

The amendment to remove Sections 19: **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the Student Association calls on Carol Kim to resign from the position of Provost of the University at Albany, SUNY, and)

& 20: **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the Student Association calls on the University to find a new Provost with input from the Student Association and faculty) passes 31-5-2.

Sen. Khan moves to introduce another amendment (BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Provost attend at least 1 senate meeting and 1 public town hall to address student concerns before the end of the Fall 2023 semester) to Bill 2324-076 for Provost Kim to attend a Senate meeting and a town hall. Passes by unanimous consent.


This motion doesn’t pass 10-25-5. This bill is back in debate.

Sen. Mattupurath wants Provost Kim coming into Senate meeting to be a regularity.

Sen. Klein moves to call this bill into question. Sen. Reifenberg-Stempel seconds.

This bill, with amendments, passes 32-2-4.

VIII. University Reports

- Dwayne Killings, Coach of the UAlbany Men’s Basketball Team
  o Chair McGrath moves for Coach Killings to speak before President Rodriguez. Sen.
  o Coach Killings invites the senate body to take a private tour of the renovated Broadview center.
  o Asking for senate to help create and sustain a better athletic atmosphere
    - Havidan Rodriguez, President of University at Albany, SUNY
  o Appreciates the candor and passion of the Student Association.
  o President Rodriguez emphasizes they have no relation with RPK Consulting and denies those statements during the public comment.
  o Denies receiving letters from the ADL (Anti-Defamation League) about Students for Justice Palestine sending money to Hamas.
  o Denies tuition increases in the university. The last tuition increase was $200 in 2019.
  o Advises senate body to be careful with receiving information and
  o Denies merger between School of Social Welfare and School of Public Health. School of Health Sciences will be a new college including the School of Social Welfare and School of Public Health. Nursing program is preexisting.
  o President Rodriguez proclaims that he said that “higher institutions”, not students, are reluctant to change.
  o College of Nanoscale Science & Engineering merged with College of Engineering & Applied Science.
  o Hired 19/25 faculty members in the College of Artificial Intelligence.
  o Sen. Cooper asks Pres. Rodriguez what will be done about shared governance.
  o Sen. Klein made a motion to put both articles into the minutes. Sen. Goldsmith seconded.
  o Sen. Khan asks the President why he chose his language.
  o Sen. Smith expresses concern about dietary restrictions in dining halls. President Rodriguez wants to meet these concerns. Sen. Smith wants to clarify the quote made by the President at the university address
  o Sen. Zhang asks where the support for the merger is coming from.
  o Sen. Loretti asks why the mast goes at half-mast and why a university-wide email was sent out only after Hamas invaded Israel and picking and choosing which issues to issue statements about.
  o Sen. Aloyce asks why the university picks and chooses issues to make statements on. Expresses concern on conflict in Congo, Sudan, and Northern Africa.
  o Sen. Chen expresses concern about the promotion of Africana studies and Latin American studies and asks President Rodriguez to promote the majors.
Sen. Zhang asks if the administration is using a business model for the merger. Pres. Rodriguez states that if a purely business model was used, both departments would be shut down but that is not the ideal solution because it doesn’t preserve the departments.
- Nathan Blank, Student Assistant for Student Activities and Student Governance

IX. Elections Commission Report
- Anjalee Modasra, Acting Chair of the Elections Commission

X. Committee Reports
- Erin McGrath; Chair of the Executive Committee
- Jalen Miller; Chair of the Committee on Rules and Administration
- Michael Regateiro; Chair of the Subcommittee on Government Operations
- Shane Gardner; Chair of the Committee on Ethics
- James Cooper; Chair of the Committee on Appropriations
- Sidney Wheeler; Chair of the Committee on Community Engagement and Outreach
- Jeremy Zheng; Chair of the Committee on Constituent Relations
- Gina Smith; Chair of the Committee on First-Year Experience

XI. Executive Reports
- Jalen Rose, President
- Amelia Crawford, Vice President
- Caleb Sapp, Director of Marketing and Programming
- Toluwanimi Ademola-Thomas, Director of Intercultural Affairs
- Jed Pacheco, Director of Gender and Sexuality Concerns
- Faith Archer, Director of Student Group Affairs
- Sean Millington, Director of Civic and Community Engagement
- Carmen Munoz, Director of Sustainability
- Mariannie Matos, Director of Academic and Professional Affairs
- Erica Strand, Director of Disability and Health

XII. Judicial Report
- Tolu Anjorin, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court

XIII. Comptroller’s Office Report
- Jason Lisciandro, Comptroller

XIV. Board of Finance Report

XV. Legislative Agenda
i. S.2324-075 Board of Finance Nomination (Chen)
   1. Sen. Blair moved to affirm the Board of Finance Nomination by unanimous consent.

ii. S.2324-053 Senate Session Code of Conduct Reformation Act Updated.docx

iii. S.2324-071 Attendance Bylaw Change
   1. Sen. Klein opposes the 2/3 unless it is a simple majority.
3. Supports the motion to table this bill until next week and calls the objection to question. 

iv. S.2324-078 Board of Finance Appointment.docx

XVI. Old Business
XVII. New Business
XVIII. Closing Remarks
- Sen. McGrath, Chair of the Senate
- Sen. Sarah Jamil, Vice Chair of the Senate

XIX. Closing Roll and Adjourn: Senate Attendance Fall ’23.xlsx