



Student Government Association
General Meeting
Tuesday, September 23, 2025
Meeting Minutes

Peter T. Mazza Student Government Association Room
Ely Campus Center

A livestream of the meeting for public viewing took place on YouTube.

Members Present: Justin Wald, Travis McLoughlin, Melissa Kuzmeski, Ezekiel Tamarkin, Lorraine Fernández, Jacob Constant, Barney Garcia, Dianyeliz Ozuna Sandoval, Brenna Guliani, Luke Stehley, Will Onorato, Celia Rocino, Jakob Traynor, Angelina Cassella, Ali Sutherland, Matthew Crusha, Christopher Lannan, Zara Rivett

Members Excused: Aviannah-Leigh Saulters, Raul Rosario

Also present and participating was SGA Advisor Matthew Dellea

Call to Order: President Justin Wald called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. It was announced that the meeting was being live streamed and recorded. Members were asked to review the meeting agenda, and a roll call was taken of members present (listed above).

Approval of the Minutes: The minutes from the September 16th, 2025, meeting, were approved.

President's Report: Justin Wald began his report by encouraging everyone to vote in the ongoing SGA elections to ensure high turnout. He shared a major update from the All-University Committee, which voted not to recommend the university's new strategic plan, citing a lack of regard for the shared governance process from the administration. Wald also announced that the Executive Council has finalized a new system for committee reporting, and that team huddles will be established after the election results are in. He concluded by announcing that next week's meeting will feature the first professional development session of the semester: a mandatory senator onboarding training led by Jacob Constant.

- Ali Sutherland asked to explain what will happen now with AUC voting not to recommend.
 - Justin explains in a bit of detail explaining how it will still go to the Board of Trustees and then if it gets approved from there to the state.

Vice President of Academic Life Report: Melissa Kuzmeski reported on the University Curriculum Committee meeting from September 19th, where numerous course changes were approved for the Communication and Nursing departments. For Communication, several courses will have prerequisites removed to improve student access, while others like Comm 101 and Comm 322 received title and content revisions; the committee also passed two new courses, 'Social Media Analytics' and 'Introduction to Sports Media.' For the Nursing department, revisions were approved to broaden the focus of existing courses, and a slate of five new advanced courses were passed for the Healthcare and Leadership Innovation degree completion program, covering topics such as ethics, design thinking, technology, and a final capstone portfolio.

Executive Secretary Report: Jacob Constant announced that the SGA election ballot was sent to the campus community this morning, and he encouraged everyone to vote. He added that students still interested in joining the senate should contact him or Justin Wald. Constant also informed the senate that the first Dining Services committee

* Missed First Roll Call

** Missed Second Roll Call

meeting of the semester is scheduled for this Friday from 1:40 to 2:55 PM in the Tekoa room. He invited members to submit any topics for discussion, noting that he already plans to bring up meal exchanges and the need for more variety in late-night meal swipe options.

- Zara Rivett asked to re-clarify the room that the meeting will be taking place in.
 - Jacob Constant responded with the Tekoa Room.

Announcements: The following announcements were made:

- Ezekiel Tamarkin explains that he is now holding his office hours and the times will be on the door of the cubes.
- Ali Sutherland reminds everyone about the survey from APC and he states that he is going to be meeting with the executive council next week.
- Matthew Dellea asked for volunteers to help this weekend for Family Weekend.
- Dianyeliz Ozuna Sandoval stated that there is 240 days till commencement.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Justin Wald adjourned the meeting at 5:45 pm.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the approved minutes of the Student Government Association (SGA) general meeting held on September 23, 2025.

Executive Secretary Jacob Constant