Student Government Association

General Meeting

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

Meeting Minutes

Peter T. Mazza Student Government Association Room

Ely Campus Center

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There was no Live Stream of the meeting taken due to Technical Issues.

Members Present: Justin Wald, Travis Mcloughlin, Jacob Constant, Barney Garcia, Luke Stehley, Matthew Crusha, Christopher Lannan, Zara Rivett, Alyssa Hanafin, Celia Rocino, Adian Gomez, Karlie Beamenderfer, Cole Dos Santos, Brenna Guliani, Dianyeliz Ozuna Sandoval, Lorraine Fernández, Melissa Kuzmeski, Julian Auger, Eli Baez, Fabian Morales, Ali Sutherland, Angelina Cassella, Raymond Croteau

Members Absent: Sofia Rudenko, Will Onorato, Ali Sutherland, Maria Renta-Marrero

Members Excused: Brenna Guiliani, Barney Garcia, Melissa Kuzmeski, Angelina Cassella

Call to Order: President Justin Wald called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm. It was announced that the meeting was being recorded. Members were asked to review the meeting agenda, and a roll call was taken of members present (listed above) Also, participating was advisor Matthew Dellea.

Approval of the Minutes: The minutes from the February 10th, 2026, meeting were approved.

President's Report: Justin Wald reported that the scheduled guest speakers from the Marketing Department have been rescheduled, resulting in a shortened meeting. He promoted the upcoming State House Advocacy Day on February 26th, where students will meet with state legislators to advocate for higher education issues, specifically the BRIGHT Act, which the Senate is expected to vote on during the visit. Wald announced that the Ad Hoc committee for reviewing Finance Bylaws has officially formed and will begin meeting on Thursdays at 4:00 PM to draft amendments before dissolving. Finally, he formally appointed Teddy Lucier to serve as the Vice President of Finance for the Spring 2026 semester.

Vice President of Student Belonging Report: Lorraine Fernández reported that the Blue Key Committee met on February 11th to establish the award timeline, noting that nominations remain open until March 10th and a nominee form will be active from March 11th to March 23rd. She stated that the Belonging Committee met on February 13th to coordinate the Campus Climate Survey promotional video and Unity Week planning, which will include outreach to affinity groups for event details. Additionally, she highlighted several upcoming initiatives, including a Community Care Check-in on February 18th, a collaboration with downtown businesses No Kings and EN3RGY UP, and an Affinity Listening Session scheduled for February 19th with university leadership. Her report concluded with announcements for Ash Wednesday services and several Black History Month events, including a screening of "The Matumbilas" and various educational workshops.

Campus Activities Board Report: Matthew Crusha reported that the Campus Activities Board hosted a Spongebob-themed "Jellyfish Jam" on Friday, February 13th, which featured rock painting and potted plants in the Owl's Nest. He announced that the upcoming signature weekend, "Amore Galore," will begin this Thursday, February 19th, with a Mardi Gras Celebration in the Ely bottom level featuring various jewelry and floral crafts. The weekend continues Friday, February 20th, with a Hollywood Murder Mystery in Scanlon Banquet Hall, including catered food at 6:00 PM and encouraged costumes. The festivities will conclude on Saturday, February 21st, with Drag Bingo in Scanlon Banquet Hall at 9:00 PM, hosted by Salina EsTitties.

Announcements: The following announcements were made:

- Celia Rocino announced their open forum next Wednesday, and advised everyone to check the teams.
- Matthew Dellea reminded everyone about the Orientation Leader application is still open and closes this Friday!
- Dianyeliz Ozuna Sandoval thanked everyone who went to the 100 days till commencement and also reminded everyone that there is 86 days till commencement!

Adjournment: There being no further business, Justin Wald adjourned the meeting at 5:41 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 February 17, 2026.

Executive Secretary Jacob Constant