



Student Government Association

New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine

General Council Meeting: Wednesday, October 22nd, 2025, 6:00PM, Mollie Auditorium

AGENDA

- I. Opening Ceremonies, 6:00 PM**
 - A. Quorum call
 - B. Osteopathic Pledge of Commitment
- II. Approval of Old Minutes**
 - A. Motion to approve previous SGA general council meeting minutes made by Julia Calisto, OMS-II. Seconded.
- III. Deans Report**
 - A. Dr. Wadsworth, Dean, NYIT College of Osteopathic Medicine
 - i. Rockefeller reopening planned for 06/2026-07/2026
- IV. Alumni Relations Office**
 - A. Katie Cobe, Assistant Director, Alumni Relations
 - i. Reach out to the alumni relations office for assistance to reach out to alumni in specialties of interest.
 - B. Jared Meltzer, Alumni Relations Specialist
 - i. Invitation for specialty day 11/5/2025.
 - C. Casey Pearce, Director of External Relations, Marketing & Alumni Relations
- V. Officer Reports**
 - A. President: Alessandro Mercado, OMS-III
 - i. National Affairs

1. COSGP fall meeting
 2. Many scholarships
 - a. AOF, SOMA, AOA
- ii. Legislative Affairs
- iii. Class updates
 1. Class of 2026
 - a. Residency apps closed
 2. Class of 2027
 - a. First 3 slots finished, keep filling out rotation review sheets
 3. Class of 2028
 - a. Hospital day and 3rd year orientation dates coming up
 4. Class of 2029
 - a. Finished first round of comps, keep going!
- B. 1st Vice President-Executive: Connie Rim, OMS-II
 - i. Academic Affairs Updates
 1. Class of 2029
 - a. If struggling, schedule to meet with AES
 - b. Upcoming event 11/18 – research workshop to learn more about conducting research at the COM
 2. Class of 2028
 - a. Good luck on comp
 - b. 11/11 – NBOME COMAT
 - c. 12/3 – boards review
 3. Class of 2027
 - a. Finished 3rd slot
 4. Class of 2026
 - a. Match day!
 5. SDOY
 - ii. ATG Updates
 1. Campus groups, new printers, Rockefeller building, RecRe unit
- C. 2nd Vice President-Administrative: Justin Castellano, OMS-II
 - i. Student Affairs Committee Updates
 1. E-board elections before March 25, 2026
 2. TOUCH Points
 3. Headshots 11/2025, 12/2025
- D. Secretary: Vincent Cahill, OMS-II
 - i. Morale Committee Updates
 1. Osteoblast 11/6/2025
- E. Treasurer: Kathryn Chan, OMS-II
 - i. Banking Hours
 1. Banking deadline: 11/5/2025
 - ii. Facilities Updates
 1. Deadline for scheduling rooms 11/5/2025
- F. Access and Belonging Officer: Katelyn Shibilski, OMS-II
 - i. Access and Belonging Committee Updates
 1. Meet and Greet for EPPs

2. 5ht annual Health Equity Workshop
3. Social determinants of health
4. Bias, discrimination, and harassment reporting form

G. Parliamentarian: Anthony Pantaleo, OMS-III

- i. Rules Committee Updates
 1. Future E-board elections
 - a. Must attend at least 2 events with an org to vote for E-board

VI. **Unfinished Business**

- A. No unfinished business from 9/10/25 meeting.

VII. **New Business**

A. Organization Reports

- i. APAMSA
 1. First Year Rep elections
 2. Tai-Chi with Dr. Li
 3. Origami event
- ii. AWS
 1. First year rep elections
 2. Upcoming events
 - a. Fundraiser
 - b. Suture worksop
- iii. GHO
 1. First year rep elections
 2. Events
 - a. Food pantry
 - b. Community health screening
 - c. Case competition
 - d. Diabetes talk
 - e. Letters of love
 - f. Clothing drive
- iv. LMSA
 1. First year rep elections
 2. Events
 - a. Collab with SNMA to be mentors to underrepresented students at SUNY Farmingdale
- v. Maimonides Society
 1. First year rep elections
 2. Events
 - a. Challah bake 11/2025
- vi. MSPA
 1. Upcoming events
 - a. Queer trivia night

- b. Guest Speaker
 - c. PrEP and PEP Education Workshop
 - d. Spring Social
 - vii. NYITCOM Muslim Student Association
 - 1. Upcoming events
 - a. Charity week
 - b. Collab with NAAMA
 - c. Thanksgiving Supply Kit Event
 - viii. Physicians for human rights
 - 1. Events
 - a. Free clinic information session
 - b. Asylum Clinic Information
 - c. Reproductive policy workshop
 - d. Black history month kickoff
 - e. Special Olympics
 - ix. SNMA
 - 1. Events
 - a. Reading for Health Equity
 - b. Med school mentor program
 - c. Taste of Nations
 - x. Wilderness Medicine Organization
 - 1. Events
 - a. Splint/stop the bleed workshop yesterday
 - b. Cold Spring Harbor Hike
 - c. Search and Rescue Event
- B. Committee Forums
 - i. President Forum
 - a) Movement to proceed made by Kathryn Brady, OMS-II. Seconded.
 - ii. Academic Affairs Committee Forum
 - 1. Peer Instruction: quality has gone down, 2 professors have not shown up, and 1 professor did not provide rationale.
 - a. Connie will bring this issue up with Dr. Chan and the Academic Affairs Committee.
 - 2. Lecture transcripts: certain words are censored.
 - a. Connie will bring this issue up with the Academic Affairs Committee.
 - 3. Professionalism: Inconsistency with DPR attire.
 - a. Typically in CPG. Connie will bring this up with the Academic Affairs Committee.
 - 4. Canvas videos and OneDrive link not working.
 - a. Connie will bring this issue up with ATG at the next meeting.
 - 5. Practice questions for OMM
 - a. ScholarRX, TrueLearn
 - 6. Updates for UWorld
 - a. No space in the budget currently

- b. Will have class presidents handle UWorld Student discount
- 7. OMM Prep Videos are dated
 - a. Connie will bring this issue up with the Academic Affairs Committee.
- 8. Can exam questions that are not clinically relevant not be on exams?
 - a. Connie will bring this issue up with the Academic Affairs Committee
- 9. If exams are in-house, can students get a study guide?
 - a. Connie will bring this to Dr. Chan.
- 10. Anatomy prosection videos: poor quality, structures not seen.
 - a. Connie will bring this up to Dr. Chan.
- 11. Movement to proceed made by Paul Perakis, OMS-II. Seconded.
- iii. Student Affairs Committee Forum
 - a) Movement to proceed made by Julia Calisto, OMS-II. Seconded.
- iv. Morale Committee Forum
 - a) Movement to proceed made by Julia Calisto, OMS-II. Seconded.
- v. Finance Committee Forum
 - a) Issues with Serota Basement cleanliness.
 - a. Linda restocks. Students are expected to clean up after themselves.
 - b) Is it possible for students to get foldable tables for extra studying space?
 - a. Katie will be inquired.
 - b. Also, deSeversky Annex, Health Professions Building, undergrad.
 - c) Can there be utensils in the basement of Serota?
 - a. Katie will ask about this.
 - d) Can there be provided lunch or dinner for the students volunteering at the OMM clinic?
 - a. Unsure if this falls under SGA, Katie will bring this up with Linda.
 - e) Event financial planning: where are the guidelines for ordering food?
 - a. Katie will discuss this with dining services and consult with Linda.
 - f) Movement to proceed made by Kathryn Brady, Ridge Tawdarus, OMS-I. Seconded.
- vi. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Forum
 - a) Faria Haq, OMS-II: OMM Dividers?
 - a. Katelyn will check on the progress.
 - b) Movement to proceed made by Julia Calisto, OMS-II. Seconded.
- vii. Rules Committee Forum
 - a) Movement to proceed made by Ridge Tawdarus, OMS-I. Seconded.

VIII. Announcements

- A. Alessandro Mercado, OMS-III: November 12, 2024 is the next SGA Meeting.
- B. Shilpreet Brar, OMS-II: Noto-Chord Open Mic Night
- C. Bella Won, OMS-II: Tomorrow is the pumpkin carving contest
- D. Justin Castellano, OMS-II: NYITCOM will be hosting a TouroCOM vs. NYITCOM basketball tournament on 11/16. Silent Study should be SILENT.
- E. Philip Zitser, OMS-I: If any student wants to get involved in research next semester, there will be an event in the next few days with Dr. Beatty.
- F. Mark Brandman, OMS-II: Free Clinic Day 11/13/25, in need of 1st/2nd year volunteers for the OMM clinic.
- G. Giveaway Winner: Zach Weis

IX. Adjournment

- A. Motion to adjourn made by Julia Calisto, OMS-II. Seconded.

SGA Committee Meetings

Immediately following the SGA General Council Meeting

Mandatory attendance for all committee members

Academic Affairs Committee:

Zoom link provided by committee chair

Student Affairs Committee:

Zoom link provided by committee chair

Morale Committee:

Zoom link provided by committee chair

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee:

Zoom link provided by committee chair

Finance Committee:

Zoom link provided by committee chair