



MOTION

Rensselaer Union 54th Student Senate
Date: January 8-22, 2024 | Motion #1

WHEREAS the modern academic setting is increasingly flexible, with changes such as transfer credits, the Arch, and coterminal programs, and

WHEREAS these changes to the traditional academic path have led to decreased representation in Student Government, affecting its ability to serve students,

The Rensselaer Union 54th Student Senate hereby RESOLVES:

1. To approve the following amendments to the Rensselaer Union Constitution to be placed on the ballot during Grand Marshal Week 2024:

AMENDED: R.U. Const. art. XI, § 1.

Should the position of Grand Marshal become vacant, within two weeks the Student Senate shall appoint a new Grand Marshal from within the membership of the Union. Their appointment shall require the approval of $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of the Student Senate. The Chairperson of the Judicial Board will preside over this appointment. Until the new Grand Marshal is appointed, the Student Senate by-laws shall dictate who will assume the remaining duties of the Grand Marshal.

AMENDED: R.U. Const. art. XI, § 2.

Should the position of President of the Union become vacant, within two weeks the Executive Board shall appoint from within the membership of the Union a new President. Their appointment shall be confirmed by a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of the Student Senate. The Executive Board by-laws shall dictate who will preside over the Executive Board until the new President of the Union is confirmed.

ADDED: R.U. Const. art. VIII, § 14.

- a. If any candidate knows they will be unable to serve their full term, another candidate may run for a successive position alongside the primary candidate during a general election.
- b. Both candidates must be eligible for election and to hold office as defined in this Constitution.
- c. The successive candidate shall serve for a term beginning upon the date of the effective resignation of their predecessor and ending with the conclusion of the



next general election for their respective position.

SO MOVED BY

Vivian Rost-Nasshan '26

Independent Senator

SIGNED BY

AND SECONDED BY

Chris Roe

Class of 2026 Senator

VOTE BY ROLL-CALL

14-01-02

PASSES | FAILS

Ben Viner, 157th Grand Marshal

Benjamin Viner



Roll Call Vote (01-22):

Graduate Senators

Julie Barringer (SLC Chair) - **Abstain**
Sombuddha Chatterjee - **Yes**
Vitor Fernandes Marinho Ferreira - *Absent*
Lawrence Hiquiana - **Yes**
Lily Jade Joyce - **Abstain**
Alexander Lutsevich (Graduate President) - **No**
Vacant

Class of 2024 Senators

Ramond Lin (FSC Chair)- **Yes**
Nick Longchamp - **Yes**
Vacant
Vacant

Class of 2025 Senators

Vacant
Vacant
Vacant
Vacant

Class of 2026 Senators

Henry Hanson - *Absent*
Edward Piontek - **Yes**
Chris Roe (HSAC Chair) - *Absent*
Vacant

Class of 2027 Senators

Williams Chen - **Yes**
Griffin Oliver - **Yes**
Donovan Perez - **Yes**
Marie Shippert - **Yes**

Greek & Independent Senators

Timothy Miles '24 (Greek – IFC; EC Chair) - **Yes**
Shelby Saju '25 (Greek – Panhellenic) - **Yes**
Giuseppe Molfino '24 (Greek – MSFC) - *Absent*
Philip Paterson '25 (Independent; Vice GM) - **Yes**
Vivian Rost-Nasshan '26 (Independent; AAC Chair) - **Yes**
Miles Thomas '26 (Independent; UC Liaison) - **Yes**



MOTION

Rensselaer Union 54th Student Senate

Date: January 22-29, 2024 | Motion #2

The Rensselaer Union 54th Student Senate hereby RESOLVES:

1. To approve the following amendment to the Rensselaer Union Constitution to be placed on the ballot during Grand Marshal Week 2024:

AMENDED: R.U. Constitution

Every instance of gendered pronouns, including but not limited to he/him/his and she/her/hers, will be replaced with the gender-neutral pronouns: they/them/their, changing nearby word conjugation to afford proper grammar as necessary.

Every instance of gendered titles, including but not limited to chairman, will be replaced with the gender-neutral title: chairperson.

SO MOVED BY

Ramond Lin

Class of 2024 Senator

AND SECONDED BY

Miles Thomas '26

Independent Senator

VOTE

15-00-01

PASSES | FAILS

SIGNED BY

Ben Viner, 157th Grand Marshal
