

Cornell University Student Assembly

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Agenda of the Thursday, December 5th, 2019 Meeting
4:45-6:30pm in the Memorial Room of Willard Straight Hall

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

II. Announcements

- a. Sprint on Sunday

III. Open Microphone

IV. SAIFC Reports

- a. [The Whisper Room](#)
- b. [Cornell Fashion Collective Project](#)
- c. [AppDev TCAT App](#)

V. Business of the Day

- a. [Resolution 17: Establishing a Framework for Electronic Voting](#)
- b. [Resolution 19: Creating Internal Elections Rules](#)

VI. New Business

- a. [Resolution 23: Establishing the Position of the Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, & Reform and the Creation of the Oversight, Accountability, & Reform Committee](#)

VII. Adjournment



Estimates for Costs of Improvements

Considered Cost	Quantity	Price
Card Reader, Installation, and Transmitter	1	\$4200
Refurbished laptops - Macbook Air 11''	10	\$4000 (\$400 each)
Hindenburg Audio Editing Software	4	\$320 (\$80 each)
Software to check out laptops and equipment (license)	1	\$950
Total cost		\$9,470

Administrative Contacts and routing number

Administrative contacts	Project name	Account number
Prof. Mark Sarvary	Whisper Room and State of the Pod Productions Assistance	1923119

Rationale of the Commission

The Student Assembly Infrastructure Fund Commission is a committee which evaluates applications for funding through the Student Assembly Infrastructure Fund (SAIF). The SAIF acts as an endowment and is independent of byline and SAFC funding. The purpose of the Commission is to provide financial support to projects and/or initiatives that improve infrastructure or facilities on campus that contribute to the undergraduate experience of Cornell students.

On November 21st, 2019, the SAIFC voted by (9-0-0) to award State of the Pod Productions and the Whisper Room \$9,470 to pay for card-access to the “Whisper Room” in Comstock Hall, refurbished laptops, copies of the Hindenburg Audio Software, and software to check out laptops/recording equipment for the Fall 2019 semester (lump-sum). This award represents 9.47% of the SAIFC 2019-2020 budget. When meeting with Yunyun Wang, '21, SAIFC members received details on the specific parts of funding as outlined above. Through communications and meetings with Professor Mark Sarvary, adviser for “State of the Pod” and “Whisper Room,” and Ken Ayers, Faculty Coordinator V, we received certainty regarding the cost of the card-access for the “Whisper Room,” as well as a timetable for completion. They solely requested the above reward for the sole purposes previously stated. As to its feasibility, the funding of the above items only represents 9.47 % of the SAIFC 2019-2020 budget and the installation of the card-reader will be approved by building managers. Funding these items complies with the SAIFC by-laws. Prof. Mark Sarvary and Yunyun Wang provided an extensive and comprehensive time-table for the project, projecting its completion by the end of Fall 2019. Prof. Mark Sarvary and Yunyun Wang have reassured the SAIFC of its completion timetable, as well as providing the SAIFC with regular updates.

In the Fall of 2019, Yunyun Wang (Class of 2021) submitted a proposal to the SAIFC for the purpose of providing key-card access, refurbished laptops, audio-editing software, and software to check out the laptops. In her proposal, Yunyun Wang introduced the SAIFC to “State of the Pod,” an organization which uses the “Whisper Room” recording studio. She also introduced the SAIFC to “State of the Pod’s” partnership with the Science Technology Education Program (STEP), which provides podcast education programs for high school students. She



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argued that these infrastructural improvements will assist the STEP program's mission of increased accessibility of podcast education for NYS students.

The SAIFC strongly believes that it is possible to help fund these infrastructural improvements for the "Whisper Room." As the "Whisper Room" provides podcast students to Cornell students *pro bono* and reaches out to high school students in the Ithaca community, the SAIFC strongly supports the completion of this project and believes its great worth to Cornell as a whole. These extensive improvements will be completed and opened for public use, increasing podcast education and accessibility for the student body and Ithaca at large.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Uche Chukwukere '21

Ellie Month '21

Arame Cass '23

Kiprotich Too '22

Samuel Kim '23

on behalf of The Student Assembly Infrastructure Fund Commission.



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Estimates for Costs of Infrastructure

Considered Cost	Price
ADA Accessible Ramp (2)	\$1,200
Private Changing Rooms	\$500
CIT Videography Services	\$500
Blue Sun Photography	\$1,000
TOTAL	\$3,200

Considered Cost	Price
ADA Accessible Ramp (2)	\$1,200
Private Changing Rooms	\$500
Blue Sun Photography	\$1,000
TOTAL	\$2,700

Considered Cost	Price
ADA Accessible Ramp (2)	\$1,200
Private Changing Rooms	\$500
TOTAL	\$1,700

Administrative Contacts and routing number

Administrative contacts	Project name	Account number
Kimberly Phoenix	Cornell Fashion Collective	3293353

Rationale of the Commission

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On November 21st, 2019, the SAIFC voted by (9-0-0) to award Cornell Fashion Collective \$1,700 to pay for ADA Accessible Ramps (2) and Private Changing Rooms. This award represents 1.70% of the SAIFC 2019-2020 budget. When meeting with SAIFC members, they received details on the specific parts of funding as outlined above. The committee agreed that budgeting for Blue Sun Photography and CIT Videography Services was not in line with the charge of the SAIF. Therefore, the committee agreed upon the budget that

Respectfully Submitted By:

Uche Chukwukere '21

Ellie Month '21

Selam Woldai '23

Jacob Feit '22

on behalf of The Student Assembly Infrastructure Fund Commission.



Estimates for Costs of Improvements

Considered Cost	Price
Google Play Application Programming Interface (API) Costs (for next two semesters)	\$1200 (\$100/month)
iOS Server Usage Costs (for next two semesters)	\$600 (\$50/month)
Total cost	\$1800

Administrative Contacts and routing number

Administrative contacts	Project name	Account number
Cornell AppDev Project Team	IthacaTransit App Development and Maintenance	E208778

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On November 21st, 2019, the SAIFC voted by (9-0-0) to award the Cornell AppDev Project Team \$1,800 to pay for the Google Application Programming Interface (API) and iOS server costs for Android version and iOS version of the IthacaTransit App (respectively) for the Fall 2019 and Spring 2020 semesters. This award represents 1.80% of the SAIFC 2019-2020 budget. Representatives from the SAIFC have maintained close contact and met with Catherine Zheng (MarkOps for the AppDev Team) and Young Kim (President of the AppDev Team). In this meeting, both officers of the AppDev team made it very clear that the creation of the Android app will be completed by the AppDev team. They solely requested the above reward for the sole purposes previously stated. As to its feasibility, the funding of both the API and server costs only represents 1.80% of the SAIFC 2019-2020 budget and no administrative barriers exist. In addition, the funding of app creation is permissible under the SAIFC by-laws. AppDev team officers provided an extensive and comprehensive time-table for the project, projecting its completion by the end of the Spring 2020 semester. AppDev team officers have reassured the SAIFC of this completion timetable, as well as providing the SAIFC with regular updates.

In the Fall of 2019, freshman student, Samuel Kim, submitted a proposal to the SAIFC for the creation of an Android version of the IthacaTransit App. In his proposal, Samuel Kim argued that the IthacaTransit app, on the AppStore, is one of the most reliable sources of information on Ithaca's public transportation system, and that currently a large segment of the student body (those who use Android devices) did not have access to this resource. He pointed out that access to accurate information regarding bus arrival and departure times is critical for maintaining a good and healthy student experience at Cornell University, especially during the winter months.

The SAIFC strongly believes that it is possible to help fund the AppDev Project team's Google API for the IthacaTransit Android App and the iOS server usage costs for the next two semesters. As the AppDev team provides this app to students *pro bono*, at great benefit of accurate transit information to the general student body, the SAIFC strongly supports the completion of this project and believes its great worth to the greater community. The Android



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version of the IthacaTransit app will be released for public use on (insert date), increasing accessibility to public transit information for our student body.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Uche Chukwukere '21

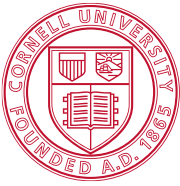
Ellie Month '21

Arame Cass '23

Samuel Kim '23

on behalf of The Student Assembly Infrastructure Fund Commission.

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Originally Presented on:	(11/14/2019)
Type of Action:	Legislation
Status/Result:	Business of the Day

S.A. Resolution #17 Establishing a Framework for Electronic Voting

ABSTRACT: Establishes a framework for electronic voting.

Sponsored by: Osai Egharevba '21

Whereas, the accountability and transparency of the Student Assembly can be improved using electronic voting.

Whereas, the efficiency of the Student Assembly can be increased using electronic voting.

Whereas, as of November 14th, community members can vote on resolutions online but cannot observe how their representative(s) voted unless they were physically present at the meeting.

Whereas, electronic voting encourages representatives to vote based on the interests of their constituents, rather than the opinion of other assembly members.

Be it therefore resolved, that article IV Student Assembly Bylaws are amended to include the following:

Section 9: Default Voting Method

A. The default method for voting during regularly scheduled meetings shall be vote by electronic device.

B. This section may be suspended on a per-resolution basis using the following procedure

1. A motion to vote on a resolution by placard or roll-call shall be seconded by another member of the assembly, but shall not be subject to debate. The vote on this motion shall be conducted using electronic device.
2. If the majority of the assembly votes in the affirmative, then the resolution in question shall be voted upon using placard or roll-call.

Be it further resolved, that the Student Assembly Standing Rules are amended to include the following:

Section 9: Procedures for Electronic Voting

A. Rule 1: The voting period shall be twenty seconds.

B. Rule 2: All voting members shall be provided with an electronic voting device if they do not have one to use during their term.

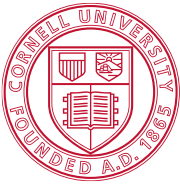
C. Rule 3: The voting record of members shall be published on the Student Assembly website for transparency and accountability.

Respectfully Submitted,

Osai Egharevba '21

College of Engineering Representative, Student Assembly

(Reviewed by: Executive Committee, 5-0-0, 11/12/2019)



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Originally Presented on:	(11/21/2019)
Type of Action:	Internal Policy
Status/Result:	New Business

S.A. Resolution #19 Creating Internal Elections Rules

Sponsored by: Nick Matolka '21

Whereas, the Student Assembly needs to create rules for its internal elections;

Be it therefore resolved, the following be added to the Standing Rules:

Section 9: Internal Elections

- A. Rule 1: With **one week's notice**, the VP of Internal Operations will notify Assembly members of a position that needs to be filled.
- B. Rule 2: Assembly members will have until the **Sunday night** prior to internal elections to submit an application. For a position, an Assembly member will be asked to answer the following two questions:
 1. Why do you want to serve in this position?
 2. Do you have the time to effectively commit to this role?
- C. Rule 3: Assembly members will be aware of applicants by **Monday night**. They will be able to have access to the answers of the applicants' questions. The means of viewing this information is at the discretion of the VP of Internal Operations
- D. Rule 4: Following the release of the applicants' questions, Assembly members can send in statements of an applicant until the **Wednesday night** prior to an internal election. Statements may only be **positive** and **in support** of a candidate. The statements will be submitted via Google Form. Only the President, Vice President, and Parliamentarian of the Student Assembly will be able to view submissions.
- E. Rule 5: Statements will be released on **Wednesday night** for the full Student Assembly to view. Statements will only be released if they positively reinforce a candidate. Each statement will be attached with the submitter's name. A statement will be vetted if they impose an *ad hominem* attack on an opposing candidate.
- F. Rule 6: In the case of an Assembly member having an egregious claim that should disqualify a candidate, they should submit the claim via Google Form to the President, Vice President, and Parliamentarian. It is at the discretion of the President, Vice President, and Parliamentarian in how to proceed. At a minimum, they are **required** to explain their choice to the submitter. If the disqualifying claim is released, the submitter **will not** be identified.
- G. Rule 7: An internal election will proceed as follows:
 1. Each candidate will be given **three minutes** to talk. It is a time to reiterate their answers and add any additional material.
 2. Following all of the candidates' speeches, the President will read aloud all of the claims submitted and approved.
 3. Following the reading aloud of claims, deliberations will go on for at maximum fifteen minutes. During this time, Assembly members can solely reaffirm a candidate of choice, or reaffirm a statement made by a candidate of choice. At no time can an Assembly member engage in in *ad hominem* attacks on any



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candidate or intentionally make false statements against any candidate. In addition, an Assembly member cannot add additional information that hasn't been stated during the meeting. If an Assembly member violates this rule, the President, Vice President, and Parliamentarian reserve the right to excuse the Assembly member from the internal election and they will not be allowed to vote.

- H. Rule 8: The sequence of events illustrated must take place prior to an internal election. In the case of a vacancy appearing that needs immediate filling via internal elections, the timeline should be modified to fit accordingly.
- I. Rule 9: Each candidate will document and release a log of all Assembly members that they meet with in lobbying for a position. Each candidate will document who they met with, the length of the meeting, and the material discussed. They will be released via the medium of choosing of the VP of IOPS.
- J. Rule 10: This process will also be implemented during the mass internal elections at the end of the school year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nick Matolka '21

Undesignated Representative-At-Large, Student Assembly

(Reviewed by: Executive Committee, 6-0-0, 11/19/2019)



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Originally Presented on:	December 4 th , 2019
Type of Action:	New Business
Status/Result:	Internal Policy

S.A. Resolution #23

Establishing the Position of the Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, & Reform and the Creation of the Oversight, Accountability, & Reform Committee

ABSTRACT: This resolution seeks to create the executive position of the Vice President of Oversight, Accountability & Reform and the Committee of Oversight, Accountability, & Reform.

Sponsored by: Gavin Martin '20, Ian Wallace '20, Joe Anderson '20, Cat Huang '21, Uche Chukwukere '20, Indigo Pavlov '22, Moriah Adgehe '21, Colin Benedict '21

Content Warning: This resolution mentions sexual harassment (specifically lines 38-39).

Whereas, the Student Assembly is not immune to concerns regarding: oversight, blind spots in accountability, and lack of needed reform;

Whereas, the concerns of oversight, accountability, and reform permeates and pertains to all committees and assembly members;

Whereas, oversight, accountability, and reform are intrinsically tied to one another;

Whereas, *oversight* is needed to: inform the general public and ensure that assembly policies reflect the public interest; gather information to develop new legislative proposals or to amend existing resolutions; ensure executive compliance with constitutional intent; ¹

Whereas, *accountability* is needed to: empower members, groups, or committees to not only recognize the critical gaps between current and desired results, but to also take ownership for closing those gaps; ²

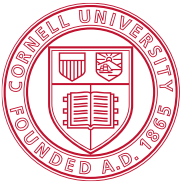
Whereas, *reform* is needed because: democracy is imperfect and the Cornell Student Assembly has living breathing governing documents, and therefore requires constant maintenance and internal changes to reflect the corrections to those imperfections and the shifting of needs for our constituents;

Whereas, this is not a direct effect from the actions taken by specific assembly members or committee chairs, rather concerns coming from committees, committee presenters, and the general voting body in very recent history regarding, but not (in the slightest) limited to;

1. Racist and sexist dog whistle terminology used by committee members when referencing presentors;
2. Behavior resembling sexual harassment by Assembly members to other members of the Assembly and/or members outside of the Assembly;
3. Comments about fellow Assembly members that are perceived as derogatory, circulating intra-assembly;
4. Certain conduct and behavior exhibited by committee chairs;
5. The demographic composition of certain committees;
6. The low retention rates of people of color on both committees and the Assembly;

¹ <https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/97-936.pdf>

² <https://www.partnersinleadership.com/insights-publications/why-is-accountability-so-important/>



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7. Apportionment of the college based seats when compared to the number of students in each college;³
8. Disruptive behavior during committee meetings towards presentors;⁴
9. Rude behavior while citing future committee decisions outside of the formal S.A forums;⁵
10. The historic underlying distrust of the Student Assembly, its intent, and actions on campus.

Whereas, we advocate for and endorse personal accountability when addressing others actions— and recognize that there are some actions that should not be left up to a *singular member* to address;

Whereas, we understand that each committee and member practices oversight, accountability, and reform individually or in collective ways—but we also know the value of a holistic sense of oversight.

Whereas, there is no standardized system and accompanied person in place to address sensitive concerns that impact the innate nature and dynamic composition of the assembly;

Whereas, the Vice President of Oversight, Accountability & Reform (VP of OAR) will have a system set up to address related external and internal complaints that are seen as affecting the day-to-day or holistics functions of the assembly in terms of oversight, accountability, and reform;

Whereas, the position would not resemble a human resource department in a corporate office, the likes of risk management, a codified form of therapy, or an outlet for emotional or mental relief—rather it will function as a source of advocacy, a voice for Student Assembly’s accountability, and an avenue to create intra-assembly reform;

Whereas, historically, these unique concerns of reform and oversight have been unfairly burdened upon the President, Parliamentarian, and Executive Archivist—in which it is none of their duties or responsibilities;

Whereas, the holder of this seat will not be the standard bearer of ethics or morality, rather will act as (1) a form of oversight that has not been given and can not be had until the creation of this position; (2) an internal monitor for accountability when addressing potentially sensitive subjects; and (3) an avenue of reform for the Student Assembly bylaws, internal conduct, Charter, and potential future governing documents;

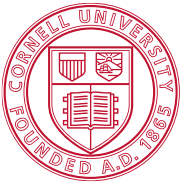
Whereas, an investigation, fact finding action, or inquiry at the behest of the Committee of Oversight, Accountability, & Reform will not be viewed as a strictly bad inquiry—rather an expressed want to better our Assembly;

Whereas, due to the nature of an inquiry or investigation by the Committee of Oversight, Accountability, & Reform—meetings will be closed to the public and members will be required to sign non-disclosure agreements (NDAs).

³ <https://cornellsun.com/2019/11/01/dyson-school-to-receive-their-own-representative-on-the-student-assembly/>

⁴ <https://cornellsun.com/2017/11/14/students-criticize-s-a-conduct-at-community-engagement-forum/>

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Therefore be it resolved, the Cornell Student Assembly establish the Committee on Oversight, Accountability, and Reform—to be chaired by the newly established Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform;

Be it further resolved, that the Student Assembly Bylaws, Article II, Section 1 be amended to read:

The officers of the SA shall be a President, an Executive Vice President, a Vice President of Internal Operations, a Vice President for Finance, a Vice President of External Affairs, a Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion, a **Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform**, a Director of Elections, a Parliamentarian, and an Executive Archivist. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by this Charter and by the parliamentary authority adopted by the SA.

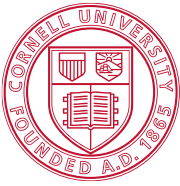
Be it further resolved, that the Student Assembly Bylaws, Article III, Section 7 be amended to read:

Article 7: Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform

1. The responsibilities of the Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform are as follows
2. Chair the Oversight, Accountability, and Reforms Committee;
3. Establish the working rules of the Oversight, Accountability, and Reform Committee that are distributed to the entire Student Assembly (including committee members) and undergraduate students elected directly to the University Assembly to ensure transparency;
4. To lead the investigations, inquiries, and/or fact finding actions at the behest of the Oversight, Accountability, and Reform Committee with as much discretion and anonymity as possible and used when needed;
5. To, when necessary, report findings and recommendations for actions to be made to the Student Assembly;
6. Work in conjunction with the Vice President of Internal Operation to oversee all attendance and outreach requirements;
7. Work with the Parliamentary and Executive Archivist to annually evaluate the appropriation of college seats, the creation of positions, and the overall composition of the Student Assembly;
8. Work in conjunction with the Vice President of Finance to assist, if needed, with oversight of Byline funded organizations including: funding/ spending research and Appendix B recommendations;
9. Work with the Vice President of External to coordinate any public release of reports, if deemed necessary and in the most appropriate way possible.

Be it further resolved, that the Student Assembly Standing Rules, Section 2, Subsection B, Rule 10 be amended to read:

10. At the discretion of the Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform—requests can be issued in ordered to appear before the Committee to any and all Student Assembly members or directly elected undergraduate representatives to the UA in efforts to fact find, investigate, or inquiry as seen needed by the Oversight, Accountability, and Reform Committee.



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133 **Be it further resolved**, that the Student Assembly Bylaws, Article V, Section 3 be amended to read:

134 The Executive Board shall hold meetings at least once a week during the academic year. Special meetings
135 of the Board may be called by the Executive Vice President and shall be called upon the written request
136 of **four five** members of the board.

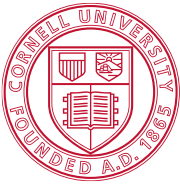
137 **Be it further resolved**, that the Committee of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform be established by
138 amending the Student Assembly Bylaws, Article VI, Section 3, Subsection F to be:
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140 **Oversight, Accountability, and Reform Committee** - The committee will pursue any necessary
141 oversight and accountability concerns of SA members and directly elected undergraduate representatives
142 to the UA. Oversight and accountability concerns consist of, but are not limited to: general body
143 attendance, resolution voting, liaison role accountability, committee attendance, committee conduct, and
144 general representative accountability. The committee will also evaluate all complaints submitted by
145 community members that are against any SA member, SA committees, or directly elected undergraduate
146 representatives to the UA. The Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform shall serve as
147 chair with a vote only in the event of a tie. The committee shall consist of eight voting members, three of
148 which are current SA members and/or directly elected undergraduate representatives to the UA . Each
149 voting member will serve a semester long term, contingent on an invitation back to the committee. At the
150 second SA meeting of each academic year, the executive committee will present a slate of any new (non-
151 SA) members to the committee for SA confirmation, which the SA must approve or disapprove in its
152 entirety. The SA must approve any new vacancies during an academic year. All committee meetings will
153 be closed. Only committee voting members will be permitted to attend unless specifically invited by the
154 Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform. The composition of the committee can change
155 for specific meeting types, in which members of the SA Executive Committee or other student
156 representatives can be given an ex-offio status—this is to be voted on by the OAR committee as a whole
157 and only when initially decided on by the Chair. The committee has the ability to investigate any SA
158 member, directly elected undergraduate representative to the UA, S.A. affiliated committee, or
159 Committee Chair if they have received a notice from any member of the Cornell Community. After a full
160 investigation, inquiry, or fact finding action—a written report may be presented to the SA, which will
161 include a brief summary of the situation being investigated and any necessary actions the committee
162 recommends. The complainants name and others that are not SA members or directly elected
163 undergraduate representatives to the UA shall be redacted from the report if permission from any the
164 individual(s) is not given. Adoption of the (possible) recommendation(s) requires a three quarters
165 majority vote of SA voting members. Rejection of the (possible) recommendation(s) requires three
166 quarters of SA voting members. If recommendation or report are not approved or rejected, it will be
167 tabled indefinitely. The Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform shall present reports to
168 the SA at both the complainant(s), OAR Committee's, and Chair's discretion.

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170 **Be it further resolved**, that the Student Assembly Election Rules, Article 1, Section B, Subsection 6 be
171 amended to read:

172 10. No previous or current holder(s) of the Cornell Student Assembly Vice President of Oversight,
173 Accountability, and Reform are eligible to run for President of the Student Assembly.



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Respectfully, many times executive committee positions, including: Executive Vice President, Vice President of Internal Operations, Vice President of External Operations, Vice President of Diversity & Inclusion, and Vice President of Finance—are seen as direct stepping stones to the Presidency. And where this is not illogical or reprehensible in any capacity, the exact nature of aspirational progress when mixed with politics directly conflicts with the principles of oversight and accountability. As such, the Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform will be barred from running for the President of the Student Assembly after or during their term.

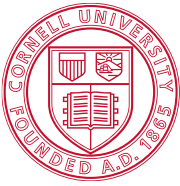
Be it further resolved, that the Student Assembly Bylaws, Article II, Section 2 be amended to read:

The SA will, as soon as possible after the spring election, hold an organizational and planning meeting in executive session. At this meeting, the voting members will elect from among themselves the offices of Vice President of Internal Operations, Vice President for Finance, a Vice President of External Affairs, a Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion. At this meeting or a meeting soon after, the voting members will elect from the Cornell community (student, employee, faculty, alumnus living in Ithaca) the office of Director of Elections. Self-nomination will be in order in each of the elected offices. Elected officers should be approved by a majority vote of SA members present at organizational meeting. Additionally, at this meeting or a meeting soon after the members will affirm the appointments of Parliamentarian and Executive Archivist. The offices of Parliamentarian and Executive Archivist will be appointed by the SA President. Each nominee for the respective offices shall be subject to majority approval of the SA voting members. The newly elected officers will undertake the responsibilities of their position at the start of their term on the SA. Elections for officers shall be by secret ballots. SA voting members may have one vote for each position to be filled but may not vote for any one individual twice on any ballot.

At the second Executive Committee meeting of the Fall semester, the President will slate, at most, three names (from the already existing pool of S.A. voting members) for the position of the Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform. From this, the Executive Committee (voting and non-voting members) will choose one Student Assembly member to nominate to the S.A. by a two thirds majority vote. This nominee will then be voted on by the Student Assembly and installed by a majority vote. If the nominee does not meet the threshold of a two third vote by the Executive Committee or a majority vote by the Student Assembly, the process restarts with the slating process—in which initial nominees may be recycled into the slating process.

By a unanimous vote of the entire Executive Committee (including ex-officio and normally non-voting members), they can recall the Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform. The individual will continue to hold their elected seat, but a new slating process will begin as detailed above.

Be it further resolved, that the election process for the Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform will take effect after the elections in the Spring of 2020 for the next calendar year, similar to a timeline of electing Vice President of Internal Operations, the Vice President for Finance, the Vice President of External Affairs, and the Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion. That being said, the initial holder of the Vice President of Oversight, Accountability, and Reform will be nominated based on the entirety of the executive committee (voting and non-voting members) by a two thirds majority vote, to then be voted on and installed by majority vote of the entire assembly for the duration of the Spring 2020 semester;



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220 **Be it further resolved**, that any numbering or lettering changed by these above amendments in the
221 Student Assembly Bylaws, Student Assembly Standing Rules, and/or the Student Assembly Election
222 Rules be amended to allow for correct sequential order and aestheticism;
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224 **Be it finally resolved**, that this resolution in its entirety is to be used as the initial framework for the VP and
225 Committee of OAR, in terms of limits to the office stated in the “whereas” statements, the conduct of the
226 VP of OAR, and to understand the great importance of this roel.
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229 **Respectfully Submitted,**
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231 Gavin Martin ‘20
232 *College of Arts & Sciences Representative, Student Assembly*
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234 Ian Wallace ‘20
235 *Executive Archivist, Student Assembly*
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237 Joe Anderson ‘20
238 *President, Student Assembly*
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240 Cat Huang ‘21
241 *Executive Vice President, Student Assembly*
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243 Uche Chukwukere ‘20
244 *Undesignated Representative At-Large, Student Assembly*
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246 Indigo Pavlov ‘22
247 *Vice President of External Operations, Student Assembly*
248 *Women’s Issues Liason At- Large, Student Assembly*
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250 Moriah Adgehe ‘21
251 *Vice President of Finance, Student Assembly*
252 *Minority Liason At-Large, Student Assembly*
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254 Colin Benedict ‘21
255 *Vice President of Diversity & Inclusion, Student Assembly*
256 *Minority Liason At-Large, Student Assembly*
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