

# **Cornell University Graduate and Professional Student Assembly**

Minutes of the March 2, 2020 Meeting 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

# **Bache Auditorium, Malott Hall**

- I. Call to Order
  - a. 5:30pm A. Barrientos-Gomez calls meeting to order
- II. Roll Call (5 Minutes)
  - a. Present: : K. Laurent, D. Yucalan, C. Duell, N. London, E. Schoenly, M. Schoeffler, H. Xu, M. Sturgeon, A. Bidjarano, P. Cole, R. Maloney, P. Vinhage, A. Johnson, M. Keefe, L. Louis, M. Gelsinger, M. Sawey, J, Faulk, M. Cantar, A.P.D.G. Everett, M. Daly,
  - b. Absent: R. Harrison, D. (Marvin) Wang, K. Masters, E. Call
- III. Approval of the Minutes (5 Minutes)
  - a. Minutes from January 27, 2020
    - i. Motion to approve
    - ii. Approved
  - b. b. Minutes from February 10, 2020
    - i. Point of Clarification the vote for the divestment resolution was 17-0-9
    - ii. Motion to approve
    - iii. Approved
- IV. Presentation
  - a. Isabel Lu, Head of Public Relations, Collaboration, and Education at Anabel's Grocery
    - i. I. Lu: Undergraduate students noticed friends skipping meals due to lack of resources/access to food. A Previous PULSE survey showed that 28% of students at Cornell have skipped meals for financial reasons (47% of African American and 35% of Hispanic Students). The goal of Anabel's is Bringing fresh, healthy, affordable food to campus, while connecting the campus with local food producers and cultivating a conversation around sustainability, health, and food justice. We are a part of a multi-faceted effort to combat food insecurity, one of the key barriers to student success. Our current subsidy fund is \$45,000, which allows us to price local and organic produce at comparable or lower levels than Wegmans, lowers economic barriers to healthy eating, and support local distributors and farms. We want to know how we can better support graduate students.
- V. Division Breakout
- VI. Elections
  - a. Appropriations Chair
    - i. Nominations: A.P.D.G. Everett
    - ii. Results: A.P.D.G. Everett
  - b. University Assembly Delegates
    - i. Nominations: Alex Jian-Taek Hong, Cody Duell

ii. Results: Alex Jian-Taek Hong, Cody Duell

### VII. New Business

a. Introduction to Resolution 8: A Resolution to Adopt the Graduate and Professional Community Initiative

#### VIII. Old Business

- a. Discussion on Resolution 7: Condemnation of the dangerously late closure of Ithaca campus on 7 February 2020
  - i. Motion to table resolution when it is more appropriate
    - 1. 14-3-9

# 2. Approved

## IX. Committee Q&A

- a. Executive: Next meeting March 16
- b. Operations: Reminder these meeting are recorded so it is in your best interest to remain professional. Also please remember to be respectful to presenters and your peers and abide by Roberts' Rule. If you have any other questions, please let me know.
- c. Communications: None
- d. Appropriations: None
- e. Finance: We have a new website through campus groups, which has deadlines and group tiers, also we are meeting this week and please contact me if you want to assist in reviewing budgets.
- f. Student Advocacy: none
- g. Diversity and International Students: We have a meeting on March 12 at 9am.
- h. Programming: none
- i. Faculty Awards: none
- j. GPCI: I will be sending a google form for you guys to get feedback from your constituents on the GPCI.
- k. General Committee: none
- 1. Graduate School: None
- m. University Assembly: none

## X. Open Forum

The meeting was adjourned at 7:07pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashlynn Lee

Clerk of the Assembly