



**Cornell University**  
**University Assembly**

**The Codes and Judicial Committee**  
**of the University Assembly**

Minutes of the March 6th, 2020 Meeting

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

316 Day Hall

I. Call to Order

- a. *J. Anderson called the meeting to order.*
- b. *Members Present:* C. Huang, A. Hong, A. Llinas Vahos, B. Corrigan, R. Lieberwitz, J. Michael, G. Martin, U. Chukwukere.
- c. *Members Absent:* M. Adeghe, L. Taylor.
- d. *Also Present:* M. Horvath, G. Kanter, C. Liang.

II. Student Code

- a. 3.5 Disruption of University Activities
  - i. R. Lieberwitz explained her changes to the language of the section.
- b. 3.8 Harassment
  - i. No changes.
- c. 3.6 Drug Related Behavior
  - i. J. Michael asked why drug-related paraphernalia was excluded. This led to a discussion on whether or not paraphernalia should be included.
  - ii. J. Anderson asked the Committee to vote on:
    1. Getting rid of drug paraphernalia: 3 votes in favor.
    2. Keeping “Possessing drug paraphernalia”: 1 in favor.
    3. Keeping “Possessing drug paraphernalia with intent to use”: 4 in favor.
    4. Nothing had a majority, so they will all be a part of the public forum.
- d. 3.10 Invasion of Privacy and Appropriation of Identity
  - i. No changes.
- e. 3.11 Misrepresentation
  - i. No changes.
- f. 3.12 Misconduct Related to Student Organizations and Groups
  - i. J. Anderson’s edits replaced the preceding 2 paragraphs.
  - ii. C. Liang suggested changing the title to “Affiliation with unrecognized student organizations or groups.”



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- iii. M. Horvath: difference between registered and recognized groups will be dispelled if Greek life comes under the Code. Footnote should be if Greek life does not come under Code we need to put in that distinction.
- g. 3.13 Property Damage
  - i. No changes.
- h. 3.14 Theft and Intellectual Property Infringement
  - i. No changes.
- i. 3.15 Unauthorized Entry or Use of Space
  - i. Tampering with fire alarms was moved to Fire Safety by OJA, but the Committee preferred to keep this here.
  - ii. M. Horvath: it made more sense to have the fire stuff in one provision.
  - iii. J. Anderson asked if the Committee wants to pull the fire stuff into one provision.
  - iv. The committee's general sense was to take this out and put it in one fire section.
- j. 3.16 Violations of Public Laws
  - i. No changes.
- k. 3.17 Weapons
  - i. No changes.
- l. Abusive conduct procedures ("Obstruction with Code of Conduct Investigation and Adjudication Process")
  - i. M. Horvath: historically OJA has used it under obstruction.
  - ii. There was a discussion on wording of the section.
- m. Attempt to violate the Code
  - i. No changes.
- n. Discussion was brought back to alcohol abuses.
  - i. Discussion of whether intent to consume matters even if an under age person is in possession of alcohol.
  - ii. There was a vote on keeping "intent to consume" in the Code. The vote was 4-0-1; the provision stayed in.
  - iii. There was a Re-vote on keeping "intent to consume". The provision is now out of the Code by a vote of 2-0-3 [2 in favor of keeping, 3 in favor of striking].
- o. Attempt to Violate the Code
  - i. No changes.
- p. Bribery
  - i. No changes.
- q. Public Urination or Defecation; Lewdness
  - i. J. Anderson stated he doesn't like these provisions being labeled as they are.



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- ii. They were originally under disorderly conduct.
- iii. C. Liang is in favor of keeping them in.
- iv. J. Anderson doesn't want this on a student's record after Cornell.
- r. False Imprisonment
  - i. J. Anderson: asked if the Committee would prefer to keep this in Assault and Endangerment or make it a separate section.
  - ii. M. Horvath: we see it a lot with hazing cases. Sometimes with roommate disputes.
  - iii. J. Anderson would the OJA prefer to pull it out?
  - iv. C. Liang wants to pull this section out. This could be psychological not just physical.
- s. Misconduct of Guests
  - i. J. Anderson: this already exists in the jurisdictional section, the question is whether to add it to the violations section.
  - ii. M. Horvath would like to have this provision for reporting purposes.
  - iii. R. Lieberwitz: uncomfortable with the term complicit.
- t. 3.7 Failure to Comply
  - i. Discussion on R. Lieberwitz's changes.
- u. R. Lieberwitz: worries about protective provisions that have dropped out of the Code, particularly on speech.
- v. J. Anderson: we may have time to add those in.
- w. J. Anderson: send questions you have on procedures to him.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Matthew Ferraro  
Clerk of the Committee