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Minutes of the August 29th, 2024 Meeting

4:45 PM – 6:30 PM

Memorial Room, Willard Straight Hall | Zoom

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Z. deRham called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.
 - i. *Members Present (24)*: S. Almosawi, R. Acharjee, L. Berinde, S. Chan, E. Chaudhuri, Z. deRham, K. Everett, E. Galperin, D. Gekman, G. Gonzalez-Mulattieri, N. Hite, C. Kim, J. Lederman, K. Liu, F. Meng, S. Razzak, I. Rezaka, M. Scali, J. Silverman, D. Suarez, C. Tarala, A. Vinson, E. Yao, S. Zhuang
 - ii. *Members Absent (2)*: D. Donovan, C. Flourney
 - iii. *Also Present*: N. Maggard, L. Thomas, A. Vink
- II. Reading of the Land Acknowledgment
 - a. Z. deRham stated the SA's acknowledgment of the Cayuga Nation.
- III. Announcements
 - a. There were no announcements.
- IV. Open Microphone
 - a. L. Thomas recommended A. Vink to be Director of Elections. A. Vink introduced herself and her platform.
- V. Approval of the Minutes
 - a. There were no minutes.
- VI. Consent Calendar
 - a. Z. deRham entertained a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion **passed** by unanimous consent.
 - b. Z. deRham asked those interested in joining the ad-hoc committee on vacancies established by Resolution 3 to email her.
 - c. Z. deRham noted that Resolution 2 creates deputies for executive members who have decided upon a deputy.
 - d. Z. deRham selected N. Maggard to be her Deputy President.
 - e. N. Maggard swore an oath of office to be Deputy President of the SA.



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- VII. Presentations
 - a. There were no presentations.

- VIII. Second Readings
 - a. There were no second readings.

- IX. Third Readings
 - a. There were no third readings.

- X. Appointments and Vacancies Calendar
 - a. Z. deRham appointed A. Vink to be Director of Elections.
 - b. A. Vink swore an oath of office.

- XI. Other Business
 - a. K. Everett moved to suspend the rules to add Resolution 4: “Support for UAW Local 2300 Workers on Strike” to the calendar for consideration.
 - b. Z. deRham found the motion to suspend the rules out of order per SA bylaws, unless permitted by the executive board. A. Vinson moved for the executive board to vote on suspending the rules and received a second. The executive board voted unanimously to suspend the rules.
 - c. K. Everett introduced Resolution 4, authored by D. Donovan, highlighting the importance of Cornell’s workers and the workers’ economic conditions.
 - d. Z. deRham stated that the posted version of Resolution 4 is out of date. K. Everett stated that she is working on uploading the up-to-date version.
 - e. E. Galperin stated that his and D. Gekman’s names on the resolution include incorrect class years. Z. deRham stated that this is not the question-and-answer period. E. Galperin moved for a four-minute reading period; A. Vinson seconded.
 - f. At 5:05, the reading period ended. Z. deRham opened the floor to a question-and-answer period.
 - g. Z. deRham stated that the first line, “Whereas Cornell University has failed to negotiate a tentative agreement” should be changed in light of the University reaching a tentative agreement with the union.
 - h. E. Galperin asked if the class year discrepancy posed an issue to the resolution’s passing. Z. deRham stated that it did not but should be fixed.
 - i. The resolution **passed** 18-0-2.

- XII. Adjournment



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- a. Z. deRham reminded members to read the SA bylaws to prevent future out-of-order motions and disruptions to the flow of meetings.
- b. The meeting was adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Anthony Wang
Clerk of the Assembly