

# Student Assembly

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## 1     **Resolution 82: Approving the Recommendation** 2     **from the Ad-Hoc Committee on Special Projects**

3     ***Abstract:*** This resolution approves the recommendations voted upon by the Ad-Hoc Committee  
4     on Special Projects, formed by Resolution 57.

5     ***Authored by:*** Hayden Watkins '28

6     ***Reviewed by:*** Ad-Hoc Committee on Special Projects (5-2-0), 04/08/2026

7     ***Type of Action:*** Internal Policy

8     ***Originally Presented:*** 04/16/2026

9     ***Current Status:*** Adopted by the Assembly, 20-0-0, 04/23/2026

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10    **Whereas,** the Special Projects fund, and its guidelines, have been the source of contention in  
11    recent Student Assembly meetings,

12    **Whereas,** Resolution 57 created an Ad-Hoc Committee to review Special Projects guidelines,

13    **Whereas,** this committee met on April 8, 2026,

14    **Whereas,** the Vice President for Finance was designated as the chair of the committee through  
15    Resolution 57, and the Vice President for Finance shall submit the recommendation of the  
16    committee,

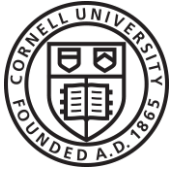
17    **Be it therefore resolved,** various typos and grammatical errors within the Standing Rules be  
18    corrected,

19    **Be it therefore resolved,** the Cornell Student Assembly Standing Rules Section 112.B have a  
20    section 7 that reads: “If any organization has been found to have violated the terms of their  
21    proposal by artificially inflating costs, overestimating the amount of students utilizing this  
22    funding, or genuinely misrepresenting the purpose of the activity for the sake of gaining extra  
23    money, they shall receive a fine, determined by the Vice President for Finance.”,

24    **Be it therefore resolved,** the Cornell Student Assembly Standing Rules Section 112.B have a  
25    section 8 that reads: “Organizations without open membership are not eligible for Special  
26    Projects Funding, except in cases where the applicant is hosting an event open to all Cornell  
27    undergraduate students.”

28    **Be it finally resolved,** that on the Special Projects Fund Application page, the Vice President for  
29    Finance shall be required to provide general guidelines, in accordance with IRS reimbursement  
30    guidelines wherever possible, for calculating the cost of “fixed travel expenses” which include

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31 but are not limited to: plane tickets, rental cars, meals per day, gas, hotel rooms, etc. These  
32 guidelines can also be relative to geographic location. These guidelines are not binding but are  
33 rather recommendations to communicate to applicants to not unnecessarily splurge, as Special  
34 Projects Funding is not limitless.”

35 Respectfully Submitted,

36 Hayden Watkins '28

37 *Vice President for Finance, Student Assembly*