



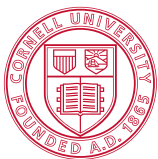
Cornell University Graduate and Professional Student Assembly

Agenda of the February 6, 2023 Meeting

5 PM – 6:30 PM

Clark Hall Room 701 or via [Zoom](#)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Late Additions to the Agenda
- IV. Approval of the January 30th Minutes
- V. Presentation
 - Carl A. Kroch University Librarian Elaine Westbrook
- VI. Introduce the Business of the Day
- VII. Breakout Session by Division
- VIII. Business of the Day
 1. Electing Vice President of Operations
 2. Soliciting President Pollack Questions
 3. Assisting Student Advocacy
 4. Resolution 6: Executive Committee Retroactive Compensation
- IX. Reports of Officers and Committee Updates
 - a. Executive Committee
 - b. Operations
 - c. Appropriations
 - d. Communications
 - e. Finance
 - f. Student Advocacy
 - g. Diversity and International Students
 - h. Programming
 - i. Faculty Awards
 - j. General Committee
 - k. Graduate School
- X. Open Forum
- XI. Adjournment



Resolution 6: Retroactively Compensating GPSA Executive Members in Accordance with Resolution 3 (22-23) and Resolution 18 (21-22)

Abstract: Resolution 3 (Amendments to Appendix B of the GPSA Charter) was passed in the fall of 2022 as a result of President Pollack's comments on Resolution 18 (2021-2022 term). Resolution 3 states that Graduate and Professional Student Assembly Executive Committee members shall receive a financial incentive for their service. Additionally, candidates running for the 2022-2023 term nominated themselves with the understanding that Executive Committee positions would have a financial incentive given that Resolution 18 was passed prior to elections. As such, this resolution proposes withdrawing funds from the GPSA's reserve account to compensate the 2022-2023 term Executive Committee members.

Sponsored by: Melia Matthews, Chair of the Programming Board, and Kyle Karnuta, Masters at Large Voting Member

Whereas, Resolution 18 was drafted to propose a financial incentive for the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly Executive Committee starting in the next term.

Whereas, Resolution 18 states that "[a]s of April 25th, 2022 each of these payments [the financial incentives] are \$500, totaling \$1500 per GPSA Executive Committee member, per academic year."

Whereas, Resolution 18 was passed by the GPSA in the spring of 2022 and was subsequently sent to President Martha Pollack for review.

Whereas, the change to the charter passed in Resolution 18 was used in the spring of 2022 to inform incoming GPSA candidates about Executive Committee position financial incentives for the 2022-2023 term.

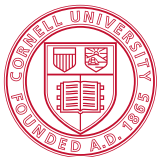
Whereas, Resolution 18 was returned to the GPSA over the summer of 2022 with comments surrounding the legal word choice for the financial incentive.

Whereas, Resolution 3 was drafted in response to President Pollack's comments.

Whereas, Resolution 3 was passed by the GPSA in the fall of 2022, but the 2022-2023 GPSA budget had already been passed.

Be it therefore resolved, that all the following 2022-2023 GPSA Executive Committee positions receive the financial incentive proposed and approved by both Resolutions 18 and 3 befitting of their respective terms served by way of a withdrawal from the GPSA's reserve funds:

President



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32 Executive Vice President

33 Vice President of Operations

34 Vice President of Appropriations

35 Vice President of Communications

36 **Be it further resolved,** that the total amount withdrawn from the GPSA's reserve fund shall be
37 \$7,500 to satisfy the Executive Committee incentive passed in both Resolution 18 and Resolution 3
38 for the five positions listed above.

39 Respectfully Submitted,

40 Melia Matthews

41 Chair of the Programming Board

42 Kyle Karnuta

43 Masters at Large Voting Member