



Cornell University
Graduate and Professional
Student Assembly

**Graduate and Professional Student Assembly
Meeting Agenda
March 11th, 2024
5:00-6:30pm
Physical Sciences Building Room 401 | [Zoom](#)**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Late Additions to the Agenda
4. Approval of the February 19th, Meeting minutes
5. Introduce the Business of the Day
6. Presentation from Graduate School Office of Career and Professional Development discussing Careers Beyond Academia programming (Susi and Colleen)
7. Presentation by Cornell Library (Elaine Westbrook)
8. Breakout Session by Field
9. Business of the Day
 - [Resolution 6: GPSAFC Guidelines Amendment \(Zander Lynch\)](#)
 - [Resolution 7: Joint Committee on Cornell University's Corporate Social Responsibility and ESG Policies \(Gus Dunn-Hindle\)](#)
10. Reports of Officers and Committee Updates
 - Executive Committee
 - Operations
 - Appropriations
 - Communications
 - Finance
 - Student Advocacy
 - Diversity and International Students
 - Programming
 - Graduate School

11. Open Forum

12. Adjournment

The GPSA invites all members to gather at the Big Red Barn for drinks and conversation immediately following the meeting. First round on us!

If you are in need of special accommodations, contact the Office of the Assemblies at assembly@cornell.edu or Student Disability Services at (607) 254-4545 prior to the meeting.

Resolution 6: Further GPSAFC Guidelines Amendment

Abstract: Amendment to exempt the designated field groups from the minimum CampusGroups number of members to maintain or move between GPSAFC funding tiers so that the restrictive and uncontrollable number of members that these field groups have because of the differing amounts of funding available to programs for graduate student recruitment do not inhibit their efforts for building community in their respective fields.

Sponsored by: Zander Lynch, Voting Member (Arts and Humanities)

Whereas, designated field groups, defined as those that would be eligible to apply for field funding from the GPSA, like affinity groups are restricted in membership by recruiting practices and funding out of the groups' control.

Whereas, designated field groups of all sizes provide vital opportunities for community building within and between fields.

Whereas, designated field groups also provide important opportunities for networking with scholars of that field both internally and externally.

Whereas, CampusGroups membership does not accurately represent how individual events might attract different portions of the Cornell community.

Be it therefore resolved, that designated field groups be exempted from the CampusGroups membership requirements for maintaining or moving between GPSAFC funding tiers.

Respectfully Submitted,

Zander Lynch

Voting Member (Arts and Humanities)

1 Resolution 7: Joint Committee on Cornell University's
2 Corporate Social Responsibility and ESG Policies

3 **Abstract:** This resolution would make the Ad Hoc Committee on Cornell University's Corporate
4 Social Responsibility and ESG Policies created by the undergraduate Student Assembly a joint
5 committee with the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly, including permanent seats for
6 Graduate and Professional Students.

7 **Sponsored by:** Owen Dunn-Hindle

8 **Reviewed by:**

9 **Whereas,** the GPSA has a duty to engage in items of importance to the graduate and professional
10 student body, and the investments of the university are of interest to the student body.

11 **Whereas,** the GPSA currently does not currently have direct input on the types of investments
12 made by the university.

13 **Whereas,** the joint input of the GPSA and undergraduate Student Assembly carry more weight than
14 either body acting independently.

15 **Be it therefore resolved,** the Ad Hoc Committee on Cornell University's Corporate Social
16 Responsibility and ESG Policies shall be made a joint committee of the undergraduate Student
17 Assembly and the GPSA, and shall hold permanent positions of the undergraduate Student
18 Assembly and the GPSA.

19 Respectfully Submitted,

20 Gus Dunn-Hindle

21 Chair of the Faculty Advising and Teaching Award Committee