

**Cornell University Graduate and Professional Student Assembly** 

Minutes of the September 26, 2022 Meeting 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM 401 Physical Sciences Building | Zoom

- I. Call to Order
  - a. P. Hanley called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM.
- II. Roll Call
  - a. *Present [22]*: K. Boardman, A. Bruce, Y. Cho, K. Cram, M. Dew, B. Hayes, M. Heeney, Y. Joo Kang, K. Karnuta, A. Majumdar, A. Masand, M. Matthews, A. McGraw, M. Minelli, N. Moore, C. Ohenewah, N. Perez, G. Smits, D. Stanic, J. Washington, T. Wolford, A. Wunsch, S. Yang
  - b. *Absent [4]*: S. Bright-Thonney, S. Carrillo, K. Chapman, N. Dorvil, S. Graham, A. Murtha, A. Patel
  - c. *Guests/Non-Voting Members [4]*: P. Hanley, J. Itsido, E. Kalweit, J. Zhang, J.Lamey
- III. Late Additions to Agenda
  - a. P. Hanley introduced Resolution for Liz as her last meeting as Graduate Student Elected Trustee.
- IV. Approval of the Meeting Minutes
  - a. September 12, 2022
    - i. The meeting minutes were approved unanimously.
- V. Presentations
  - a. No presentations.
- VI. Breakout Sessions by Division
- VII. New Business
  - a. No new business.
- VIII. Business of the Day
  - a. Ivy+ Summit delegation discussion
    - i. P. Hanley introduced the Ivy+ Summit delegation as an annual meeting between other similar colleges.
    - A. McGraw stated that as all Executive Committee members are graduating, participation from younger members interested by leadership could be important. A. McGraw also stated her support for attendance as the chair for the Student Advocacy Committee.



- iii. G. Smits stated her support for the attendance of the chair for the Student Advocacy Committee.
- iv. N. Perez stated her hope that the Chair of the Diversity and International Student Committee should also attend.
- v. P. Hanley noted that there was consensus for the attendance of the Executive Committee. P. Hanley stated that money would probably be used from the reserve fund to send any additional delegates.
  - 1. A. McGraw and N. Perez noted their desires to attend as delegates.
- vi. The motion to bring the Executive Committee members to the Ivy+ Summit was put to a vote. The motion was approved with a vote of 20-0-4.
- vii. The motion to bring delegate Annika to the Ivy+ Summit was approved with a vote of 20-0-4.
- viii. The motion to bring N. Perez to the Ivy+ Summit was approved with a vote of 20-0-4.
  - ix. The motion to bring S. Carillo to the Ivy+ Summit was approved with a vote of 20-0-4.
  - x. J. Sabety noted a desire to attend. M. Heeney stated her support of (Jean's) attendance and noted her capacity as a graduate student that would make her attendance valuable by bringing a diverse group of delegates.
- xi. The motion to bring delegate J. Sabety to the Ivy+ Summit was put to a vote. The motion was approved with a vote of 20-0-4.
- IX. Reports of Officers and Committee Updates
  - a. Executive Committee
    - i. No updates.
  - b. Operations
    - i. J. Washington stated that an email should have been sent to add oneself to a committee.
  - c. Appropriations
    - i. N. Moore stated that a hardship form for graduate students is currently being developed.
  - d. Communications
    - i. K. Boardman stated that should there be anything for the October newsletter, she should be contacted.
  - e. Finance



- i. No updates.
- f. Student Advocacy
  - i. No updates.
- g. Diversity and International Students
  - i. N. Perez would like to move forward with the town hall after returning from Fall break.
- h. Programming
  - i. M. Matthews stated that there was the first cross networking event with around 60 participants. M. Matthews said next one was MPH and plant sciences.
  - ii. M. Matthews stated the Committee's desire to have a list of leadership for all the graduate organizations on campus.
  - iii. Question raised if it would be possible for graduate societies to have a requirement for a dedicated organization email.
    - 1. M. Matthews stated that this is already a requirement in Campus Groups.
- i. Faculty Awards
  - i. A. Majumdar noted three faculty for the Faculty Award that have been selected and stated that work will begin for creating plaques, trophies etc.
- j. General Committee
  - i. No updates.
- k. Graduate School
  - i. Janna Lamey noted the formation of the Graduate Student Life Advisory Council which will facilitate monthly meetings to meet. J. Lamey stated that the Council should be around 10-12 people.
- X. Open Forum
  - P. Hanley introduced Resolution 2: Resolution Commending the Service of Graduate and Professional Student Trustee Liz Davis Frost
  - b. The Resolution was approved with a vote of 20-0-4.
- XI. Adjournment
  - a. P. Hanley motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded.
  - b. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00pm.



Respectfully Submitted, Jennifer J. Zhang Clerk of the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly