

# Resolution 8: Proposed Charter Amendment for the 2022-2024 Byline Funding Cycle

**Abstract:** This resolution amends the GPSA Charter Appendix A for the 2022-2024 Byline Funding Cycle. The change allows the Chair of the Appropriations Committee to act without a committee, in coordination with the Executive Committee. This is necessitated by unforeseen delays in the election of the Chair and no committee members as yet appointed.

**Sponsored by:** Ben Carver, Appropriations Committee Chair

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**Whereas,** Appendix A: The GPSA Byline Allocation Procedures of the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly Charter outlines the process for the allocation of the Student Activity Fee to Byline funded organizations;

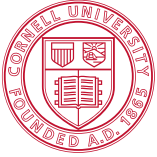
**Whereas,** due to delays caused by the ongoing Covid pandemic and a change in GPSA leadership early in the semester, the Byline funding process was stalled until the election of a Chair to the Appropriations Committee;

**Whereas,** the Chair of the Appropriations Committee was elected at the regular meeting of the GPSA on September 27, 2021;

**Whereas,** Section 4 of Appendix A describes the timeline for Byline funded organizations and other interested applicants;

**Whereas,** lines 143-153 under Section 4 of Appendix A read as follows:

1. Deadlines for the initial and final application materials will be determined in the Fall of non-fee-setting years by majority vote of Appropriations Committee.
2. Currently funded byline organizations shall attend a meeting of the Assembly or Appropriations Committee upon request to provide an update on their operations, usually conducted, but not required to be done, during the Fall of non-fee-setting years.
3. The Chair of Appropriations Committee will distribute application materials within 1 week of the final application deadline among the Appropriations Committee members for evaluation and summary reports.
4. The Appropriations Committee will schedule public hearings for each organization as described in Appendix B Item IV §4.03.
5. The Appropriations Committee shall present its initial recommendations, along with summary report and justification for each organization, no later than the fifth regular GPSA meeting of the Fall semester.



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38 **Whereas**, to meet the deadline established as, “the last day of classes of the Fall semester”  
39 (line 154), the Chair of the Appropriations Committee began meeting with organizations  
40 immediately following his election,  
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42 **Whereas**, other than the chair of the committee, there are no other members of the GPSA  
43 Appropriations Committee, and adding members at this point in the process would cause undue  
44 delays risking missing the “last day of classes of the Fall semester” deadline;  
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46 **Be it therefore resolved**, the Chair of the GPSA Appropriations Committee be authorized to act  
47 as the committee, in coordination with the Executive Committee, in making a recommendation  
48 for the Student Activity Fee for the 2022-2024 Byline funding cycle;  
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50 **Be it further resolved**, the chair of the GPSA Appropriations Committee shall submit notes,  
51 records and minutes of any and all public hearings with organizations seeking funding through  
52 the Byline funding process to the Office of the Assemblies;  
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54 **Be it further resolved**, the deadline established in line 153 of Appendix A, “The Appropriations  
55 Committee shall present its initial recommendations, along with summary report and justification  
56 for each organization, no later than the fifth regular GPSA meeting of the Fall semester” be  
57 amended to read:

58 “The Appropriations Committee shall present its initial recommendations, along with  
59 summary report and justification for each organization, no later than the **final meeting of**  
60 **the GPSA in the Fall semester**”  
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62 **Be it finally resolved**, this Graduate and Professional Student Assembly Charter amendment is  
63 temporary and will only affect the 2022-2024 Byline Funding Cycle.  
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65 Respectfully Submitted,  
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67 Ben Carver

68 Appropriations Committee Chair