

Resolution 10: Requiring the VP of Finance to be granted full Admin Access on Campus Groups

Abstract: This resolution reinstates the VP of Finance admin-level access on the CampusGroups platform to ensure efficient operations throughout the 2023-2024 Academic Year.

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Whereas, in the Fall of 2019, Cornell University switched from OrgSync to CampusGroups as the new Organization Management system moving forward.¹

Whereas, Cornell University, the Department of Student and Campus Life, and Campus Activities still utilize the Campus Groups as the primary platform to house information about organizations (IT, EO, and Department) on campus.²

Whereas, the CampusGroups platform houses important information about campus organizations such as emails, lists of membership, events schedules, surveys & forms, accounting books, website links, files uploaded, and revenue money.³

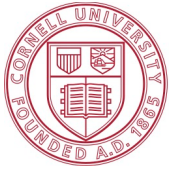
Whereas, on August 2nd, 2023, the current VP of Finance received an email from the CORE CampusGroups team at Cornell, indicating that after conducting their annual review of admin users, the VP of Finance would no longer have admin access to the platform effective immediately, despite the VP of Finance having admin access in the 2022-2023 AY.

Whereas, since all information related to campus organizations is housed in the CampusGroups platform, and an overwhelming number of these organizations are tied back to the Student Assembly in some way, the VP of Finance often needs to reference admin-level information to perform their role.

¹ Cornell Daily Sun Article: <https://cornellsun.com/2019/09/04/cornell-switches-organization-management-system-from-orgsync-to-campusgroups/#:~:text=As%20the%20new%20semester%20started,contract%20expired%20on%20June%202014.>

² Big Red Guidebook: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vTJ7pOkabClwoaF3qm7HbeFMWr98DemZs_aaVuEAfzSPGPsbyYtaj0Ocl39B3G3UTTnKuvu0c77cMY4H/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000&slide=id.p

³ Cornell Campus Groups: https://cornell.campusgroups.com/web_app?id=24335&menu_id=55594&if=0&



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31 **Whereas**, since the 2024-2026 Student Activity Fee (SAF) allocation cycle will be completed in
32 the Fall 2023 semester, the VP of Finance will need to use their admin-level access on the
33 platform to perform the following;

- 34 a) access updated rosters of byline organization officers to contact the correct students,
- 35 b) email officers or members of campus organizations to provide updates on their
36 application status,
- 37 c) verify if emails sent via the CampusGroups platform have been opened by the
38 recipients,
- 39 d) review a byline organization's previous year's accounting books to verify the validity
40 of their reporting in the SAF application,
- 41 e) quickly access updated governing documents of byline organization
- 42 f) send out the SAF Final Application (housed as a CampusGroups form) and relevant
43 materials to byline organizations so they have adequate time to complete it by the
44 September 8th deadline,
- 45 g) access SAF Final Application form responses from byline organizations, and,
- 46 h) provide updates on meeting locations, times, and topics to be discussed with the
47 relevant byline organization recipients.

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49 **Whereas**, due to the tight and fast-paced timeline of the 2024-2026 SAF Allocation cycle in Fall
50 2023, the VP of Finance is becoming concerned that their ability to effectively oversee the
51 allocation cycle will be significantly hindered if admin-level access is not granted back to them.

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53 **Whereas**, if the VP of Finance is not granted their admin-level access back, they have identified
54 on numerous occasions that there will be a significant delay in sending out the 2024-2026 SAF
55 Final Application to relevant officers of byline organizations.

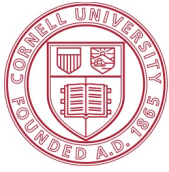
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57 **Whereas**, due to a large number of byline organizations the Appropriations Committee is
58 required to meet with, and other timeline elements for the Student Assembly to approve the
59 Appropriations Committees recommendations, the 2024-2026 SAF Final Application deadline of
60 September 8th, 2023, cannot be moved to a later date.

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62 **Whereas**, after reaching out to the relevant individuals within Campus Activities, they refuse to
63 grant admin-level access back to the VP of Finance for the 2023-2024 AY.

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65 **Whereas**, within Cornell University, the Campus Activities office is housed under the
66 Department of Student and Campus Life.⁴

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⁴ The Department of Student and Campus Life: <https://scl.cornell.edu/>



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70 **Whereas**, Article III, Section 1, lines 18-20 of the Student Assembly Charter states that the
71 Student Assembly will have legislative authority over the policies of the Department of Campus
72 Life.

73 "The SA will have legislative authority over the policies of the Department of Campus
74 Life and the Office of the Dean of Students, and will have the authority to review the
75 budgets and actions of said departments. Additionally, the SA will have authority over its
76 own policies and operations."
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78 **Be it therefore resolved**, the Student Assembly will exercise its right to have legislative
79 authority over the policies of the Department of Campus Life, and by extension, the Campus
80 Activities office, to reinstate the current VP of Finances admin-level access on the
81 CampusGroups platform effective immediately.

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83 **Be it finally resolved**, the Student Assembly recognizes the stress of the SAF Allocation process
84 and is doing everything in its power to ensure students and advisors have adequate time to
85 complete the Final Application before the September 8th, 2023, deadline.
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87 **Respectfully Submitted,**

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