

Resolution 44: Creating an *Ad Hoc* Committee to Investigate Student Employment and Wages

Abstract: This resolution establishes an *ad hoc* committee to investigate and recommend changes to practices involving student employment and wages at Cornell University.

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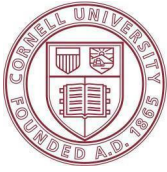
Whereas, the Charter of the Student Assembly grants the Assembly the “authority and the responsibility to examine any matters which involve the interests or concern the welfare of the student community;

Whereas, the Office of Financial Aid and Student Employment has released the following data to the Assembly regarding student employment by the university during Fiscal Year 2023 (July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023):

- 9,877 undergraduate students were employed by the University
- Student employees were paid an average of \$15.61 per hour
- Student employees worked an average of 170.64 hours total
- Student employees collectively worked 1,685,381.59 hours total
- The total cost of undergraduate student employment to the University was \$26,309,341.63

Be it therefore resolved, that there be established an *ad hoc* committee known as the “Committee on Student Employment and Wages”, which shall be charged with collaborating with the Office of Financial Aid and Student Employment to issue a report and subsequently implement recommendations to improve the terms of student employment at Cornell;

Be it further resolved, that Committee on Student Employment and Wages shall be composed of no more than twelve members, at least half of whom shall be members of the Assembly, and two-thirds of whom shall be employed or have been employed by the University;



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Be it further resolved, that the President of the Assembly shall appoint a chair and members of the committee;

Be it further resolved, that the Committee shall produce a final report to the Assembly and undergraduate population containing the aforementioned recommendations, and any other information it sees fit, no later than March 15, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

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