



Cornell University Student Assembly

Cornell University Student Assembly Minutes of the February 16, 2023 Meeting 4:45 PM – 6:30 PM 407 Willard Straight Hall

I. Call to Order

- a. President V. Valencia called the meeting to order at 4:52pm

II. Roll Call

- a. Members Present [19]: *S. Ali, S. Bhardwaj, D. Cady, E. D'Angelo, P. Da Silveira, R. DeLorenzo, G. Dong, K. Everett, J. Kalinski, P. Kuehl, A. Lampert, K. Liu, L. Lu, B. Mebretu, C. Newell, A. Richmond, N. Son, S. Williams, Y. Yuan, V. Valencia*
- b. Members Excused: *M. Baker, R. Chatterji, D. Edelman, B. Koth, A. Lewis, J. Mayen, D. Nachman, M. Song, J.P. Swenson, C. Ting*

III. Land Acknowledgment of the Gayogohó:nq̓ (Cayuga Nation)

- a. President V. Valencia stated the land acknowledgment

IV. Late Additions to the Agenda

- a. None

V. Consent Agenda

- a. V. Valencia announces a response from President Pollack about Resolution 15
 - i. It was acknowledged by President Pollack and she said that care was already in the Ithaca community, so they will not be allocating resources to it.
- b. Approval of the February 9, 2023 meeting minutes
 - i. S. Williams motions to add "...and support of Black Students United," under presentation of Resolution 18, passed by unanimous consent.
 - ii. N. Son motions to change "read the Resolution aloud" to "summarized the Resolution" under presentation of Resolution 19, passed by unanimous consent.
 - iii. N. Son, motions to approve the meeting minutes, passed by unanimous consent.

VI. Open Microphone

- a. None

VII. Announcements and Reports



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- a. New Undesignated At-Large Representative is sworn-in
 - i. P. Kuehl is sworn-in
- b. S. Williams states the Academic Policy Committee survey is in the slack and asks for everyone to share it
 - i. States she has a meeting with the VP Provost of Undergraduate Education in about a week in a half and would appreciate feedback from the community
 - ii. States the Academic Policy Committee is meeting this Saturday at 2:30
 - iii. Announces she has a meeting with the Title IX office next week if anyone has any questions they want asked
- c. D. Cady states President Pollack is coming to the UA next Tuesday (2/21)
 - i. States that members can attend you in person or on Zoom and that D. Cady and S. Williams will collect questions for President Pollack.
- d. B. Mehretu states the Basic Needs Coalition has started a food recovery system for students who are dealing with hunger.
 - i. At Anabel's Grocery there will be a private section with free meals that students can walk in and grab.

VIII. Initiatives

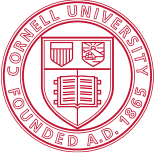
- a. None

IX. Presentation and Forums

- a. None

X. Business of the Day

- a. N. Sharma and the Office of Ethics present Resolution 13 again since it was returned by President Pollack
 - i. N. Sharma states that the one item changed is "Article 6, Section 5: External Committees, letter C: Affiliation", which is in red text.
 - ii. N. Sharma continues that the issue President Pollack had was that this was too broad before, so it is a limitation on us and it helps everybody.
 - iii. B. Mehretu states they have worked extremely hard on this and thanks them for their work.
 - iv. B. Mehretu motions to end debate, passed by unanimous consent.
 - v. In a vote of 17-1-1, Resolution 13 passes.
- b. N. Son and L. Lu present Resolution 19



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- i. V. Valencia states that the Assembly received this Resolution last week and needs two thirds majority to pass it.
- ii. N. Son states they incorporated all the changes that were suggested last week by D. Cady and S. Bhardwaj.
- iii. S. Bhardwaj motions to amend line 50 to remove the extra dash between "Student" and Liaison," passed by unanimous consent.
- iv. B. Mehretu motions to end debate, D. Cady dissents because he is still reading the resolution
- v. B. Mehretu withdraws the motion .
- vi. P. Da Silveira asks for D. Cady's dissent to be repeated.
- vii. V. Valencia states it was to have more time to read the Resolution.
- viii. D. Cady asks if they added a source for the point in lines 7 and 8
- ix. P. Da Silveira states they added a footnote.
- x. N. Son expands that the source is from Cornell Admissions.
- xi. D. Cady motions to end debate, passed by unanimous consent.
- xii. B. Mehretu motions to pass the resolution, passed by unanimous consent.
- xiii. Resolution 19 passes by unanimous consent.

XI. New Business

- a. V. Valencia asks for candidates for Director of Elections
 - i. Rahul Verma nominates himself.
 - ii. S. Williams motions to move into executive session, passed by unanimous consent.
 - iii. R. Verma is appointed Director of Elections.

XII. Adjournment

- a. N. Son motions to adjourn, passed by unanimous consent.
 - i. The meeting was adjourned at 5:16pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Megan Birmingham
Clerk of the Assembly