



Cornell University Student Assembly

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Minutes of the Thursday, April 30th, 2020 Meeting
4:45pm via Zoom

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I. Call to Order & Roll Call

- a. C. Huang called the meeting to order at 4:48 pm.
- b. Roll Call:
 - i. Present: M. Adeghe, S. Ali, M. Baker, C. Benedict, U. Chukwukere, J. Clancy, O. Egharevba, C. Huang, N. Matolka, L. Smith, S. Sun, N. Watson, B. Weintraub, S. Xu, V. Xu, J. Youngblood, Y. Yuan
 - ii. Absent [all excused unless otherwise stated]: J. Anderson, A. Cass, J. Feit, M. Haddad, J. Kroll, Y. Li, G. Martin, I. Pavlov, T. Reuning, P. Solovyeva, K. Wondimu

II. Approval of the Minutes

- a. Motion to approve the December 5th and February 27th minutes – **approved**.

III. Open Microphone

- a. No speakers at the open microphone.

IV. Confirmations

- a. Office of the Student Advocate Staff
 - i. Liel Sterling said that she worked with J. Anderson and the previous staff of the OSA to elect a new staff, and that the old staff will be staying on for part of the fall to advise the new staff. She then announced the new staff members.
 1. Student Advocate – Anuli Ononye
 2. Chief-of-Staff – Joanne Lee
 3. Director of Student and Campus Life – Ramneek Sanghera
 4. Director of Academic Affairs – Jenniviv Bansah
 5. Director of Finance – Sidney Waite
 6. Director of International Students – Aliou Jabari Gambrel
 - ii. A. Ononye said that she served as Director of Academic Affairs last year, and that she is excited to work in the position. She added that L. Sterling did a great job starting this up and that she is looking forward to learning from her in the fall and taking up the position.
 - iii. Motion to confirm the OSA staff – **confirmed** 15-0-1.

V. New Business

- a. S.A. Resolution #66: Instituting Mandatory IDP Training for SA Members
 - i. C. Benedict presented the resolution.
 - ii. B. Weintraub moved to vote on the resolution.
 - iii. C. Benedict asked whether or not the resolution needed to be tabled, since it is a bylaws amendment.
 - iv. M. Adeghe said that it does, but if they are not meeting next week then that would change.
 - v. C. Huang said that they are meeting next week.
 - vi. B. Weintraub withdrew his motion to vote and moved to table the resolution – tabled 15-0-1.

VI. Business of the Day

- a. S.A. Resolution #62: Establishment of the Students with Disabilities Representative At-Large
 - i. U. Chukwukere and Conan Gillis presented the resolution.
 - ii. B. Weintraub asked how many signatures are required for the position, and that he knows that some positions had signatures lowered in situations where members might not want people to know that they are part of the community that they represent, and that he would want to make sure that such a modification applies to this position as well.
 - iii. U. Chukwukere replied in the affirmative.
 - iv. N. Matolka asked whether this position would complement the current disabilities liaison position, or if that position would be removed.
 - v. C. Gillis said that from the perspective of the individual that filled that role, he believes that this would be an excellent substitute and advancement of the liaison role, and that substituting that role for this role would be the next logical step. He added that he apologizes if this isn't in the actual resolution, and that he does not know if it is handled specifically.
 - vi. U. Chukwukere said that this would replace the current ex-officio position with a voting position, as C. Gillis said.
 - vii. Motion to vote on the resolution – approved 15-0-1.

VII. Adjournment

- a. C. Huang adjourned the meeting at 5:04 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
John Hannan
Clerk of the Assembly