



Cornell University Student Assembly

Cornell Student University Assembly Minutes of the September 22, 2022 Meeting 4:45 PM – 6:30 PM 407 Willard Straight Hall

- I. Call to Order**
 - a. Chair V. Valencia called the meeting to order at 4:52pm
- II. Roll Call**
 - a. *Members Present: S. Ali, S. Bhardwaj, D. Caddy, K. Chan, E. D'Angelo, P. Da Silveira, D. Edelman, S. Gavin, B. Kotb, J. Lee, A. Lewis, L. Lu, J. Mayen, D. Nachman, M. Song, JP. Swenson, V. Valencia*
 - b. *Members Excused: R. DeLorenzo, G. Dong, J. Kolinski, A. Lampert, B. Luckow, N. Son, C. Ting*
- III. Land Acknowledgment of the Gayogohó:nq̓ (Cayuga Nation)**
 - a. Chair V. Valencia stated the land acknowledgment
- IV. Late Additions to the Agenda**
 - a. P. Da Silveira asked if swearing in of new representative was on the agenda and V. Valencia answered yes
- V. Consent Agenda**
 - a. Approval of the September 15, 2022 meeting minutes
 - b. P. Da Silveira moves to approve meeting minutes by unanimous consent, second by M. Song, motion to approve passes
- VI. Open Microphone**
 - a. Suha Khan running for transfer representative introduces herself
 - b. Le-Qi Tang running for freshmen representative introduces herself
 - c. Kathy Lin running for freshmen representative introduces herself
- VII. Announcements and Reports**
 - a. V. Valencia welcomes D. Nachman as the new Students with Disabilities Representative At-Large
 - i. D. Nachman is sworn-in
 - b. M. Song talked about Cornell Wide Coalition on Mental Health and shares main takeaways from the meeting



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- i. They're trying to move towards an "Us" mentality instead of "Us vs. Them" mentality
- ii. They're trying to diversify their own experiences with mental health
- iii. Mental health resources will be ongoing process (continuous therapy) instead of one-off process
- iv. Want one place for students to go for resources, specifically a basic needs center for mental health
- v. Want to require a self-care and wellness class in the Cornell curriculum
- vi. D. Caddy asks to elaborate on who was involved and if there's a follow up event
- vii. M. Song answered that there were student representatives from the Basic Needs Coalition and some admin present who were affiliated with mental health and student services. Will send out exact names and titles in an email
- viii. P. De Silveira asks for M. Song's notes in a Slack and she agrees
- c. E. Kalweit introduces M. Birmingham as new clerk
- d. V. Valencia announces a reminder of the attendance policy and emphasizes importance of in-person attendance
 - i. Announces there may have to be a transition to a more strict attendance policy

VIII. Initiatives

- a. None

IX. Presentation and Forums

- a. V. Valencia makes an announcement that Anabel's Grocery will be coming next week and plans to request additional funds

X. Business of the Day

- a. None

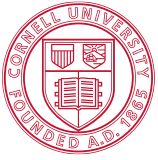
XI. New Business

- a. P. Da Silveira motions to table staffing committees until next week, B. Kotb seconds, passed with unanimous consent

XII. Adjournment

- a. P. Da Silveira moves to adjourn, M. Song seconds, meeting adjourned at 5:07pm

The meeting was adjourned at 5:07pm.



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Respectfully Submitted,
Megan Birmingham
Clerk of the Assembly