



Cornell University Student Assembly

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S.A. Resolution #29

Ensuring Student Representation in the IT Governance Process at Cornell Through the Establishment of a Standing Committee

ABSTRACT: This resolution aims to establish a standing committee of the Student Assembly tasked with the responsibility of providing undergraduate students better representation in the IT governance process at Cornell University.

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Whereas, on February 1st, 2018, the Cornell University Student Assembly established an ad-hoc committee for investigating the campus printing system and advocating for fairer printing pricing schemes, printer accessibility, and environmental sustainability,

Whereas, on October 4th, 2018, the SA renewed the aforementioned ad-hoc committee and recognized the “Investigative Committee on Stewardship in IT Governance and Campus Printing System” as successor to the committee while broadening the scope of the group to address matters regarding Cornell’s “stewardship in IT governance practices, and communications between the [SA], and Cornell IT”,

Whereas, the members of the aforementioned ad-hoc committee shall -- with the presentation of this resolution to the voting members of the SA -- announce its progress and changes to the campus printing system expected to begin taking effect in July 2019 and hence prepare to conclude its investigation into the Net-Print enterprise,

Whereas, the new campus printing system will enter the testing phase later this year and a permanent committee of the SA should continue to advocate for student interests during this transition period,

Whereas, discussions between the SA and the Cornell computing and information sciences (CIS) community has identified non-printing-related potential areas of improvements for university IT services,

Whereas, university IT governance remains an area where undergraduates are underrepresented and hence it is of utmost importance that designated members of the SA and the greater campus community maintain the relationships that were built between the SA and the IT administration during the campus printing system reform process,

Whereas, the SA does not currently have a committee that deals with matters of IT governance or aims to provide student-side feedback in said area,

Be it therefore resolved, the Student Assembly establishes a standing review committee titled the “Student Assembly Committee on IT Governance” through the amendment of the Student Assembly Bylaws to add the following as Article VI, Section 2, Clause P (after line 363):



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46 P. Student Assembly Committee on IT Governance - The Student Assembly Committee on IT
47 Governance (SACIG) is charged with the responsibility of exercising oversight over Cornell
48 University's information technology services and policies that affect student life. SACIG shall
49 function to represent student interests in the university IT governance process by conducting
50 reviews of existing and future policies set by Cornell Information Technologies (CIT), the Office of
51 the Chief Information Officer (CIO), college and unit IT service groups, and any other relevant
52 university authorities, as empowered by provisions in Article III, Section 1 of the Student Assembly
53 Charter. This committee shall be governed by its bylaws, approved following Article VI, Section 1,
54 Clause A of the Student Assembly Bylaws at the beginning of each Student Assembly term. The
55 committee bylaws may be amended as necessary when requested by its chair and the amendments
56 have been approved following the aforementioned Clause A. Should this committee fail to approve
57 its bylaws at the beginning of a Student Assembly Term, its most recently approved bylaws shall take
58 effect until new amendments are approved. The Student Assembly, when appointing liaisons and
59 delegations to other shared governance bodies or the administration to represent students regarding
60 matters of IT governance, should make reasonable efforts to nominate them from the members of
61 SACIG.

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63 SACIG shall consist of no more than 5 voting members, with:

- 64 • A chair, an undergraduate student with an interest in computing and technology, elected by
65 the voting members of the Student Assembly
- 66 • Two computing and information science (CIS) representatives – voting members
67 representing the interests of the CIS community at Cornell – consisted of one appointed by
68 the Association of Computer Science Undergraduates (ACSU) and another by Women in
69 Computing at Cornell (WICC), from among students planning to major in, or majoring in
70 the fields of computer science, information science, or statistical science, and
- 71 • Two general representatives – voting members representing the general interests of
72 undergraduates – appointed by the chair from among undergraduate students and confirmed
73 by the Student Assembly Executive Cabinet

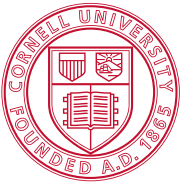
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75 During the staffing process of this committee, it shall be the chair's duty to publicize the
76 appointment process and schedule to CIS student organizations at Cornell to ensure that groups
77 without organizational representative positions on this committee are equally represented.

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