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Agenda

University Assembly
November 29th, 2016
4:30pm - 6:30pm
401 Physical Science Bldg

I. Call to Order (Chair)

- i. Roll Call (1 minute)
- ii. Call for Late Additions to the Agenda (2 minute)

II. Approval of Minutes (Chair)

- i. November 1st, 2016 (1 minute) ^[1]
- ii. November 15th, 2016 (1 minute) ^[2]

III. Assembly Reports

- i. EA Chair (U. Smith) (4 minutes)
- ii. SA President (J. Berger) (4 minutes)
- iii. Dean of Faculty (C. Van Loan) (4 minutes)
- iv. GPSA President (N. Rogers) (4 minutes)

IV. Committee Reports

- i. Executive Committee (E. Baptist) (4 minutes)
- ii. Campus Welfare Committee (U. Smith) (4 minutes)
- iii. Campus Infrastructure Committee (J. Kruser) (4 minutes)
- iv. Codes and Judicial Committee (M. McBride) (4 minutes)

V. Business of the Day

- i. For Consent: Approval of Vacancy Nominations to the University Hearing and Review Boards (M. McBride) (1 minute)
- ii. For Vote: UA Resolution #1 Updating and Clarifying University Assembly Charter and Bylaws (E. Winarto) (20 minutes) ^[3]
 - i. Charter, Article IV, Section 4.1
 - ii. Charter, Article IV, Section 4.3
 - iii. Charter, Article V, Section 5.3
- iii. For Vote: UA Resolution #3: Endorsing "The Ithaca Plan: A Public Safety Approach to Drugs and Drug Policy" (U. Smith, L. Copman) (20 minutes)
- iv. For Introduction: UA Resolution #4: 2016-2017 Cornell University Campus Code of Conduct Update Part 2: Accepting Recommendation from Outdoor Space Working Group (M. McBride) (20 minutes)

If you are in need of special accommodations, contact Office of the Assemblies at (607) 255-3715 or Student Disability Services at (607) 254-4545 prior to the meeting.

- v. For Introduction: UA Resolution #5: In Support of Making Cornell A Sanctuary Campus (E. Winarto) (20 minutes)

VI. Late Additions to the Agenda

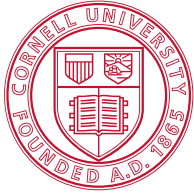
- i. Late Additions to the Agenda (2 minute)

VII. Adjournment

- i. Adjournment (1 minute)

VIII. Attachments

1. UA Meeting Minutes – 11.1.2016
2. UA Meeting Minutes – 11.15.2016
3. Appendix A: UA Proposed Charter Update



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U.A. Resolution # 1

**Updating and Clarifying the University Assembly
Charter and Bylaws**

[9/20/2016]

1 **Sponsored by:** Ekarina Winarto, Graduate and Professional Student Representative;
2 **Ranking Member, Executive Committee**

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4 **On Behalf Of: The University Assembly Executive Committee**

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6 **Whereas,** the University Assembly (the Assembly) annually reviews the Charter and Bylaws at
7 the beginning of each session of the Assembly and additionally throughout the session as
8 needed; and

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10 **Whereas,** Counsel's Office has recommended that the Assembly specifically consider clarifying
11 the appointment and removal process for members of the Assembly; and

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13 **Whereas,** Article IV, Sections 4.1 and 4.3, and Article V, Section 5.3 of the Charter are
14 ambiguous; and

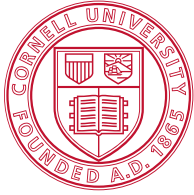
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16 **Whereas,** because all constituencies ought to have equal representation on the Assembly, the
17 Charter should be amended to provide for two more Graduate and Professional Student
18 Representative seats on the Assembly; and

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20 **Whereas,** in the Bylaws, Article II, Section 2.12 requires the Chair to call for votes to remove
21 members after missing two scheduled meetings, Article III, Sub-Section 3.2.2 does not
22 currently include all officers of the Assembly as ex-officio, non-voting members of the
23 Standing Committees, and Article IV, Section 4.1 does not currently note the inclusion of
24 the Judicial Codes Counselor and the Judicial Administrator as ex-officio, non-voting
25 members of the Codes and Judicial Committee,

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27 **Be it therefore resolved,** that the Charter be amended to reflect the changes denoted by blue text
28 in Appendix A; and

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30 **Be it further resolved,** that the Bylaws be amended to reflect the changes denoted by blue text
31 in Appendix B; and

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33 **Be it finally resolved,** that the University Assembly advises the constituent assemblies to review



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34 their appointment procedures to the University Assembly in light of these proposed
35 updates and clarifications.

Adopted by a Vote of the Assembly (#Ayes – #Nays – #Abstentions), Month DD, YYYY,

Gabe Kaufman
Chair, University Assembly



Charter

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As amended on ~~October 6, 2015~~ [Date specified if approved]

PREAMBLE

After consultation with members of the campus community, and to effect more extensive involvement in campus governance through a University Assembly and constituent assemblies representatives of faculty, students, and employees, the President, through the authority granted him by the Board of Trustees, hereby establishes this Charter for the University Assembly of Cornell University.

ARTICLE I: NAME AND DEFINITIONS

Section 1: Name

The name of this organization is the University Assembly of Cornell University, hereinafter referred to as the Assembly or the UA.

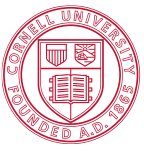
Section 2: Definitions

- A. **Campus Community:** The students, staff, and faculty of the Ithaca and Geneva campuses of the university.
- B. **Constituency:** A constituency is a population represented by one of the constituent assemblies.
- C. **Constituent Assembly:** Any one of the following campus governance units of the university may be considered a constituent assembly: Student Assembly, Graduate and Professional Student Assembly, Employee Assembly, or Faculty Senate.
- D. **Session of the Assembly:** A session of the Assembly begins June 1 and continues through May 31 of the next year.

ARTICLE II: OBJECT

The object of the Assembly is to improve and sustain the involvement of the campus community in the governance of campus affairs affecting the broad campus community by establishing open, effective, and efficient channels of communication between and amongst the community and university administration.

ARTICLE III: AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY



27 The Assembly, by delegation from the President, has the following authority and responsibilities:

28 **Section 3.1: Authority in policy development**

29 The Assembly may examine, on its own initiative, matters which involve the interests or concern the
30 welfare of a substantial segment of the campus community and may make recommendations or resolutions
31 thereon to the President or to other appropriate officers or decision-making bodies of the University. Such
32 matters include, but are not necessarily limited to:

- 33 • common standards of conduct,
- 34 • campus planning,
- 35 • diversity and inclusion,
- 36 • environmental impact and sustainability,
- 37 • family support,
- 38 • health services,
- 39 • information technology,
- 40 • public safety, and,
- 41 • transportation and commuter policies.

42 **Sub-Section 3.1.1: Assembly responsibilities**

43 To the extent practical and appropriate, the Assembly shall provide public notice of either the terms or
44 the substance of each proposed recommendation or resolution and a meaningful opportunity for
45 community participation in the development of such recommendations and resolutions. Such
46 opportunity may include:

- 47 A. a comment period of at least one calendar month during which any member of the community
48 may submit written information or opinions for the Assembly's consideration,
- 49 B. at least one public hearing during which any member of the community may submit
50 information or opinions to the Assembly in person for its consideration, and,
- 51 C. solicitation of pertinent information from appropriate University officials.

52 **Sub-Section 3.1.2: Recipient responsibilities**

- 53 A. To the extent practical and appropriate, University officials will provide pertinent information as
54 the Assembly requests.
- 55 B. Recipients of recommendations and resolutions shall reply in writing, either accepting them or
56 explaining why they will not be implemented. When circumstances prevent recipients' response
57 within one calendar month, they shall inform the Assembly of such circumstances and a date by
58 which it can expect a response.



59 **Sub-Section 3.1.3: Policies and actions subject to Assembly review**

- 60 A. Responsible University officials shall consider designating the Assembly, or one of its
61 constituent assemblies, as a stakeholder in each impact statement, prepared under the terms of
62 University Policy 4.1, Policy on the Formulation and Issuance of University Policies, which
63 involves the interests or concerns the welfare of a substantial segment of the campus
64 community. If the Assembly is not identified as a stakeholder, the impact statement should
65 incorporate a brief explanation for this determination.
- 66 B. Where circumstances permit, the Assembly shall be allowed a period of at least one calendar
67 month to review and respond to proposed changes of the following policies:
- 68 a. the Campus Code of Conduct, and
 - 69 b. the Rules and Regulations for the Control of Traffic and Parking on the Grounds of
70 Cornell University.
 - 71 c. Officers of the university should consider consultation with the Assembly before
72 implementing other significant actions or policies which involve the interests or concern
73 the welfare of a substantial segment of the campus community.
- 74 C. The Assembly may review or recommend specific policies and actions on its own initiative or in
75 response to a petition from members of its constituencies.

76 **Section 3.2: Appointments to certain administrative offices**

77 **Sub-Section 3.2.1: Confirmation of certain Presidential appointments**

78 The Assembly must approve each appointment or reappointment by the President of the University
79 to the following offices: the Judicial Administrator, the University Ombudsman, and the Judicial
80 Codes Counselor. In the event of a vacancy in the offices of the University Ombudsman or Judicial
81 Codes Counselor, the President or a designee will appoint a search committee to which the
82 Assembly may appoint a representative. In the event of a vacancy in the Judicial Administrator's
83 office, the procedure laid out in Article II, Section A, Subsection 3 of Campus Code of Conduct for
84 constituting a search will be followed. Incumbent occupants of each office may serve any number of
85 consecutive terms; however, no single term may exceed two years in duration.

86 **Sub-Section 3.2.2: Appointment of members to the University Hearing and Review
87 Boards**

88 The Assembly may appoint members to and remove members from service on the University
89 Hearing and Review Boards convened under the Campus Code of Conduct as needed to assure the
90 effective operation of those panels.



91 **Section 3.3: Internal operations**

92 The Assembly has authority in matters concerning its internal operation and maintenance, including
93 provisions for the creation of bylaws and procedures.

94 **Section 3.4: Establish committees**

95 The Assembly establishes standing committees and ad hoc committees as needed to perform its duties.

96 **Section 3.5: Reservation of authority**

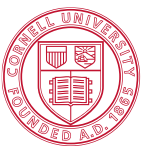
97 Nothing contained herein shall be construed to limit or constrain the President or other officers of the
98 University in the exercise of their delegated authority. The Assembly shall also defer to the advisory
99 authority of the Faculty Senate and the college and school faculties regarding matters of educational policy
100 within their purview pursuant to the University Bylaws.

101 **ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP**

102 **Section 4.1: Composition and terms**

103 ~~A. The Student Assembly may appoint four, the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly, two,~~
104 ~~the Employee Assembly, four, and the Faculty Senate, four, members from their respective~~
105 ~~constituencies to serve staggered terms as voting members of the Assembly concurrent with two~~
106 ~~consecutive sessions of the Assembly. Additionally, the presiding officer of each constituent~~
107 ~~assembly serves as a voting member of the Assembly concurrent with his or her term of office.~~
108 ~~B. The Assembly may provide in its bylaws for appointment of additional non-voting members to~~
109 ~~serve ex-officio~~

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111 ~~A. The total membership of the Assembly shall consist of twenty voting members: five~~
112 ~~Undergraduate Student Representatives, five Graduate and Professional Student~~
113 ~~Representatives, five Employee Representatives, and five Faculty Representatives.~~
114 ~~B. Appointments to the Assembly will be made before the last regularly scheduled meeting of the~~
115 ~~current session of the Assembly. Seats left unfilled after this time will be considered vacant.~~
116 ~~a. For a given session of the Assembly, the Student Assembly and Graduate and~~
117 ~~Professional Student Assembly may appoint four members from their respective~~
118 ~~constituencies to serve one-year terms concurrent with that session of the Assembly.~~
119 ~~Excluding the presiding officers, at least two of the appointed members from each~~



- 120 constituent assembly at a given time must also serve concurrently as members of the
121 constituent assembly responsible for their appointment.
- 122 ~~b. For a given session of the Assembly, the Employee Assembly and the Faculty Senate may~~
123 ~~appoint two members from their respective constituencies to serve two-year terms as~~
124 ~~voting members of the Assembly concurrent with the next two consecutive sessions of~~
125 ~~the Assembly. Excluding the presiding officers, at least two of the appointed members~~
126 ~~from each constituent assembly at a given time must also serve concurrently as members~~
127 ~~of the constituent assembly responsible for their appointment. Remaining a voting~~
128 ~~member of the constituent assembly for two consecutive sessions of the constituent~~
129 ~~assembly shall satisfy the requirement for serving concurrently.~~
- 130 ~~c. The presiding officer of each constituent assembly serves as a voting member of the~~
131 ~~Assembly concurrent with his or her term of office.~~
- 132 ~~d. Each constituent assembly may appoint members to the Assembly in the manner of its~~
133 ~~choosing and may fill vacancies as they occur with members who will serve the balance~~
134 ~~of the term of the vacated member.~~
- 135 ~~C. The Assembly may provide in its bylaws for appointment of additional non-voting members to~~
136 ~~serve ex-officio.~~
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- 138 A. The total membership of the Assembly shall consist of twenty voting members: five
139 Undergraduate Student Representatives, five Graduate and Professional Student
140 Representatives, five Employee Representatives, and five Faculty Representatives.
- 141 B. Appointments to the Assembly will be made before the last regularly scheduled meeting of the
142 current session of the Assembly. Seats left unfilled after this time will be considered vacant.
143 Terms shall be served for a duration determined by the constituent assembly at the time of their
144 appointment, and may be for one or two years. All terms must be served concurrent with the
145 next two sessions of the Assembly.
- 146 a. For a given session of the Assembly, the Student Assembly and Graduate and
147 Professional Student Assembly may appoint four members from their respective
148 constituencies to serve as voting members of the Assembly. Excluding the presiding
149 officers, at least two of the appointed members from each constituent assembly at a given
150 time must also serve concurrently as members of the constituent assembly responsible
151 for their appointment.
- 152 b. The presiding officer of each constituent assembly serves as a voting member of the
153 Assembly concurrent with their term of office.
- 154 c. Each constituent assembly may appoint members to the Assembly in the manner of its
155 choosing and may fill vacancies as they occur with members who will serve the balance
156 of the term of the vacated member.



C. The Assembly may provide in its bylaws for appointment of additional non-voting members to serve ex officio.

Section 4.2: Exclusion

A voting member of the Assembly may not serve concurrently as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University.

Section 4.3: Removal

~~Any member may be removed by affirmative vote of two thirds of seated members of the assembly and consent of the constituent assembly responsible for his or her appointment.~~

~~Once appointed by a constituent assembly and seated as a member of the Assembly, a member can only be removed if he or she resigns or both:~~

~~A. At least two thirds of the Assembly affirmatively vote to remove the member from the Assembly; and~~

~~B. At least one half of the constituent assembly responsible for his or her appointment affirmatively votes to remove the member from the Assembly.~~

Once appointed by a constituent assembly and seated as a member of the Assembly, that constituent assembly member can be removed if he or she resigns or:

A. If at least two-thirds of the seated Assembly members vote to remove that member from the Assembly; and

B. A majority of the membership of the constituent assembly responsible for that member's appointment affirmatively votes to remove that member from the Assembly.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS

Section 5.1: Positions

The officers of the Assembly are the Chair, the Executive Vice Chair, and the Vice Chair for Operations, who must be of different constituencies. Additionally, a ranking member must be appointed for each constituency not otherwise represented by the officers of the Assembly.



186 **Section 5.2: Terms**

187 The term for each office is concurrent with a session of the Assembly.

188 **Section 5.3: Election**

189 ~~A. At the organizational meeting of the Assembly or at the first meeting after a vacancy arises, the~~
190 ~~Assembly must elect officers from its membership by secret ballot in closed session. Elections will~~
191 ~~utilize the exhaustive ballot system: until a candidate receives a majority of votes cast, the candidate~~
192 ~~receiving the fewest number of votes will be removed from the ballot and another round of votes~~
193 ~~cast.~~

194 ~~B. As soon as possible after the officers have been elected, seated members of the constituency not~~
195 ~~represented by the officers must caucus and elect, following the same procedure as provided for the~~
196 ~~election of officers, a ranking member to represent their constituency.~~

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198 A. The organizational meeting for the next session of the Assembly shall occur after the adjournment of
199 the final regularly scheduled meeting of the current session of the Assembly and prior to the
200 beginning of the next session of the Assembly to ensure that the Assembly may organize before the
201 next session begins.

202 B. At the organizational meeting of the Assembly or at the first meeting after a vacancy arises, the
203 Assembly must elect officers from its membership by secret ballot in closed session. The highest
204 ranking non-returning member of the current session of the Assembly shall preside over the election
205 of the Chair for following session. Where no such person exists, the longest consecutively serving
206 member of the Assembly shall preside over the election of the Chair.

207 C. Elections will utilize the exhaustive ballot system: until a candidate receives a majority of votes cast,
208 the candidate receiving the fewest number of votes will be removed from the ballot and another
209 round of votes cast.

210 a. If, after the floor is closed for nominations for specific officer position, only one candidate is
211 nominated to be an officer, he or she will be seated immediately, unless a member of the
212 assembly opposes the nomination.

213 D. As soon as possible after the officers have been elected, seated members of the constituency not
214 represented by the officers must caucus and elect, following the same procedure as provided for the
215 election of officers, a ranking member to represent their constituency.

216 **Section 5.4: Responsibilities**

217 **Sub-Section 5.4.1: Responsibilities of the Chair**



- 218 The Chair:
- 219 A. presides over meetings of the Assembly;
 - 220 B. serves as the spokesperson of the Assembly; and,
 - 221 C. transmits any formal recommendations, resolutions, or reports issued by the Assembly to the
 - 222 appropriate recipients.

223 **Sub-Section 5.4.2: Responsibilities of the Executive Vice Chair**

- 224 The Executive Vice Chair:
- 225 A. presides over meetings of the Executive Board;
 - 226 B. receives and tracks reports, resolutions, and other items of business from members of the
 - 227 Assembly and the chairs of its committees;
 - 228 C. prepares and distributes the agenda for each meeting of the Assembly to all members of the
 - 229 Assembly and to the Office of the Assemblies at least twenty four hours prior to the meeting;
 - 230 D. assists the Chair in compiling reports and materials as needed; and,
 - 231 E. fulfills the responsibilities of the Chair in his or her absence or if the position is vacant.

232 **Sub-Section 5.4.3: Responsibilities of the Vice Chair for Operations**

- 233 The Vice Chair for Operations:
- 234 A. reviews and approves expenses under the discretionary budget of the Assembly;
 - 235 B. monitors the activities of each committee of the Assembly;
 - 236 C. assures that each committee of the Assembly is properly staffed, consulting with the
 - 237 Executive Board, the committee's chair, and the appropriate officers of the constituent
 - 238 assemblies as needed; and,
 - 239 D. fulfills the responsibilities of the Executive Vice Chair in his or her absence or if the position
 - 240 is vacant.

241 **Sub-Section 5.4.4: Responsibilities of the Ranking Member**

- 242 The ranking member:
- 243 A. serves as a voting member of the Executive Board;
 - 244 B. represents the interest of his or her constituency in meetings of the Executive Board; and,
 - 245 C. resigns from office in the event that another member of his or her constituency becomes an
 - 246 officer of the Assembly.

247 **Section 5.5: Removal**



248 The Assembly may remove any of its officers upon an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the seated
249 membership of the Assembly. Immediately thereafter, a new officer must be elected from among the voting
250 members of the Assembly for the balance of the term of office.

251 **ARTICLE VI: EXECUTIVE BOARD**

252 The Assembly has an Executive Board (the Board) to manage its daily operation and to provide continuity
253 of operation outside of the academic year.

254 **Section 6.1: Membership**

255 The Board consists of the officers and the ranking members of the Assembly.

256 **Section 6.2: Authority during the academic year**

257 The Board:

- 258 A. prepares the agenda for each meeting of the Assembly;
- 259 B. calls special meetings of the Assembly as needed; and,
- 260 C. removes members from committees in cases where behavior or absence disrupts the sound
261 operation of those committees.

262 **Section 6.3: Emergency Authority**

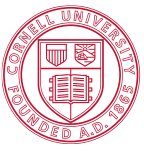
263 During periods between academic semesters and during university holidays, the Board may additionally:

- 264 A. speak on behalf of the Assembly on matters where, in the opinion of the Board, a delay would
265 prevent effective exercise of the Assembly's authority or hinder the efficient operation of
266 institutional functions for which the Assembly is responsible; and,
- 267 B. convene any ad hoc committees as needed to fulfill its responsibilities.

268 In taking any such actions, the Board must make a reasonable effort to involve all of its members, including
269 those absent from campus, and to consult the chairs of any committees that the Assembly would ordinarily
270 consult. The Chair must report such actions, including the results of any votes, at the first meeting of the
271 Assembly that occurs after the actions are taken.

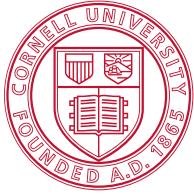
272 Article 7: Changes in the Charter and Bylaws of the University Assembly

273 **ARTICLE VII: CHANGES IN THE CHARTER AND BYLAWS OF THE** 274 **UNIVERSITY ASSEMBLY**



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- 275 A. An affirmative vote of a majority of the seated members of the Assembly is required to amend the
276 Bylaws of the Assembly, and an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the seated membership is required
277 to amend the Charter.
- 278 B. Proposed amendments to the Bylaws or the Charter of the Assembly must be publicized at least one
279 week before any meeting where they are discussed or adopted. The Assembly may not adopt
280 amendments to the Charter at the same meeting where they are introduced or modified, and the
281 President of the University must approve such amendments before they may be implemented.



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U.A. Resolution #3

**Endorsing “The Ithaca Plan: A Public Health and Safety
Approach to Drugs and Drug Policy”**

[November 1, 2016]

1 **Sponsored by:** Linda Copman, Employee Representative; Ulysses Smith, Employee
2 **Representative; Chair:** Campus Welfare Committee

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4 **On Behalf Of:** The University Assembly Campus Welfare Committee

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6 **Whereas,** the University community recognizes the critical need to address issues of campus safety,
7 in the wake of separate stabbing incidents on or near campus this semester, at least one of which
8 involved the sale of drugs; and

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10 **Whereas,** the University administration has expressed support for strengthening our relationships
11 with partner law enforcement agencies in the City of Ithaca and surrounding communities, as one
12 important means to bolster campus safety; and

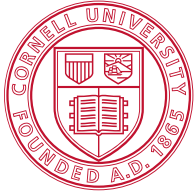
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14 **Whereas,** in April 2014, City of Ithaca Mayor Svante Myrick convened the Municipal Drug Policy
15 Community and charged this group with recommending policies and practices we could adopt to
16 improve our local response to drug use and related policies; and

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18 **Whereas,** in February 2016, the Municipal Drug Policy Community, comprised of experts and
19 leaders from the various sectors that respond to drug use in our community, released its report
20 outlining a coordinated drug strategy which is rooted in public health and safety; and

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22 **Whereas,** the Campus Welfare Committee of the University Assembly formally considered the
23 findings and recommendations of the Municipal Drug Policy Community on October 25, 2016, and it
24 was the consensus of the group to endorse these finding and recommendations; therefore

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26 **Be it resolved,** that the University Assembly formally endorses the goals and recommendations
27 outlined in the Executive Summary of “The Ithaca Plan: A Public Health and Safety Approach to
28 Drugs and Drug Policy,” namely:

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30 • **Governance and Leadership**
31 *Create a mayoral-level office tasked to reduce the morbidity, mortality, cost, and inequities*
32 *associated with illicit drugs and our current responses to them.*
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- 35 • **Education**
36 *Key stakeholders and all Ithacans should have access to evidence-based practices and*
37 *education around drugs, preventing problematic use, reducing harms associated with drug*
38 *use, and helping oneself or others who have a drug use problem.*
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- 40 • **Recovery-Oriented Treatment, Harm Reduction, and Ancillary Services**
41 *Create a recovery-oriented treatment continuum that offers access to timely, individualized,*
42 *and evidence-based, effective care, through services that are people-centered and able to*
43 *meet the needs of individuals no matter their current relationship to drug use or recovery.*
44
- 45 • **Community and Economic Development**
46 *Support and expand existing efforts to improve youth and family development, economic*
47 *opportunity, and public health of communities, targeting vulnerable communities as*
48 *immediate beneficiaries and ensuring that all Ithacans have the same access to resources*
49 *and investments.*
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- 51 • **Public Safety**
52 *Redirect law enforcement and community resources from criminalization to increasing*
53 *access to services. Encourage a shared responsibility for community health and safety that*
54 *extends beyond the Ithaca Police Department.*
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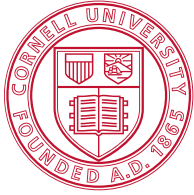
56 **Resolved**, that the University administration should partner with the City of Ithaca to advocate for
57 approval of The Ithaca Plan in the upcoming 2017 legislative session and to support the
58 implementation of the recommendations outlined in the Ithaca Plan; and
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60 **Be it Finally Resolved**, that the University administration and the City of Ithaca should formally
61 present a status update on progress made toward achieving the goals of The Ithaca Plan to the
62 University Assembly by October 2017, and on an annual basis every October thereafter until the
63 goals outlined above been achieved.

Adopted by a Vote of the Assembly (#Ayes – #Nays – #Abstentions), Month DD, YYYY,

Gabe Kaufman

Chair, University Assembly



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U.A. Resolution # 4

**2016-2017 Cornell University Campus Code of Conduct
Update Part 2: Accepting Recommendation from
Outdoor Space Working Group**

November 15, 2016

1 **Sponsored by:** Mitchell McBride, Undergraduate; Chair, Codes and Judicial Committee

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3 **On Behalf Of:** UA Codes & Judicial Committee (M. Battaglia, N. Chovanec, R. Herz, C.
4 Hodges, M. McBride, L. Munguia, N. Rogers, T. Shapiro, K. Zoner)

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7 **Whereas**, according to the University Assembly’s Charter, “By delegation from the [University]

8 Assembly, the [Codes and Judicial] Committee will review any proposed motion related to:

9 • Campus Code of Conduct;

10 • recruitment and appointment of members to the University Hearing and Review Boards.”

11 **Whereas**, President Skorton commissioned the Outdoor Space Working Group (OSWG) in 2014

12 to accomplish the following tasks, “Define what qualifies as an outdoor space that should have

13 written ‘time and place’ rules” and “Suggest how those rules should be developed, coordinated

14 and approved.”¹

15 **Whereas**, the Chair of the OSWG, James Blair, presented the groups findings and

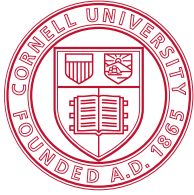
16 recommendations concerning the Campus Code of Conduct to the Codes and Judicial Committee

17 on February 2nd, 2016; and

18 **Whereas**, the recommendations were accepted by President Garrett in the summer of 2015 and

19 many recommendations are already included in the Campus Code of Conduct; and

¹ Page 2, *Outdoor Space Working Group Final Report*



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20 **Be it Resolved**, that the following paragraph be appended to the end of Title One, Article III,
21 Section B.1 of the Campus Code of Conduct, “**Only members of the Cornell community may**
22 **hold or host events on Cornell-owned property. External groups must be sponsored by a member**
23 **of the Cornell community and the sponsor must have a representative present during the actual**
24 **event. For these purposes, appropriate Cornell sponsors are: registered student organizations,**
25 **departments and units of the university, and university-sponsored organizations and offices (e.g.,**
26 **Dean of Faculty, Faculty Senate, University Assembly, etc.);”² and**

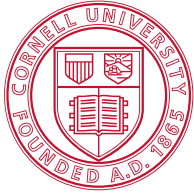
27 **Be it Resolved**, that the following paragraph be appended after the first paragraph to Title One,
28 Article III, Section B.3 of the Campus Code of Conduct, “**Use of public address systems and**
29 **amplified sound will be permitted without prior approval during the hours of 12:00pm and**
30 **1:00pm, at Ho Plaza and in front of Day Hall. Public address systems and amplified sound will**
31 **be permitted in other outdoor locations only with prior approval. Approval may be obtained**
32 **using the Event Registration Form located at: <https://activities.cornell.edu/EventReg/>.”³**

Adopted by a Vote of the Assembly (#Ayes – #Nays – #Abstentions), Month DD, YYYY,

Gabe Kaufman
Chair, University Assembly

² Appendix C, Page 1, Outdoor Space Working Group Final Report

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Cornell University
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U.A. Resolution #5

In Support of Making Cornell a Sanctuary Campus

November 29, 2016

1 **Sponsored by: Ekarina Winarto: Graduate and Professional Student Representative; UA**
2 **Ranking Member**

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4 **On Behalf Of: The University Assembly Executive Committee**

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7 **Whereas,** Cornell students, faculty, staff, and alumni have circulated a petition to make Cornell a
8 sanctuary campus;¹

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10 **Whereas,** more than 2,000 Cornell students, faculty, staff, and alumni have already signed and
11 shown their support for the Cornell petition;

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13 **Whereas,** such petitions are also circulating at over 100 other colleges and universities across the
14 country;²

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16 **Whereas,** more than 90 college and university presidents and chancellors from across the U.S. have
17 already signed a statement calling for the continuation and expansion of the Deferred Action
18 for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program;^{3,4}

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20 **Whereas,** following the United States presidential election on November 8, 2016, there has been an
21 increase in the frequency of recorded events of discriminatory and hateful action against
22 people of color, queer people, immigrants, Muslims, and other historically marginalized
23 people on and off college campuses across the U.S.;^{5,6,7}

¹https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeX2EI5TNjwCqtTDw0yYMH2ZEWDTCVcaPVjPVwtZ4vETssl_g/viewform?c=0&w=1

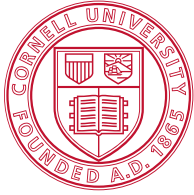
² http://www.chronicle.com/article/Could-Colleges-Become/238442?key=4Rkr4qKcf4rcS4jgH7bQLp4noe9c_BKzBFgBSMEi_k5K6_gBdJmxhCgr5EGF03ySWNq0DJ5alNSc2tLbjdhVjJDOG1PSWpPWEedKX2NpQ3pyeldxYU1GeXhyYw

³ <https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2016/11/21/college-presidents-call-continuation-obama-administration-program-protecting>

⁴ We note that neither Cornell's interim-President nor President-elect has signed this letter as of Nov 21, 2016.

⁵ <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/2016/11/12/post-election-spate-hate-crimes-worse-than-post-911-experts-say/93681294/>

⁶ <https://medium.com/@seanokane/day-1-in-trumps-america-9e4d58381001#.51zgm6ue3>



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25 **Whereas**, President Rawlings himself has also announced continued support of DACA students
26 currently on Financial Aid, and a commitment to protect diversity on campus;
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28 **Resolved**, that the UA as a body fully endorses the petition, “Make Cornell a Sanctuary Campus,”
29 and asks for demands made in the petition to be considered individually.
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31 **Be it finally resolved**, that the UA calls on Cornell administration to respond directly and make
32 more explicit commitments on issues of safety and community as they specifically affect
33 historically marginalized communities.

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Gabe Kaufman
Chair, University Assembly

⁷ <http://www.newyorker.com/news/news-desk/hate-on-the-rise-after-trumps-election>