

# **Cornell University's University Assembly**

Minutes of the April 12th, 2022 Meeting 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

401 Physical Sciences Building | Zoom

### I. Call to Order

- a. J. Feit called the meeting to order at 4:35 PM.
- b. *Members Present*: I. Akisoglu, V. Aymer, M. Benda, R. Bensel, D. Cady, N. Danev, E. DeRosa, J. Feit, B. Fortenberry, T. Fox, P. Hanley, D. Hiner, D. Howell, C. Levine, A. Ononye, J. Richards, D. Sharp, J. Withers.
- c. Members Absent: M. Louis
- d. Also Present: L. Davis Frost
- II. Land Acknowledgment of the Gayogoho:no (Cayuga Nation)
  - a. J. Feit recited the Land Acknowledgement.
- III. Approval of the Minutes (March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 and March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022)
  - a. R. Bensel motioned to approve the March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 minutes.
    - i. N. Danev seconded the motion.
    - ii. The motion passed with unanimous consent.
  - b. R. Bensel motio ned to approve the March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 minutes.
    - i. T. Fox seconded the motion.
    - ii. The motion passed with unanimous consent.

## IV. Open Forum

- a. Presentation from Liz Davis Frost Free Period Product Initiative
  - i. L. Davis-Frost presented on the Free Period Product Initiative.
  - ii. Discussion ensued on the possibility of using the SA's Student Activity Fee, approximations on cost, and the shift away from the term "mxnstrual" to "menstrual."

### V. Business of the Day

- a. Resolution #8- Examining Cornell University's Existing Waste Management Practices (including highlighted amendments)
  - i. I. Akisoglu presented the resolution and noted that the GPSA passed the resolution in their last meeting.
  - ii. I. Akisoglu motioned to call to question.
    - 1. D. Sharp seconded the motion.
    - 2. The motion passed with 17-0-1.

### VI. New Business

- a. Resolution #9 Updates to University Assembly Charter in Order to Remain Consistent with Campus Judicial Documents
  - i. J. Richards presented the resolution.



- ii. D. Sharp motioned to table the resolution.
  - 1. D. Cady seconded the motion.
  - 2. The resolution was tabled with unanimous consent.

# VII. Assembly Reports

- a. Student Assembly
  - i. A. Ononye stated that R. Bensel spoke to the SA on the tech-in about academic freedom. They also saw Resolution 52: Extending the Petitioning Deadline.
- b. Graduate and Professional Student Assembly
  - i. P. Hanley reported the GPSA passed a resolution similar to UA Resolution 8 and are preparing for elections.
- c. Employee Assembly
  - i. J. Withers reported that the EA passed a resolution in support of the Faculty Senate's Natatorium resolution. The EA saw a presentation from the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards and talked about the two vacancies on the University Hearing and Review Board. J. Withers also relayed elections are on their way.
- d. Faculty Senate
  - E. DeRosa stated that they had a faculty forum on the Part-Time Bachelor's for Non-Traditional Students and passed along the faculty feedback to the provost.

## VIII. Committee Reports

- a. Campus Welfare Committee
  - D. Howell stated that the UA Campus Crisis Response Forum should move to new business or go to the executive committee. They also state that discussion on the Civic Holiday Resolution will be held back until the fall.
- b. Campus Committee on Infrastructure, Technology, and the Environment
  - I. Akisoglu stated that there may be one more resolution coming from the CCITE and that they received a presentation on material salvage and deconstruction.
- IX. Liaison Reports
  - a. No reports.
- X. Adjournment
  - a. N. Danev motioned to adjourn.
    - i. A. Ononye seconded the motion.
    - ii. The motion passed with unanimous consent.



The meeting was adjourned at 5:23 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Kassandra Jordan Clerk of the Assembly