Cornell University Assembly
Agenda of the February 19, 2019 Meeting
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM
401, Physical Sciences Building

I. Call to Order
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   b. Welcome and Introduction
   c. Call for Late Additions to the Agenda

II. Approval of the Minutes
   a. 1-29-19 Minutes

III. Presentation by University Ombudsman

IV. Assembly, Committee, and Liaison Reports

V. New Business
   a. Resolution 2: Expressing Appreciation and Best Wishes for CUPD Chief Kathy Zoner

VI. Executive Session

VII. Adjournment

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Minutes of the January 29, 2019 Meeting
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM
401 Physical Sciences Building

I. Call to Order
   a. Call to Order
      i. M. Battaglia called the meeting to order at 4:32pm
   b. Roll Call:
      ii. Absent: L. Copman, V. Devatha, R. Howarth, L. Kenney, E. Loew, C. Van Loan
   c. Welcome and Introduction
      i. M. Battaglia welcomed everyone back to the Assembly.
   d. Call for Late Additions to the Agenda

II. Approval of the Minutes
   a. 11-13-18 Meeting Minutes
      i. There was no dissent. The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.
   b. 11-27-18 Meeting Minutes
      i. There was no dissent. The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

III. Assembly, Committee, and Liaison Reports
   a. Student Assembly
      i. D. Barbaria mentioned that there are seats open on the Student Assembly, and that special elections will be taking place in the coming weeks.
   b. Graduate and Professional Student Assembly
      i. E. Winarto said that there has been a lot of discussion on a University Core Values statement, and that Vice President for Human Resources Mary Opperman visited the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly to discuss the values statement.
   c. Employee Assembly
      i. C. Wiggers said that last semester the Employee Assembly finished working on its forum and submitted its report the Vice President for Human Resources Mary Opperman.
      ii. R. Bensel asked what the report said.

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iii. C. Wiggers said that the report said a lot, covering a broad spectrum of issues.

d. Codes and Judicial Committee
   i. There were no updates
   ii. M. Hatch asked D. Barbaria if the committee has had any contact with the University attorneys.
   iii. D. Barbaria said that that will happen very soon.

e. Campus Welfare Committee
   i. T. Onabajo said that the Campus Welfare Committee is continuing to work on the Tobacco referendum and a resolution to expand childcare facilities. She also said that the committee has one faculty representative vacancy and one employee representative vacancy.

f. Executive Committee
   i. J. Anderson said that one meeting has to be moved, as it was scheduled during February break. He asked for a show of hands, and the Assembly indicated its preference for the meeting date to be rescheduled to March 5, 2019.
   ii. J. Anderson said that the University Assembly Executive Committee will be meeting with Executive Vice President Joanne DeStefano, Provost Michael Kotlikoff, and Vice President for University Relations Joel Malina to discuss the Budget Planning Advisory Committee.
   iii. R. Bensel asked about what will be discussed at the Executive Committee meeting.
   iv. J. Anderson said that topics like the Budget Advisory Planning Committee, the Campus Code of Conduct amendments, sustainability initiatives, guest speakers, etc. will be discussed at the meeting.
   v. R. Bensel said that he suggests that someone from the Endowment Office visit the Assembly to explain why it is underperforming.

g. Campus Planning Committee
   i. K. Barth said that the committee is interested in reconnecting with the Assemblies to build relationships and establish its visibility across campus. He said that committee has often been seen as roadblock, rather than as catalyst for change. He also said that the Campus Masterplan will also be revised in the future.
ii. M. Hatch suggested that members of the University Assembly take some
time to read about and understand the committee, because it impacts the
entire University.

iii. T. Onabajo asked to what extent are the recommendations of the committee
considered by the President of the University, and how long it takes to see
recommendations implemented.

iv. K. Barth said that there was no direct answer.

v. R. Bensel asked if the Campus Planning Committee has jurisdiction in New
York City at the Cornell Tech Campus.

vi. K. Barth said that he has no knowledge of that at the moment.

vii. D. Barbaria asked if it would be possible to have the meeting dates of the
committee posted on the Office of the Assemblies website.

viii. M. Battaglia said that it should be possible.

ix. M. Hatch said that there are ways through which big endeavors emerge
without the inclusion of the Campus Planning Committee, so he said that it
would be helpful to utilize that platform as representatives of the many
different constituent groups of the University.

h. Student Health Benefits Advisory Council

i. J. Anderson said that a meeting will be happening on Friday. He said that
the council does not do very much in the spring because the Student Health
Fee recommendations have already been given to Vice President for Student
and Campus Life Lombardi.

ii. R. Bensel said that there is a shortage of psychological staff.

iii. E. Winarto said that the Council is aware but does not know what is going
to happen.

i. President’s Council on Sexual Violence Prevention

i. E. Winarto said that there has been no meeting.

j. Policy Advisory Committee

i. E. Winarto said the committee discussed Policy 4.19 – Personal and Private
Use of University Property and Facilities – which, she said, did not exist
before, but clarifies permissible, private activates in University facilities, and
how to receive approval.

IV. Adjournment

a. The meeting was adjourned at 5:13pm
U.A. Resolution # 2

Expressing Appreciation and Best Wishes for CUPD Chief Kathy Zoner

February 12, 2018

Sponsored by: Matthew Battaglia, Graduate & Professional; Chair, University Assembly


Whereas, Kathy Zoner became the Chief of Police of the Cornell University Police Department on November 4, 2009; and

Whereas, during her 27+ years of service, Chief Zoner held nearly every role in the Cornell University Police Department: Deputy Chief, Assistant Director, Captain, Lieutenant, Special Projects Manager, Sergeant, Patrol Officer, and Dispatcher before becoming the department’s female Chief of Police in 2009; and

Whereas, Chief Zoner will leave Cornell on March 4, 2019 to become director of organizational assessments at Margolis Healy; and

Whereas, while at Cornell Chief Zoner worked tirelessly to engage and serve the Cornell Community especially during periods of national discussion concerning the evolving role of policing; and

Whereas, during her time as Chief, she presented to the full Assembly numerous times concerning Cornell’s campus safety and the Cornell Police; and

Whereas, Chief Zoner served with distinction on the Assembly’s Codes & Judicial Committee for over [Waiting on Office of Assemblies for exact number] years, providing invaluable insight and feedback; and

Whereas, the Assembly greatly appreciates her years of dedicated service to the Cornell Community; therefore

Be it resolved, the members of the University Assembly express their genuine appreciation for
Kathy Zoner’s service and leadership of the Cornell University Police Department over the past decade, and

Resolved, the members of the University Assembly wish her the very best of luck as she starts her new position; and

Be it finally resolved, the University Assembly looks forward to continuing its close working relationship with her successor, Deputy Chief of Police, David Honan, and

No signature block is present until the resolution has been disposed of by the Assembly (Passed, Failed, Withdrawn, etc.) Then a block with the certifying member (customarily Chair/Vice-Chair) verifying the authenticity and vote tally of the resolution.