



# Central Student Government

## Assembly Resolution 15-111

### Community Concerns Simplification Act

#### Resolution Information

Sponsor(s)	
External author(s)	
Endorser(s)	Arden Parrish, Med
Long title	<b>A Procedural Resolution</b> to amend the process for community concerns to ensure that speakers at Central Student Government meetings are constituents of Central Student Government.
Author Summary	This resolution amends the Operating Procedures to remove CSG officials ability to speak during community concerns.

#### Assembly Information (to be completed by the Speaker)

Requirements	Reading in two separate meetings; simple majority vote; Presidential approval.
Committees	<b>RULES</b>

#### Committee Information (to be completed by the respective Committee Chairs)

Committee (if applicable)	Passed For First Reads (Y/N; Initials)	Passed For Second Reads (Y/N; Initials)
<b>Rules</b>	N/A	Y; RK
Finance		
Communications		
Resolutions		



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Attest

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Devin William Woodruff, Rackham  
Speaker of the Assembly

Yes:

No:

Abstain:

Date:

Presidential Approval

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Eric Veal Jr., LSA  
President  
Date:



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## Section 1.

**The Central Student Government Assembly finds and declares all of the following:**

**WHEREAS,**

Throughout the 15th Assembly there have been multiple occurrences in which CSG Assembly members have blatantly ignored the Operating Procedures and have discussed items on the agenda during community concerns; AND,

**WHEREAS,**

Members of the Assembly have the ability to speak at multiple points during the meeting; AND,

**WHEREAS,**

To ensure that community members are able to get as much time as possible during community concerns, this resolution proposes removing Assembly members from being able to make comments during community concerns.

## Section 2.

**THEREFORE it is, by the Students of the University of Michigan, through Central Student Government:**

**AND FINALLY RESOLVED,**

That Volume 3 Chapter 2 of the Assembly's Operating Procedures be amended following Appendix A.



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## Appendix A:

### Volume 3: Meetings of the Assembly Chapter 2. Flow of a Meeting

1. ...
2. ...
3. ...
4. ...

#### 5. **Community Concerns**

- 5.1. Any individual who wishes to speak to the Assembly may submit their name to the Chair prior to the meeting, or once this section of the agenda is reached. The Chair lists all such individuals on the agenda. Individuals may not be added once the first Community Concerns speaker has begun speaking.
  - 5.1.1. CSG Assembly members may not be added as community concerns speakers during this time.
- 5.2. Individuals speak and are listed on the agenda in the order in which their name was submitted, following order: current students, other currently University-affiliated individuals, and alumni, and all others. ~~Individuals within the same category will speak in the order their name was submitted. Members may not speak in their capacity as Members nor about any item of Assembly business during this time.~~
- 5.3. Individuals representing the same group affiliation on the same subject may pool their time such that they all speak to the Assembly in a single block. ~~The group is ordered on the agenda according to their lowest priority individual pursuant to 5.2.~~
- 5.4. 45 minutes at a minimum are allocated to Community Concerns. Time is divided evenly amongst all speakers; however, the time allocated per speaker must be at least 1 minute and at most 5 minutes.<sup>1</sup>
- 5.5. When a speaker has concluded their speaking, if at least 30 seconds remain, the time may be used for Members to ask questions of the speaker or to make comments. If time elapses, or no Member wishes to ask a question or make a comment, the Speaker moves to the individual listed next.
- 5.6. The content of this subsection must be posted or publicly available in the gallery seating area.

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<sup>1</sup> For example, if there are 10 speakers, each speaker would receive 4.5 minutes. If there are greater than 45 speakers, then each speaker would receive 1 minute, and Community Concerns would last 1 minute times the number of speakers in total.