



Central Student Government

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Rules Committee Report

Assembly Date: 1/31/2023

Meeting Date: **1/29/2023**

Resolutions for Release:

- **[AR 12-048](#): A Procedural Resolution to Update the Compiled Code to Current Standards and Plain Language**

Resolutions for Return:

- **[AR 12-043](#): A Procedural and Directive Resolution to Overhaul the Procedures of How Ethics are Handled in CSG.**
- **[AR 12-046](#): A Procedural Resolution to Amend the Consent Agenda and the structure of the Agenda**

Call to order: **3:03 PM**

Members of the Committee Present: Jarek Schmanski (Chair), Ruben Garcia (Vice Chair), Yuan Hang, Major Stevens, Ben Thomas, Ethan Neff, Jacob Amspaugh

Members of the Committee Absent:

Other Assembly Members Present: Karthik Pasupula, Tyler Fiorrito, Adam Thompson, Tyler Watt, Aarushi Ganguly

Non-Assembly Members Present: Liam Reaser

Quorum: **[Met]**/Failed to meet] (Quorum is 4, including Chair and Vice Chair)

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For Release:

AR 12-048: A Procedural Resolution to Update the Compiled Code to Current Standards and Plain Language

Notes on Discussion:

Discussed after 12-046

Rep. Ampaugh stated he is in favor of postponing consideration as he had several amendments to propose and discuss, but did not want to delay the proceedings of the committee.

Rep. Pasupula stated his main contribution was to the required training changes in the resolution and expressed concerns about the way other parts of the resolution were written, stating that the way he understands it, the resolution gets rid of many positions and the executive nominations process which may be detrimental.

Rep. Ganguly stated that she is in favor of postponing consideration of the resolution as the committee has many questions for absent authors and asked Rep. Schmanski what the general motivation for many of the changes were. Rep. Schmanski stated that according to his limited understanding, the main sentiment for the resolution was to make the executive positions less rigid in practice.

Rep. Ampaugh expressed general concern about the content of the resolution as in his view, it sets the trend for future administrations which he is against. Rep. Pasupula echoed the concerns and also stated that the current positions are not required to be filled under the current language, allowing flexibility for the executive regardless. Rep. Ampaugh also characterized the whereas clauses as mischaracterizations of the actual content of the resolution.

Vote on Resolution: Postponed Until Next Meeting

For Return:

AR 12-043: A Procedural and Directive Resolution to Overhaul the Procedures of How Ethics are Handled in CSG.

Notes on Discussion:

Discussed First

Rep. Fioritto discussed several amendments he had prepared including changes to the code of ethics relating to misuse of authorized funds and abuse of power. The committee held extensive conversation over the meaning of the language relating to misuse of funds and what constitutes an ethics violation. Rep. Pasupula voiced concerns relating to the specifics of violations relating to personally benefiting from financial allocations. General conversation was had relating to permitting Assembly members to sponsor resolutions which would financially benefit an organization they are a

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part of. It was decided to not permit sponsorships related to such instances, but permit external authorships.

Rep. Fioritto discussed proposed amendments relating to anonymity which would allow complainants to request anonymity in the event a complaint is deemed valid by CSJ.

Rep. Fioritto also proposed the idea of proxy assistance in ethics complaints, whereby another individual would offer assistance to a complainant in formulating a complaint.

Rep. Fioritto also discussed other amendments which would require the defendant to be notified in the event a complaint is deemed valid and lower the quorum of the ethics committee from 4 to 3.

Rep. Fioritto also discussed other amendments detailing the process of the Assembly's subpoena power and making the Inspector General a position appointed by the Executive.

- All discussed amendments were considered in one omnibus motion and adopted unanimously.

Vote on Resolution: Returned Unanimously

AR 12-046: A Procedural Resolution to Amend the Consent Agenda and the structure of the Agenda

Notes on Discussion:

Discussed after 12-043

Rep. Schmanski briefly summarized the resolution and stated that no changes had been made to the resolution since the committee last considered it.

Vote on Resolution: Returned Unanimously

General Discussion: None

Adjourned: **4:33 PM**

Electronic approval of the report without objection from the Members.

Attest:

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