



The State University of New York
Student Assembly

Executive Committee

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RESOLUTION

TO: Executive Committee

FROM: Joshua Ronne Altemoos, Graduate Representative – Doctoral Granting Institutions

DATE: Saturday, January 9, 2016

SUBJECT: Gender Neutral Language within the Organization’s Documents

Action Requested

That the Rules Committee of the Student Assembly of the State University of New York modify all of its governing documents, including but not limited to their bylaws and policies and procedures to ensure gender inclusivity.

Resolution

I recommend that the Student Assembly of the Student Assembly of the State University of New York (SUNYSA) adopt the following resolution:

Whereas SUNY promotes diversity and inclusion; and

Whereas SUNYSA approved the Gender Inclusivity resolution, which among other things, stresses that the “... important expression of gender inclusivity is adopting an institutional lexicon that rejects the gender binary”; and therefore, be it

Resolved that the Rules Committee review all of the governing documents, including but not limited to their bylaws and policies; and, be it further

Resolved that the Rules Committee provide modifications to the governments to ensure they reflect the wishes of the Student Assembly, ensuring that the organization rejects the gender binary within their documents; and, finally, be it

Resolved that modifications to the bylaws will be ready and submitted for approval for the April 2016 Business Meeting of the Student Assembly and any other changes to governing documents will be presented by the end of the 2015 – 2016 academic year.