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2021-0037: Student Organization Bill Sponsorship Amendment

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Understanding that no SGC documents provide clear guidelines for fair and equitable involvement of Ithaca College student organizations in Student Governance Council initiatives or elections.

Drawing attention to Article IV Section 10 Subsection 2 Sub-Subsection b of the SGC Constitution states that Student Organizations can sponsor or co-sponsor initiatives.
“b. Bills may be sponsored or co-sponsored by anyone, including outside organizations.”

Understanding that precedent has been set for student organizations having the ability to sponsor/cosponsor bills, as demonstrated in the 2020-2021 academic year.

Understanding that in some cases, initiatives that are sponsored or co-sponsored by student organizations are done so with the support of one or some members, and not necessarily the student organization as a whole.

Recognizing that in order to avoid student organizations being misrepresented in SGC matters, organizations should specify which members of the organization support initiatives when the name of the student organization is being placed on the bill.

Recognizing that student organization involvement with SGC is important to the visibility and involvedness of SGC in the Ithaca College community.

It is resolved that all student organizations wishing to co-sponsor an initiative must specify which members of the organization are supporting the co-sponsorship of the initiative.

It is resolved that Article IV Section 10 Subsection 2 Sub-Subsection b of the SGC Constitution be replaced with the following:

- b. Bills may be sponsored or co-sponsored by anyone, and may be co-sponsored by student organizations at Ithaca College.
 - i. Student organizations co-sponsoring an initiative must state the following in the co-sponsorship line of the bill:
 - 1. “Members of”, followed by the name of the student organization, followed by all members of the student organization wishing to co-sponsor the bill in parentheses.