



Organization	Cornell Forensics Society
Appropriations Recommendation	<u>Eligible for Byline Funding</u>

Rationale of the Committee

The Appropriations Committee recommends that the Cornell Forensics Society (CFS) be deemed eligible for Byline Funding. The Committee felt that CFS engages a large number of organizations, academic departments, and students through its public debates and appreciated the unique role CFS has in promoting conversation on campus regarding controversial topics. The Committee also appreciated CFS's efforts to promote debate amongst decision makers at Cornell ranging from CUPD to the Board of Trustees. Some Committee members questioned whether CFS' competitive teams were eligible for byline funding based on their limited ability to bring students to debate tournaments, but the Committee was unanimous in its support for CFS's public debates, which serve a unique and important role at Cornell.

Vote Totals

The vote totals from the Committee were as follows: 12-0-0 (eligible, ineligible, abstain)

Respectfully submitted,

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