



**Senate Resolution 1-2021**  
Submitted by Christian Potter '22, President

**Resolution**

Amending the USG Projects Board Charter to permit funding requests that meet new criteria of adherence to the Social Contract, interpersonal interaction, and efforts to integrate others during the Spring 2021 semester.

**Explanation**

The USG Senate temporarily amends the Charter of the USG Projects Board to allow its funds to be allocated to student groups for members-oriented events that meet the criteria of adherence to the Social Contract, interpersonal interaction, and efforts to integrate others during the Spring 2021 semester.

*Whereas* the COVID-19 pandemic has hindered efforts to cultivate bonds within various Princeton groups that are central to the Princeton community at large, particularly affecting how newer community members integrate, explore student groups, and engage with upperclass students,

*Whereas* the Office of the Vice President for Campus Life and the Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Students have amended the regulations surrounding in-person gatherings to allow for student groups to organize in-person gatherings of their members within the guidelines of the social contract that governs campus life in the spring 2021 semester,

*Whereas* USG's funds for the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 semesters were granted directly from the University's central funds to promote community-building, rather than from student fees:

*Now therefore be it*

*Resolved by the Senate of the Undergraduate Student Government,*

**SECTION 1.**

In accordance with §308. Committee Charters of the USG Constitution, Section 506.6 of the USG Projects Board Charter is amended as follows for the purposes of the Spring 2021 semester only:

The following provision of the Charter of the USG Projects Board is suspended

§506 Criteria for Funding (6): “the inclusiveness and openness of the event”

to allow student groups to make funding requests that meet the following criteria:

- 1) Strict adherence to the letter and spirit of Princeton University's Social Contract for Spring 2021
- 2) A primary purpose of community-building through interpersonal interaction, rather than projects that can be undertaken outside of an interpersonal context (e.g., funding gear), including reasonable requests related to senior send-offs
- 3) The group in question has made and continues to make efforts to integrate newer community members and make itself open to prospective members.

The funding to meet these requests is limited to those past and future allocations by the USG Senate to Projects Board of funds directly from central University funds and not from student fees.

## **SECTION 2.**

This resolution becomes effective upon approval by a majority of the Senate in accordance with Section 308(c)(2) of the Senate Constitution.

Approved March 28, 2021.

With \_\_\_ voting members of the Senate present and  
By a vote of \_\_\_ in favor, \_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_ in abstention

Ashwin Mahadevan '22,  
*Vice President of the Undergraduate Student Government and  
Presiding Officer of the Senate*

Attest:

Josephine Kim '23  
*Executive Secretary of the Senate*