



Cornell University Student Assembly

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Type of Action:	Byline Report
Status/Result:	New Business

Organization	Cornell Alternative Breaks
2014-2016 Allocation	\$1.50
2016-2018 Request	\$1.50
Appropriations Recommendation	\$1.50

Rationale of the Committee

The Appropriations Committee recommends funding Alternative Breaks at \$1.50 for the 2016-2018 By-Line Funding Cycle. The Committee was very impressed with both the breadth and depth of the analysis done by Alternative Breaks and recognizes the substantial amount of work each member of the organization invests to ensure that the program will succeed. The Committee felt like the budget footnotes represent a best practice within byline organizations and they appreciate the time dedicated to responding to concerns from the Appropriations Committee. Moving forward, the Committee encourages Alternative Breaks to both search for alternative funding to expand their program and potentially request an increase from the Student Activity Fee if that funding is unavailable. Finally, the Appropriations Committee does not necessarily disagree with the decision to have both rural and urban trips, but they believe that a further justification needs to exist to support the argument that rural trips should be undertaken in Florida and West Virginia rather than a potentially more cost-effective option like rural New York.

Vote Totals

The Committee votes down, from the highest number proposed to the lowest, to give the group the advantage. The vote totals from the Committee were as follows:

Amount	Vote
\$1.50	11-0-2

Respectfully submitted,

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Appeal

No appeal.