

GENERAL SENATE MEETING

Student Government Association/UConn Stamford

Meeting called to order by President – Chinedu Nkwo
Date | time: 07/15/2021 6:35 PM **Total Voting Members: 8 Quorum: 5**

Officer/Director/Senator/Advisor Attendance

- President – Chinedu Nkwo
- Vice President – Sabrina Uva
- CFO – Alyssa Pelletier
- CAO – Anejah McLaurin
- Stu. Activities Coord./UConn – Gayle Riquier (non voting)
- Stu. Activities Coord./UConn – Shona Evans (non voting)
- Program Director – Miraal Masqood (absent)
- Program Director – Nahum Valiente
- Program Director – Allison Manevich (emailed her absence)
- Program Director – Brenda Rivadenevra

Special Meeting of the Senate

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President- Chinedu Nkwo

Overview of the Meeting

- ❖ We are going to looking over our FY 22 budget with our finalized changes and approving the new budget in this meeting to be able use the new budget for the upcoming semester.
- ❖ We had an old budget that we approved before but since we will be getting a much larger student population in the upcoming semester, we thought it will be smart to go back to redo the budget.
- ❖ Also, we will be taking care of some organizational business as well.

Vice President- Sabrina Uva

Welcome Week Plan Schedule

- ❖ Welcome week events will take place in the first week of the semester starts.
- ❖ We are planning events like food trucks, self-care kits, and lawn games, and other outdoor events.

Program Director Update

- ❖ Sabrina is currently working with our Program Directors to start planning featured events for the fall semester.
- ❖ Since there was a vacancy in one of the Program Director positions, we will be swearing in someone later in this meeting.

Chief Financial Officer- Alyssa Pelletier

Discussion on the Budget

- ❖ We are going over our new budget that we've created, and the budget is a sum of all of the expenditures for throughout the year, and the money that will be directed by our program directors is going to be spent towards specific events that we're going to be planning for this upcoming academic year.
- ❖ Here's a copy of the **FY 22 Budget**:

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Distress Event	supplies, contracts, and refreshments.	\$4,000.00	7/15/2021	
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Fall RSOs	\$24,000
Spring SGA	\$71,250
Spring RSOs	\$24,000
Annual SGA	\$18,500
Total	\$218,000

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❖ SGA, Reallocation of the Budget

Description of proposal: The Student Government Association would like to reallocate funds, request additional funds, and remove funding for various events planned for this upcoming academic year's Fall and Spring semesters. These changes are intended to ensure that the budget is allocated for UConn Stamford SGA events in a way that will best serve the interests of Stamford Undergraduate fee-paying students. To see the budget more clarity, please see **Attachment 1** at the bottom of the minutes.

Discussion: None

Motion to: rescind all prior FY22 approved budget approvals for SGA

Moved by: Alyssa Pelletier

Seconded by: Sabrina Uva

Voting results: 6 :**Approved**

Motion Passes

0 :**Opposed**

1 :**Abstained** (more information in the Voting Results section)

Discussion: None

Motion to: approve the new/revised budget

Moved by: Alyssa Pelletier

Seconded by: Nahum Valiente

Voting results: 6 :**Approved**

Motion Passes

0 :**Opposed**

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Chief Administrative Officer- Anejah McLaurin

Senator Appointment

❖ Jennifer Criollo

Motion to: sworn in the following individual above

Moved by: Anejah McLaurin

Seconded by: Sabrina Uva

Voting results: 6 :Approved

Motion Passes

0 :Opposed

1 :Abstained (more information in the Voting Results section)

Advisor- Gayle Riquier

Gayle.Riquier@UConn.edu

- ❖ Make sure you are vaccinated before the upcoming semester
- ❖ Involvement Fair is September 9th in the afternoon, starting around 2
- ❖ More information will be out in August
- ❖ If you have questions, email Gayle at gayle.riquier@uconn.edu

Next Meeting/Adjournment

Next regular meeting will be announced via “this week on campus”/Stamford Campus listserv.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:01 and was passed:

6 :Approved

0 :Opposed

1 :Abstained

Approval:

Anejah McLaurin

Anejah McLaurin – Chief Administrative Officer/SGA

gayle riquier

Gayle Riquier – Student Activities Coordinator/UConn

Date

Date

Guests in Attendance:

Chinedu	Nkwo
Sabrina	Uva
Alyssa	Pelletier
Anejah	McLaurin
Nahum	Valiente
Brenda	Rivadenevra
Jennifer	Criollo
Emily	Cervantes
Alexis	Pollock
Jennifer	Collantes Milla
Mary	Attah-Agyeman
Haley	Guerrero

Voting Results

1.Motion to start meeting

A. In Favor	5/11 (45%)
B. Opposed	0/11 (0%)

C. Abstained	1/11 (10%)
D. Non-Voting/Guest	5/11 (45%)
No Answer	0/11 (0%)

	A	B	C	D

Chinedu Nkwo (he, him, his) (internal)			X	
Alyssa Pelletier	X			
Emily Cervantes				X
jennifer c				X
Jennifer Collantes Milla (internal)				X
Sabrina Uva	X			
Gayle Riquier (internal)				X
Nahum Valiente	X			
brenda rivadeneyra	X			
Alexis Pollock				X
Anejah McLaurin (internal)	X			

2.Motion to rescind all prior FY22 approved budget approvals for SGA

A. In Favor	6/13 (46%)
B. Opposed	0/13 (0%)
C. Abstained	1/13 (8%)
D. Non-Voting/Guest	6/13 (46%)
No Answer	0/13 (0%)

	A	B	C	D

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Alyssa Pelletier	X			
Emily Cervantes				X
jennifer c				X
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Mary Attah-Agyeman				X
Sabrina Uva	X			
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Nahum Valiente	X			
brenda rivadeneyra	X			
Haley Guerrero	X			
Alexis Pollock				X
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3.Motion to approve the new/revised budget

A. In Favor	6/13 (46%)
B. Opposed	0/13 (0%)
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Haley Guerrero				X	
Alexis Pollock				X	
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4.Motion to sworn in the following individual above

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5.Motion to adjourn meeting

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