# **GENERAL SENATE MEETING**

# Student Government Association/UConn Stamford

Meeting called to order by President – Chinedu Nkwo Date | time:11/4/2021 6:07 PM Total Voting Members: 16 Quorum: 9

## Officer/Director/Advisor Attendance

- 🛛 President Chinedu Nkwo
- 🛛 Vice President Sabrina Uva
- $\boxtimes$  CFO Alyssa Pelletier
- $\boxtimes$  CAO Anejah McLaurin

Stu. Activities Coord./UConn – Gayle Riquier (non-voting)

- ⊠ Program Director Nahum Valiente
- ⊠ Program Director- Jennifer Criollo

#### Senator Attendance

- □ Nicholas Marini (absent)
  ☑ Sofia Dadamo
  □ Ankith Nagabandi
  □ James Shiang
  ☑ Adam Barker
  ☑ Ananya Viswanathan
- ☑ Kendra Velasquez
  ☑ Anna Rose Thlemaque
  ☑ Zoe Stewart
  ☑ Vaughan-Piccirllo-Sealey

#### Approval of Minutes

Motion to: Approve the meeting minutes from 10/28/2021Moved by: Anejah McLaurinSeconded by: Jennifer CriolloVoting results: UnanimousMotion: Passes

Minutes for all meetings are posted on the web at <u>http://sga.stamford.uconn.edu/meeting-minutes/</u> within 48 hours of the meeting. Senators should visit the site to review for accuracy before the next scheduled meeting.

#### President – Chinedu Nkwo

StamfordSGA-President@UConn.edu

#### Another Special Election-Final Nominations for VP

- > These are the final candidates for our election:
  - o Jennifer Criollo
  - o Miraal Maqsood

- o Nahum Valiente
- After this meeting, we will submit our candidate's names and bios to Storrs to be officially put on the ballot and from there the campaign period will start from *tomorrow to next Sunday*.
- The following Monday (November 15th) will be the start of the election at 12 PM and it will end the next day at 12 PM as well. The election violation period will occur right afterward for 24 hours.
- > We should have the results of the election by our next GSM Meeting on that Thursday!

#### **Bias Action Group (continued)**

Last week, we were in contact with Dean Daugherty about meeting to talk about the bias action group. Due to the COVID Forum that took place online, we were unable to meet in person as planned to discuss it in person. We are taking steps now to organize a better time to meet with her, and the Chief Diversity Officer of USG to talk more about it in the coming weeks. We will have more information next week!

#### COVID Forum

- On Friday of last week, the director of Stamford (David Souder) and myself participated in a virtual COVID FORUM for our students where we answered questions that were pertinent to the students for the upcoming fall semester or otherwise. Members of USG Storrs, Student Services Staff from Stamford, and a physician from UConn Health were present at the meeting to give their professional and personal opinions on how the students were taking the pandemic and the impact of it on our students as a whole.
- We will have more information on the video and transcript next week for those that would want it by next week! Reach out to me for more information!

#### Provost Leadership Lunch (11/12)

- UConn Stamford will be hosting a lunch with the office of the provost leadership at 12 PM. The intent is for students to attend and ask questions of the leadership since they don't come down here that often. If you have a gripe or an idea to make UConn Stamford better, these people would be those to speak to.
  - Frank Tuitt Chief Diversity Officer
  - Gladis Kersaint Vice Provost for Strategic Initiatives
  - Jeffrey Shoulson Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs
  - Kristi Henderson Chief of Staff and Assistant Vice Provost for Strategic Communications
  - Michael Bradford Vice Provost for Faculty, Staff and Student Development
- > Communication will be sent out tomorrow through email! All are welcome. Pizza will be provided!

#### Vice President – Sabrina Uva

StamfordSGA-VP@UConn.edu

#### **Programming Events**

#### Nahum and Miraal- Tote Bag Event

- November 29<sup>th</sup>
- There will be a tote bag event where students will be given a free tote bag and free art supplies to design their bags
- > Supplies will include the option between paint or fabric markers, this will be a grab and go event
- Location: Rich Concourse
- ➢ Time: TBD
- If you have any questions, please email Nahum or Miraal through their emails: <u>nahum.valiente@uconn.edu</u> and miraal.magsood@uconn.edu

#### Movie Night

- ➤ Eternals
- > The first showing is at **6 PM** (few tickets left for the next showing)
- > The second showing is at 9:30 PM
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#### **De -stress: Jennifer**

- Monday 12/6 -SMASH Rage Room
- **Location:** TBD
- ➤ Time: 1-4
- ➢ Tuesday 12/7- Pet Therapy
- Location: Schreiber Reading Room 253
- **≻ Time:** 2-4pm
- > Thursday 12/9- Finals Bags (Grab and Go)
  - Grab and go bags includes: adult coloring books, tea bags, pop it toy, blanket, and candy canes
- Location: Room 202 (Student Activities Window)
- **≻ Time:** 1-4pm
- If you have any questions or would like to volunteer at her event, please email Jennifer through (jennifer.criollo@uconn.edu)

#### Chief Financial Officer – Alyssa Pelletier

StamfordSGA-CFO@UConn.edu

#### **Funding Proposals**

Financial Management, MarketWatch Challenge

**Description of the event:** Students will compete online to build a stock portfolio to try to beat the market and other competitors. All trades are made on the MarketWatch website and utilize pretend money to build a portfolio that adjusts real-time to the stock market.

**Tentative Date:** 12/06/2021 (first day of the competition) **Expected Attendance:** 20 (My Organization's Members, (100) UConn Stamford Undergraduate Students)

Motion to: approve up to \$380 for **giveaway items** (for all participants), **prizes** (for winners) to be used by the Financial Management Club for MarketWatch Challenge event

Moved by: Sabrina Uva	Seconded by: Nahum Valiente
Voting results: Unanimous	Motion: Passes

## Chief Administrative Officer – Anejah McLaurin

StamfordSGA@UConn.edu

#### Senator Resignation

Ankith Nagabandi

Motion to: resign the following individual from the Senator role

Moved by: Anejah McLaurin	Seconded by: Nahum Valiente
Voting results: Unanimous	Motion Passes

#### Senator Forms

Make sure you fill out the Senator Form on our website @sga.stamford.uconn.edu/member form/

Advisor- Gayle Riquier Gayle.Riquier@UConn.edu
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- > If you are interested being in a film, there's a film coming up on November 19<sup>th</sup>
- > Here's the email about the film:
- We are a New York-based casting company that is working on the Netflix film "Mr. Harrigan's Phone" based on the Stephen King story. Our office came across your information on the UConn website and wanted to reach out about upcoming background work opportunities.
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- Our production will be shooting on the UConn-Stamford campus the day of Friday 11/19. We are seeking actual students to participate. Covid Testing would be required followed by the mandate listed below.
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- This production has a mandatory vaccination policy and requires all cast & Zone A crew to be fully vaccinated with the COVID-19 vaccine (Pfizer, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson) or have a disability or sincerely held religious belief that prevents vaccination. If you meet this criteria, please submit without providing any additional information at this time. If you are selected, you will be given separate information on how to provide evidence to the production that you are fully vaccinated or to request an accommodation of any disability or a sincerely held religious belief. Any job offer will be conditioned on satisfactorily testing negative for COVID and showing evidence of vaccination or being granted an accommodation of a disability or sincerely held religious belief by the Employer.
- We are exploring all avenues in an attempt to get the word out to the UConn-Stamford community and surrounding area. I have attached a flyer with more information.



Please let us know if you have any suggestions for organizations or individuals to contact who would be helpful in spreading the word. Feel free to share the flyer.

#### Announcements

- > Contact SGA officers to ask questions:
  - Chinedu: <u>StamfordSGA-President@uconn.edu</u>
  - Sabrina: <u>StamfordSGA-VP@uconn.edu</u>
  - o Alyssa: <u>StamfordSGA-CFO@uconn.edu</u>
  - o Anejah: <u>StamfordSGA@uconn.edu</u>
- Make sure you fill out the Senator Form on our website @sga.stamford.uconn.edu/member form/

Next Meeting/Adjournment

#### 11/11/2021 6:00 PM - Room 129

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:38

Voting results: Unanimous Motion Passes

Approval:

Anejah McLaurin – Chief Administrative	
Officer/SGA	

Gayle Riquier – Student Activities Coordinator/UConn

#### Date

Date

## **Guests in Attendance:**

Adam	Barker
Sofia	Dadamo
Brian	Jerez
Vaughan	Piccirillo-Sealey
Nahum	Valiente
Zoe	Stewart
Diamond	Bakare
Anna Rose	Thelemaque
Junior	Lara
Kendra	Velasquez
Ananya	Viswanathan
Chinedu	Nkwo
Sabrina	Uva
Alyssa	Pelletier
Anejah	McLaurin