Meeting called to order by President – Sabrina Uva
Date | time: 3/10/2022 5:06 PM Total Voting Members: 13 Quorum: 7

Officer/Director/Advisor Attendance

☒ President – Sabrina Uva
☒ Vice President – Nahum Valiente
☒ CFO – Jennifer Criollo
☒ CAO – Ananya Viswanathan
☒ Stu. Activities Coord. /UConn – Gayle Riquier (non-voting)
☐ Program Director - Susan Chen
☐ Program Director - Vaughan Piccirillo Sealey
☐ Program Director - Miraal Maqsood
☒ Program Director - Diamond Bakare
☐ Program Director - Evan Dingle
☒ Program Director - Chelsea Valdez

Senator Attendance

☒ Adam Barker
☒ Jozef Lopez
☒ Kevin Quezada
☒ Kendra Velasquez

Approval of Minutes

➢ Motion to: Approve the meeting minutes from 3/3/2022
Moved by: Ananya Viswanathan Seconded by: Diamond Bakare
Voting results: Unanimous Motion: Passes

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

Election Results
Nahum Valiente – President
Vaughan Piccirillo-Sealey – Vice President
Ananya Viswanathan – Chief Administrative Officer

CFO Special Election Nominations
➢ Kevin Quezada
➢ Johnson Celestin
➢ Mary Attah Agyeman
EOC Nominations
➢ Nahum Valiente
➢ Nicholas Marini

Special CFO Election Tentative Timeline
3/10 Open nominations EOC and Special Election
3/24 Close nominations
3/28-4/1 Campaign period
4/4 noon - 4/5 noon Election Period
4/6 Violation period and certify with EOC
4/7 Announce results

Food Pantry
UConn Stamford students are working to address food insecurity on campus and are co committed to providing students with access to students in need to reach their full potential.

Dr. Bunyan's Sociology of Food class started a food pantry on campus where students can get FREE food. If you would like free food, please stop by! We would like to keep the food pantry open on a consistent basis.

Please reach out with any questions: Laura.Bunyan@uconn.edu.

Wellness Coordinator
We, the undersigned, are calling for a full-time wellness coordinator on the Stamford campus to provide support and resources for students who have experienced the following:

- Gender/race/class/sexuality-based harassment, discrimination, and violence
- Alcohol/drug abuse
- Food insecurity
- Other health issues, including mental health issues

In addition, the wellness coordinator would provide educational programs on:

- Healthy sexuality
- Safe alcohol/drug use
- Anxiety and stress
- Virus transmissions and vaccines

A full-time wellness coordinator would bring much-needed support to students across a wide range of health issues. Furthermore, the coordinator would complement, support, and expand on the excellent work of the case managers in our Mental Health Resource Center.

1. Ingrid Semaan, Department of Sociology, UConn Stamford
2. Richard Watnick, Department of Mathematics, UConn Stamford
3. Pamela Bramble, Department of Art and Art History, UConn Stamford
4. Laura Bunyan, Department of Sociology, UConn Stamford
5. Oskar Harmon, Department of Economics, UConn Stamford
6. Claudia Kraemer EEB Department, UConn Stamford
7. Pamela Allen Brown, Department of English
8. Frederick Roden, English, Judaic Studies, WGSS, UCONN
If you are interested in signing on to the wellness coordinator statement, use this link to add your name, title, and campus.

**Food Insecurity**

Husky Market Card distribution has been going on for two weeks. Approximately 5 emails have been sent to students with detailed information on where/how to sign up to receive their card. In the communication sent to recipients, it has been offered that should the available times not fit into their schedule arrangements can be made by emailing Gayle directly. Several students have been non-responsible with claiming their cards. We need to decide what to do with the unclaimed cards.

We have asked folks in USG and TSOS for some guidance on what the options are available/recommended. Since there is no plan to re-create the program, and no Stamford “waitlist” for the Fall 2021 Husky Market, we believe we should utilize the cards with the spirit for which the money was originally allocated - to alleviate food insecurity concerns for students. This said, it is our recommendation that we use the unclaimed cards to purchase groceries for the Stamford Campus Food Pantry.

**Motion to:** approve the utilization of unclaimed Husky Market Cards to purchase groceries for distribution through the Stamford Campus Food Pantry.

Moved by: Nahum Valiente          Seconded by: Jennifer Criollo
Voting results: Unanimous          Motion: Passes


**Menstrual Equity**
Sabrina Uva testified at the Public Health Committee for HB 5272 An Act Concerning Menstrual Products which is a step towards creating more access to period supplies in public schools and universities including UConn.

Link to the YouTube Livestream: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVar8mw8ZBydf7-nD_beT3Q/live](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVar8mw8ZBydf7-nD_beT3Q/live)
Link to bill: [https://www.cga.ct.gov/2022/TOB/H/PDF/2022HB-05272-R00-HB.PDF](https://www.cga.ct.gov/2022/TOB/H/PDF/2022HB-05272-R00-HB.PDF)
Testimony FAQ :

**Title IX Committee Update**
Meeting with Letissa C. Reid, J.D. Associate Vice President Title IX Coordinator & ADA Coordinator, and Kim Caprio, Ed.D. Director of Title IX Compliance and Deputy Title IX Coordinator

- Visit the following website for information on Title IX [https://titleix.uconn.edu/title-ix](https://titleix.uconn.edu/title-ix)
- Contact: kimberly.caprio@uconn.edu, letissa.reid@uconn.edu

Sexual Assault Legislation
- Sabrina Uva was a sponsor of A Resolution on the Reconstruction of Sexual Assault Education at UConn.

Student Government calls on the University’s Title IX Office and the UConn administration to reform and restructure the mandated sexual assault education to include:

1. Mandated sexual violence prevention education every year that discusses:
   a. What are the impacts of sexual violence on victims through more comprehensive modules
   b. How intersectional identities impact experience of gender-based violence differently
   c. Accessible resources for survivors; safe spaces available for students impacted by sexual assault,
   d. stalkings, harassment, or any other form of sexual violence
   e. Resources for community members and friends on how to properly support survivors
   f. How to engage someone you know to be a perpetrator of sexual assault and manage that relationship
   g. What to do if a person thinks they may be a perpetrator of sexual violence

2. A yearly in-person education requirement that may be fulfilled through:
   a. Student’s First Year Experience courses that encourages discourse among students that is significantly more comprehensive than what is currently required, including:
      i. How to reduce societal pressures to engage in sexual activity
      ii. How to dispel perceptions that forced sexual activity is socially acceptable
   b. Subsequent in-person workshops and other events offered throughout the year.

This legislation passed unanimously through the USG Senate yesterday.

**President’s Task Force on Combating Sexual Violence and Supporting our Students**
The President’s Task Force on Combating Sexual Violence and Supporting our Students is charged with evaluating how the University of Connecticut educates, prevents and responds to sexual violence. This includes how students are educated on the topics of sexual violence, the standard of consent, healthy relationships, incapacitation, and bystander programs. In addition, this committee is charged with the intentional review of all relevant procedures designed to support students who are participating in the process of reporting sexual violence including how policy, process, Title IX obligations, and support are shared with students.

- Here is the website for the task force that can be found off of the Office of the President’s Communications page. [https://president.uconn.edu/communications/combating-sexual-violence-supporting-our-students/](https://president.uconn.edu/communications/combating-sexual-violence-supporting-our-students/)
- This website will be updated after each meeting with links to the presentations that are given to the task force. The first meeting’s presentations can be found there at this moment in time.
Movie Nights
- Movie: The Batman: 100/100
- Look into increasing amount of tickets in the future for popular movies

RPM Raceway: Today 3/10 – Miraal
- Time: 5PM-9PM
- Capacity: 100 people first come first serve
- Includes: 2 Races and a $5 Gift card to arcade

Multicultural Event: Vaughan Piccirillo-Sealey
- Form is closed
- Many nations will be represented, will be working on the event during spring break

Student Leader Banquet
- When: April 20th (Wednesday) TENTATIVE
- Time: TBD
- Location: Auditorium (Room 1.09)
- Form: Will go out soon

Future programming for 2022-2023
- Change formatting of Committees
- Applications for Program Directors will go out soon
- Directors shall be appointed by the Vice President, by the means stated in Article VI of the Bylaws.

To be appointed as a Director, an individual must meet the following criteria:
(a) Maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5 (current semester and cumulative) at the time of nomination and at all times during their term of appointment
(b) Have served as a Senator or Committee Member for at least one semester

Responsibilities of each Director are:
(a) Lead their respective committees in the event-planning process
(b) Delegate tasks to their Committee Members in an efficient manner
(c) Complete necessary financial documentation pertaining to their respective events

Upcoming Events
- Poetry Slam - Diamond x ACCC
- Six Flags - Nahum
- De-stress week – Nahum, Susan and Diamond
- Sip and Paint – Diamond

Chief Financial Officer – Jennifer Criollo

Funding Proposals:
➢ Politics Club, Voter Registration Drive

Description of the event: Students will have the opportunity to register to vote, check on their voter registration to ensure all their information is right, and be aware of their polling location. Students will learn about candidates running this year in the upcoming Midterm Elections. Water bottles and candy will be provided.

Tentative Date: March 29, 2022
Expected Attendance: All UConn undergraduate students

Motion to: approve up to $880 for Snacks/Refreshments for Politics Club Registration

Moved by: Jennifer Criollo Seconded by: Kevin Quezada
Voting results: Unanimous Motion: Passes

➢ Huskies for Charity, Dress for Success

Description of the event: Students have the opportunity to attend a professional clothing drive, and grab free clothing. This helps support students' professional brand by providing them clothing for internships, jobs, interviews, etc.

Tentative Date: March 21-22, 2022
Expected Attendance: All UConn undergraduate students

Motion to: approve up to $190 for Snacks/Refreshments & Supplies/Equipment for Huskies for Charity, Dress for Success event

Moved by: Jennifer Criollo Seconded by: Jozef Lopez
Voting results: Unanimous Motion: Passes

➢ Huskies for Charity, First Generation Panelist Event

Description of the event: The panelist event will give students the ability to hear from first generation UConn students, alumni, and faculty. They will learn about their experience and receive advice, as well as network. There will be snacks and beverages provided.

Tentative Date: April 13, 2022
Expected Attendance: All UConn undergraduate students

Motion to: approve up to $215 for Snacks/Refreshments for Huskies for Charity, First Generation Panelist Event

Moved by: Jennifer Criollo Seconded by: Kevin Quezada
Voting results: Unanimous Motion: Passes

➢ Huskies for Charity, Alzheimers Awareness

Description of the event: Students will learn more about Alzheimer's disease through interactive activities. They will create their own sensory toys and pieces of a fidget blanket that individuals with Alzheimer's use to relieve their stress. They will also learn from a guest speaker that will be hosting an information session on the difference between Alzheimer's and Dementia, as well as effective communication with individuals with Alzheimer's.

Tentative Date: April 7, 2022
Expected Attendance: All UConn undergraduate students

Motion to: approve up to $505 for Supplies/Equipment & Giveaway items for Huskies for Charity, Alzheimers Awareness event

Moved by: Jennifer Criollo Seconded by: Jozef Lopez
Voting results: Unanimous Motion: Passes
Senator Appointments

➢ Gabriel Gonzalez

➢ Motion to: Approve the individual above as senator

Moved by: Ananya Viswanathan  Seconded by: Jozef Lopez
Voting results: Unanimous  Motion: Passes

Member Form
If anyone is interested in becoming a senator, please complete the member form.

Advisor- Gayle Riquier

➢ None

Announcements

➢ Contact SGA officers to ask questions:
  o Sabrina: StamfordSGA-President@uconn.edu
  o Nahum: StamfordSGA-VP@uconn.edu
  o Jennifer: StamfordSGA-CFO@uconn.edu
  o Ananya: StamfordSGA@uconn.edu

Next Meeting/Adjournment

3/10/2022 5:00 PM – Rm 317A

Motion to adjourn was made at 5:40PM

Motion moved by: Nahum Valiente  Seconded by: Jennifer Criollo
Voting results: Unanimous  Motion: Passes

Next meeting will occur on 3/24/2022.

Approval:

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Chief Administrative Officer/SGA  Gayle Riquier – Student Activities Coordinator/UConn
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