

# GENERAL SENATE MEETING

Student Government Association/UConn Stamford

**Meeting called to order by** President – Nahum Valiente  
**Date | time:** 1/24/2022 1:14 PM **Total Voting Members: 9 Quorum:**

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## Officer/Director/Advisor Attendance

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> President – Nahum Valiente                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Program Director- Kojo Aurelien              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interim Vice President – Alexis Pollock         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program Director- Susan Chen      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CFO – Kevin Quezada                             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program Director- Evan Dingle     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAO – Ananya Viswanathan                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program Director- Mohammed Ruwaid |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stu. Activities Coord. /UConn – Gayle Riquier (non-voting) | <input type="checkbox"/> Program Director- Madina Mamedli             |

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## Senator Attendance

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## Approval of Minutes

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- **Motion to:** Approve the meeting minutes from 12/8/2022
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| <b>Moved by:</b> Ananya Viswanathan | <b>Seconded by:</b> Evan Dingle |
| <b>Voting results:</b> Unanimous    | <b>Motion:</b> 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.

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President – Nahum Valiente

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## Welcome Back Huskies!

- We have a great semester ahead of us!
- Looking forward to working with everyone

## Special Election for VP

- Voting has started, will end tomorrow at noon
- Emily Cerevantes is running unopposed.

## Corey Paris Visit

- State Rep. Corey Paris will visit campus to discuss issues concerning students and our local community.
- **When:** Tuesday, January 31st, 12:30PM
- **Where:** Auditorium
- All are welcome! This is an event organized by the University

## More things to come

- SGA working with other Campus Student Governments in support of State Legislation
- Spring General Election
- Changes to the Constitution

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Interim Vice President – Alexis Pollock

StamfordSGA-VP@UConn.edu

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## Welcome Week

- Thank you to all volunteers
- Total Attendance (expecting kits sell out) **455**
  - Good numbers considering Spring Welcome Week is made to be scaled down compared to Fall

## Program Directors

- Applications will go live this semester!
- Term will be from Fall 2023 - Spring 2024

## Upcoming Events:

### Bowling Night

- **When:** Thursday, Feb 9th, 5:30pm - 7:00pm
- **Where:** RPM
- Free admission to the Bowling Alley will be provided!

### Valentine's Day

- **When:** Tuesday, February 14th
- **Where:** Auditorium
- More details to come

### Ski Trip Collaboration with Student Activities

- **Deception:** Hit the slopes on Friday, Feb 24th at Thunder Ridge. Plenty of room on our coach bus to bring your own equipment, or feel free to add on rentals or beginner lessons. Check-in begins 2:45 PM | Bus Departs UConn Stamford Parking Lot at 3:15 PM **Sales close 2/17/23**
- **Link to ticket sales:**  
[https://secure.touchnet.com/C21646\\_ustores/web/product\\_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=3572](https://secure.touchnet.com/C21646_ustores/web/product_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=3572)

Much more events to come 😊

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Chief Financial Officer – Kevin Quezada

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## **MSA, Henna and Paint Night**

**Tentative Date: February 20, 2023**

**Description of Proposal:** Henna and Paint Night is an event where we will have a henna artist do designs for undergraduate students and optional painting on the side. This event will be open to all undergraduate students at Stamford. While the students wait for their turn for henna, they will be allowed to paint a canvas with the supplies provided (canvas, paint, and brushes). We will have food and drinks available. This event will be a socializing night for all students to meet people and have fun with their friends. This is a repeated event from Fall 2022 that proved to be very successful and had a big turnout

**Motion to** approve Muslim Student Assoc- Henna and Paint Night - S23 (req. 0102). For purchases not to exceed \$1,850.00 in the following categories Catering/Refreshments, Supplies/Equipment (purchase), Services/Contracts.

**Moved by:** Kevin Quezada

**Seconded by:** Evan Dingle

**Voting results:** Unanimous

**Motion:** Passes

### **MSA, World Hijab Day**

**Tentative Date:** February 16, 2023

**Description of proposal:** We will have tables in the concourse where we will provide scarves for students on campus that want to partake in World Hijab Day. Students have the choice to take the scarf with them or allow MSA members to put the scarf on them as Muslim women and men wear. Students will show their support to Muslim women that chose to cover their heads.

**Motion to:** approve Muslim Student Assoc- World Hijab Day (req. 0119). For purchases not to exceed \$800.00 in the following categories Supplies/Equipment (purchase).

**Moved by:** Kevin Quezada

**Seconded by:** Alexis Pollock

**Voting results:** Unanimous

**Motion:** Passes

### **HuskyHoops, Brooklyn Nets vs. Cleveland Cavaliers Trip**

**Tentative Date:** March 23, 2023

**Description of Proposal:** Stamford students will have a once-in-a-lifetime experience to see some of their favorite NBA players duke it out in the lively Barclays Center of Brooklyn, NY. There are only ~~44~~ 44 available tickets that will be exclusive to Stamford students. Kevin “Slim Reaper” Durant and his Nets will face off against Donovan “Spida” Mitchell and the young Cavs core on Thursday night at 7:30 P.M. Transportation will be provided to the venue and back.

**Motion to** approve HuskyHoops - Stamford Campus- Brooklyn Nets vs. Cleveland Cavaliers Trip (req. 0100). For purchases not to exceed \$2,970.00 in the following categories Admission Fees, Staffing (Student Activities, Security, IT, Facilities).

**Moved by:** Kevin Quezada

**Seconded by:** Mohammed Ruwaid

**Voting results:** Unanimous

**Motion:** Passes

### **HuskyHoops, Brooklyn Nets vs. Orlando Magic Trip**

**Tentative Date:** April 7, 2023

**Description of Proposal:** Stamford students will have a once-in-a-lifetime experience to see some of their favorite NBA players duke it out in the lively Barclays Center of Brooklyn, NY. There are only 44 available tickets that will be exclusive to Stamford students. Kevin “Slim Reaper” Durant and his Nets will face off against the likes of Paolo Banchero and 7’2” unicorn Bol Bol. Will take place on Friday night at 7:30 P.M. Transportation will be provided to the venue and back.

**Motion to** approve HuskyHoops - Stamford Campus- Brooklyn Nets vs. Orlando Magic Trip (req. 0111). For purchases not to exceed \$3,395.00 in the following categories Admission Fees, Staffing (Student Activities, Security, IT, Facilities).

**Moved by:** Kevin Quezada

**Seconded by:** Alexis Pollock

**Voting results:** Unanimous

**Motion:** Passes

### **First-Generation Students- FAFSA Celebration**

**Tentative Date:** February 16, 2023

**Description of Proposal:** The FAFSA process is a stressful time for many students, and accomplishing this task is important to receive aid for their education. We want students to enjoy completing this task in a relaxing and fun environment. Our goal is to support those students that may have struggled completing this task.

**Motion to** approve First-Generation Students- FAFSA Celebration (req. 0105). For purchases not to exceed \$850.00 in the following categories Catering/Refreshments, Supplies/Equipment (purchase).

**Moved by:** Kevin Quezada  
**Voting results:** Unanimous

**Seconded by:** Evan Dingle  
**Motion:** Passes

### **First-Generation Students- End of Semester Spring Celebration**

**Tentative Date:** April 18, 2023

**Description of Proposal:** In collaboration with Gay Space, This event is for students to unwind and have fun. As an end of the semester event, we would like to continue to recognize accomplishments. We had a successful event last semester, and we would like to continue to host it.

**Motion to** approve First-Generation Students- End of Semester Spring Celebration (req. 0107). For purchases not to exceed \$850.00 in the following categories Catering/Refreshments, Supplies/Equipment (purchase).

**Moved by:** Kevin Quezada  
**Voting results:** Unanimous

**Seconded by:** Alexis Pollock  
**Motion:** Passes

### **First-Generation Students- Clothing For All**

**Tentative Date:** February 27, 2023

**Description of Proposal:** This event will allow to students to pick out clothes for free that they may need. It will be accompanied with an offering of food, beverages, and snacks for students to enjoy. Students will also have access to resources available from the Center for Career Development on preparing for the Career Fair.

**Motion to** approve First-Generation Students- Clothing For All (req. 0120). For purchases not to exceed \$500.00 in the following categories Supplies/Equipment (purchase), Catering/Refreshments.

**Moved by:** Kevin Quezada  
**Voting results:** Unanimous

**Seconded by:** Alexis Pollock  
**Motion:** Passes

### **African Student Association- Les Royaux D'Afrique**

**6 Date:** February 24, 2023

**Description of Proposal:** In collaboration with Sga, this event will be taking place during black history month in order to show case black designers, models of all shapes colors and sizes wearing traditional and modernized African clothing pieces. The clothing will be showcased in a run way like modeling show accompanied by a dj and a host.

**Motion to** approve African Student Association- Les Royaux D'Afrique (req. 0108). For purchases not to exceed \$4,990.00 in the following categories Supplies/Equipment (purchase), Services/Contracts, Staffing (Student Activities, Security, IT, Facilities).

**Moved by:** Kevin Quezada  
**Voting results:** Unanimous

**Seconded by:** Alexis Pollock  
**Motion:** Passes

### **Google Developer Student Club- Insights from the Top: A Conversation with Jess Fitzgibbon, Managing Director at Blackrock**

**Tentative Date:** January 31, 2023

**Description of Proposal:** Join us for an engaging and informative guest speaker session with Jess Fitzgibbon, Managing Director at Blackrock. In this session, Jess will share her insights and experiences in the financial industry, and offer valuable advice for professionals and students looking to excel in their careers. She will also answer questions from the audience and provide networking opportunities with other professionals in the field. Don't miss this chance to gain

valuable knowledge and make valuable connections. It's a great opportunity to hear from a leader in the industry and learn from their experiences.

**Motion to** approve Google Developer Student Club- Insights from the Top: A Conversation with Jess Fitzgibbon, Managing Director at Blackrock (req. 0104). For purchases not to exceed \$450.00 in the following categories Catering/Refreshments, Supplies/Equipment (purchase).

Moved by: Kevin Quezada

Seconded by: Evan Dingle

Voting results: Unanimous

Motion: Passes

### **Finance Committee Meetings Mondays at 1 in room 202B.**

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Chief Administrative Officer – Ananya Viswanathan

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### **Meeting Form**

- If anyone is interested in becoming a senator, please complete the [member form](#).

### **Senator Appointment**

- Adrien Vincent
- Trinnaye Berrie

**Motion to:** approve the individuals above as senators

**Motion moved by:** Ananya Viswanathan

**Seconded by:** Evan Dingle

**Voting results:** Unanimous

**Motion:** Passes

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Advisor- Gayle Riquier

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- None

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### **Announcements**

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➤ Contact SGA officers to ask questions:

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- Vaughan: [StamfordSGA-VP@uconn.edu](mailto:StamfordSGA-VP@uconn.edu)
- Kevin: [StamfordSGA-CFO@uconn.edu](mailto:StamfordSGA-CFO@uconn.edu)
- Ananya: [StamfordSGA@uconn.edu](mailto:StamfordSGA@uconn.edu)

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### **Next Meeting/Adjournment**

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**1/31/2022 1:00 PM – Rm 239**

**Motion to adjourn was made at 1:59PM**

**Motion moved by:** Ananya Viswanathan

**Seconded by:** Mohammed Ruwaid

**Voting results:** Unanimous

**Motion:** Passes

Approval:

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– Chief Administrative Officer/SGA

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Gayle Riquier – Student Activities Coordinator/UConn

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Jozef Lopez  
Susan Chen  
Andrew Rosario  
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