Meeting called to order by President – Nahum Valiente
Date | time: 2/19/2023 4:05 PM Total Voting Members: 14 Quorum: 8

Officer/Director/Advisor Attendance

☐ President – Nahum Valiente
☒ Vice President – Emily Cervantes
☐ CFO – Kevin Quezada
☒ CAO – Ananya Viswanathan
☒ Stu. Activities Coord. /UConn – Gayle Riquier (non-voting)
☒ Program Director- Kojo Aurelien
☐ Program Director- Susan Chen
☒ Program Director- Evan Dingle
☒ Program Director- Mohammed Ruwaid
☒ Program Director – Madina Mamedli

Senator Attendance

☒ Trinnaye Berrie
☒ Emma Downey
☒ Jayde Lopez
☒ Nicea Nerette
☒ Adrien Vincent

Approval of Minutes

➢ Motion to: Approve the meeting minutes from 2/9/2022

Moved by: Ananya Viswanathan Seconded by: Jayde Lopez
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.

President – Nahum Valiente
StamfordSGA-President@UConn.edu

Graduation Stoles

- All graduating students who held a significant role in SGA (Officer, Director, Senator) are entitled to a free graduation regalia
  - Suan Chen
  - Ananya Viswanathan
- Students that are transferring to Storrs, can get a stole ordered but you will have to pay for it
  - Nahum Valiente
  - Kevin Quezada
  - Emily Cervantes
  - Nicea Nerette
• RSO Officers, regardless of Tier Status, are also now welcome to request a graduation stole, same rules will apply that were listed above.

**Spring 2023 Joint Election**

Official Nominees

President
➢ Karima Hamada
➢ Mohammed Ruwaid

Vice President
➢ Noah Park
➢ Rebekah Bacon

Chief Financial Officer
➢ Adrien Vincent

Chief Administrative Officer
➢ Kiyoshi Perretz
➢ Emma Downey

➢ Tabling event planned, all candidates and their reps will be present for one big day of campaigning, cookies will be there to!

**#SaveUConn Rally**

• Shout out to all Stamford Students who went, and for our Bus Captains who were able to staff the event last minute!
  Turnout was at 700 UConn Students, all campuses!
• Relationship between Storrs and Stamford has strength
• Many elected officials not only committed to reducing cuts, but some even proposing bills that would raise funding
• Governor now will hold talks with President Maric in regards to the budget and how it can change
• Talks of a Student Gov summit with all elected leaders are in discussion

**Election Oversight Committee**
The Election Oversight Committee is composed of 3 members (minimum), in addition to the Advisor (non-voting), and Chaired by the Election Commissioner, which will be the President. Members chosen are

• Nahum Valiente (Chair)
• Gayle Riquier (non-voting advisor)
• Alexis Pollock
• Emily Cervantes
• Tahmida Ahmed
• Andrew Rosario
• Adam Killman
• Bijan Behzadi

These are the rules that the Candidates must follow, but also the document that the EOC will consider when it is conducting business

**Motion to:** Approve the individuals above to the Election Oversight Committee for the Spring Election 2023.
Moved by: Jayde Lopez  Seconded by: Nicea Nerette
Voting results: Unanimous  Motion: Passes

Motion to: Approve the Election Rules Package as presented in today's meeting, for the Spring Elections of 2023.
Moved by: Kevin Quezada  Seconded by: Kojo Aurelien
Voting results: Unanimous  Motion: Passes

More events being planned with information to come:

- **Womens Trivia Night**
  - **When:** Wednesday, March 1st

- **Paintball Outing**
  - **When:** Second Week of April, exact date TBD

- **Student Worker Celebration Day**
  - **When:** Monday, April 1st

- **Student Leader Banquet**
  - **When:** Thursday, April 20th

- **End of the Year Trip: Six Flags**
  - **When:** Saturday, May 6th

**Muslim Student Assoc, Iftar Grab-and-Go Bags S23**

Tentative Date: March 23, 2023

**Description of Proposal:** Ramadan is a very special time for Muslims all over the world. Observing Ramadan is one of the five 'pillars' of Islam. During Ramadan, all Muslims over the age of about 12, with some exceptions, are expected to fast between dawn and sunset. During daylight hours, fasting Muslims cannot eat food or drink water, or any other drinks. In late spring or early summer, this is particularly difficult as the day can be very long. Students would have to observe their fast while attending classes and potentially staying on campus after sunset. This can be very difficult for students to manage and our organization wants to help out these students by providing Iftar grab-and-go bags, filled with snacks and drinks that would help them break their fast. Muslims have to break their fast exactly at sunset so students on campus that have night classes won't be able to leave or have a quick break to do that. These grab-and-go bags will help these students break their fast during class time (if allowed by the professor). The grab-and-go bags would be available for pickup during Monday-Friday at a secure location such as the prayer room located on the third floor. This is a repeat event from last year.

**Motion to:** approve Muslim Student Assoc- Iftar Grab-and-Go Bags S23 (req. 0148). For purchases not to exceed $4,000.00 in the following categories Supplies/Equipment (purchase).
Moved by: Kevin Quezada  Seconded by: Lucy van der Merwe
Voting results: Unanimous  Motion: Passes

**Latine, Grab and Go Bags**

Tentative Date: March 6, 2023
Description of Proposal: This event supports the mission of our organization because it is a way for our club to connect with the community and students of the campus. The Carnival Of Mexico is also being celebrated in this time of the year and we have put a lot of Mexican candy and stickers inside the grab and go bags we will be handing out to the students. 

**Motion to:** approve Latine- Grab and Go Bags (req. 0155). For purchases not to exceed $400.00 in the following categories Supplies/Equipment (purchase).

- **Moved by:** Kevin Quezada
- **Seconded by:** Jayde Lopez
- **Voting results:** Unanimous
- **Motion:** Passes

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**Huskies for Pre-Med/Pre-Dental - Stamford Campus**, Pre-Med/Pre-Dental Survival Kit

Tentative Date: March 22, 2023

Description of Proposal: This proposal supports the mission of our organization because it allows us to help all undergraduate students by giving out free school supplies and helps us get more exposure for our organization in hopes that we will get more pre-med/pre-dental or students on health related tracks to join our community.

**Motion to:** approve Huskies for Pre-Med/Pre-Dental - Stamford Campus- Pre-Med/Pre-Dental Survival Kit (req. 0156). For purchases not to exceed $300.00 in the following categories Supplies/Equipment (purchase).

- **Moved by:** Kevin Quezada
- **Seconded by:** Adrien Vincent
- **Voting results:** Unanimous
- **Motion:** Passes

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

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**Chief Administrative Officer – Ananya Viswanathan**

StamfordSGA@UConn.edu

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**Meeting Form**

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

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**Senator Appointment**

- Rebekah Bacon

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

- **Motion moved by:** Ananya Viswanathan
- **Seconded by:** Lucy van der Merwe
- **Voting results:** Unanimous
- **Motion:** Passes

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**Advisor- Gayle Riquier**

Gayle.Riquier@UConn.edu

- None

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**Announcements**

- Contact SGA officers to ask questions:
  - Nahum: StamfordSGA-President@uconn.edu
  - Vaughan: StamfordSGA-VP@uconn.edu
  - Kevin: StamfordSGA-CFO@uconn.edu
  - Ananya: StamfordSGA@uconn.edu

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**Next Meeting/Adjournment**
2/23/2022 3:30 PM – Rm 222

Motion to adjourn was made at 4:52PM

Motion moved by: Jayde Lopez  Seconded by: Rebekah Bacon
Voting results: Unanimous  Motion: Passes

Approval:

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

Date  Date