

# GENERAL SENATE MEETING

Student Government Association/UConn Stamford

**Meeting called to order by** President – Nahum Valiente  
**Date | time:** 2/9/2023 3:57 PM **Total Voting Members: 13 Quorum: 8**

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## Officer/Director/Advisor Attendance

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> President – Nahum Valiente                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program Director- Kojo Aurelien   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice President – Emily Cervantes                | <input type="checkbox"/> Program Director- Susan Chen                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CFO – Kevin Quezada                             | <input 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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- Trinnaye Berrie
- Jayde Lopez
- Nicea Nerette
- Adrien Vincent

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## Approval of Minutes

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- **Motion to:** Approve the meeting minutes from 2/2/2022  
**Moved by:** Ananya Viswanathan      **Seconded by:** Mohammed Ruwaid  
**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.

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President – Nahum Valiente

[StamfordSGA-President@UConn.edu](mailto:StamfordSGA-President@UConn.edu)

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## Graduation Stoles

- If you are a graduating student or transferring to Storrs, please reach out if you would like a Stole to officially recognize your work in SGA

## Spring 2023 Joint Election

- Nominations close tomorrow at noon

## President

- Kojo Aurelien
- Karima Hamada
- Mohammed Ruwaid

#### Vice President

- Mohammed Ruwaid
- Rebekah Bacon
- Noah Park

#### Chief Financial Officer

- Adrien Vincent
- Emma Downey

#### Chief Administrative Officer

- Kiyoshi Perretz
- Emma Downey

### **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 of the committee must be current members of the association who are not running in the current election, they will be from the university at large. They must be approved by the senate.
- The Committee is charged with the following responsibilities
  - Confirming eligibility of all candidates.
  - Publicizing the election
  - Reviewing any alleged campaign infractions and making appropriate determination of outcome
  - Certifying the results of the election
  - Reviewing and making recommendations for changes to the election rules/process

**Motion to:** Approve the EOC committee, with the responsibilities that were outlined onto this meeting minutes, members of the committee will be approved at the next General Senate Meeting.

**Motion moved by:** Ananya Viswanathan

**Seconded by:** Kevin Quezada

**Voting results:** Unanimous

**Motion:** Passes

### **#SaveUConn Initiative**

- Governor proposed budget cuts that can result in budget cuts to our campus and potentially raise tuition by \$3,000.
- Nahum met with President Maric and Student Leader from all campuses to discuss the specifics of these cuts
- UConn wide walkout on 2/15 at noon to support President Maric
- Wednesday there will be a one to two-hour rally at the capital, Stamford Students will be provided a bus by UConn (Rally is at noon, departure is at 10 am)
- Please contact Nahum to sign up for this

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Vice President – Emily Cervantes

StamfordSGA-VP@UConn.edu

### **Upcoming Events:**

### **Bowling Night**

- **When:** Thursday, February 9th, 5:30pm - 7:00pm
- **Where:** RPM
- Free admission to the Bowling Alley will be provided!
- RVSP on UConn contact: SGA!

### **Valentine's Day**

- **When:** Tuesday, February 14th
- **Where:** Auditorium
- **What:** There will be many arts and crafts activities to do such as Message in a Bottle, Bead Art! Cookies and a photobooth will be there too.

### **Movie Night: Ant-Man and the Wasp Quantumania**

- **When:** Thursday, February 16th, 8 pm & 9 pm
- **Where:** AMC Majestic 6
- **What:** Each show time, there will be 50 FREE tickets for Undergrad Students, first come first serve basis. Recommend showing up 30 minutes before the show time due to the high demand of the film.

### **Ski Trip Collaboration with Student Activities**

- **Description:** 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)

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Chief Financial Officer – Kevin Quezada

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### **Google Developer Student Club- Insider's View on Cybersecurity with Mike Krebs**

**Tentative Date: February 15, 2023**

**Description of Proposal:** Join the Google Developer Student Club at UConn Stamford for an exclusive and informative discussion on cybersecurity with renowned expert Mike Krebs. With over 15 years of experience in the field, Mike will provide an insider's view on the current state of cybersecurity and offer practical advice for protecting businesses and organizations in the digital age. This event is open only to UConn students and faculty. Don't miss this opportunity to hear from one of the leading voices in the industry and to ask your questions in a live Q&A session.

Motion to approve Google Developer Student Club- Insider's View on Cybersecurity with Mike Krebs (req. 0145). For purchases not to exceed \$450.00 in the following categories Catering/Refreshments, Supplies/Equipment (purchase).

Motion moved by: Kevin Quezada

Seconded by: Mohammed Ruwaid

Voting results: Unanimous

Motion: Passes

### **Muslim Student Assoc- Chand Raat**

**Tentative Date: April 17, 2023**

**Description of Proposal:** Chand Raat is a Muslim festival celebrated in South Asia, particularly in Pakistan and Bangladesh, to mark the end of Ramadan, the Islamic month of fasting. "Chand Raat" translates to "Night of the Moon" in English and is celebrated on the evening of the 29th day of Ramadan when the new moon is sighted. At the event, we will have a henna artist that will do designs on students, followed by dinner when Muslim students break their fast.

**Motion to approve Muslim Student Assoc- Chand Raat (req. 0115). For purchases not to exceed \$3,950.00 in the following categories Catering/Refreshments, Supplies/Equipment (purchase), Services/Contracts.**

**Motion moved by:** Kevin Quezada

**Seconded by:** Emily Cervantes

**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**

- Emma Downey

**Motion to:** approve the individual above as a senator

**Motion moved by:** Ananya Viswanathan

**Seconded by:** Kevin Quezada

**Voting results:** Unanimous

**Motion:** Passes

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Advisor- Gayle Riquier

[Gayle.Riquier@UConn.edu](mailto:Gayle.Riquier@UConn.edu)

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- None

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### **Announcements**

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- Contact SGA officers to ask questions:
  - Nahum: [StamfordSGA-President@uconn.edu](mailto:StamfordSGA-President@uconn.edu)
  - 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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**2/16/2022 3:30 PM – Rm 222**

**Motion to adjourn was made at 4:10PM**

Motion moved by: Ananya Viswanathan

Seconded by: Emma Downey

Voting results: Unanimous

Motion: Passes

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Approval:

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– Chief Administrative Officer/SGA

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Gayle Riquier – Student Activities Coordinator/UConn

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