

**UConn Hartford - Undergraduate Student Government (USG) Minutes**  
(9/11/19)

**I. Call to order**

- A. President Day is chairing the meeting and called the meeting to order at 3:35

**II. Attendance**

A. Members Present:

1. Erica Day (President), Sahar Amjad (Vice President), Aaron Paladino (Secretary/Chair), Angelica Ellis (Senator/Chair), Ryan Nur (Senator), Milton Rosario (Senator), Amanda Carducci (Treasurer) Paul Young (Advisor), Dan O'Reilly

B. Members Absent:

1. All members were present

C. Visitors

1. Chris Depinto, Alexa Deandrade, Brittany Diaz, Ciarra Mckenzie, Aban Khan, Mohammad Habboub, Karishma Rentia, Te'Asjah Bosh, Jessica Nathan, Thiri Soe, Omar Smith, Faryal Taser, Ozair Ahmed, Amila Talovic

D. Quorum:

1. 3 of 3

**III. Approval of Prior Minutes**

A. President Day suggests a motion to approve final minutes from 9/4/19

1. So moved by Senator Rosario
2. Seconded by Senator Nur
3. Motion Passes 3/0/0

**IV. Public Comment**

A. *Limited to ~2 minutes/person—this is an opportunity to introduce yourself to the group, reason for attending, and address any questions, concerns, and/or recommendations...*

1. Ariel states that she is running for Senator
2. States that he is here to see what usg is about
3. She states that she wants to see the school community
4. She wants to see what USG is about
5. ASA club wants to get people to come to meetings

**V. Presidents Report**

- A. Mark Coming to meetings
- B. Electioners will have meeting soon
- C. Ad Hoc Committee will meet friday

**VI. VP Report**

- A. None

**VII. Advocacy Report**

- A. Equity and Design
- B. Mission Statement

1. Change the statement up to not focus just on inclusion but with more of student issues
- C. Data from involvement fair
  1. Study rooms were popular
  2. Bullying
  3. Convention Center travel during night
  4. More community conversations
  5. Fee for new student facility
  6. Book Supplies
    - a) Barnes and noble jacked up prices from 20%

**VIII. Communications Report**

- A. Instagram submission form
- B. Website favorite quote

**IX. Programming Committee Report**

- A. Listserv
  1. Won't be used unless its for signups
- B. Bus trip cost
  1. Out of state cost should be deposits
  2. Should closer trips have a deposit
    - a) Use the premade system that Syed had made last year
- C. Open mic
  1. Looking for signups
- D. Apple Picking
  1. Will not have a deposit
- E. Fall Fest
  1. TShirts
    - a) Shirt designs are in and budget request is in
  2. Decorations
    - a) Budget request will be in soon

**X. Finance Report**

- A. Committee is now full

**XI. Treasurer Report/ Financial Standing**

- A. More than half the budget is spent
- B. Clubs has more than 75% left

**XII. Budget Request**

**A. Motions**

1. *Motion to allocate \$90 to Arts club for supplies for their paint a pot event*
  - a) *So Moved by Senator Rosario*
  - b) *Seconded by Senator Ellis*
  - c) *Motion passes 3/0/0*
2. *Motion to allocate \$350 to world club for supplies for their hispanic heritage event*

- a) *So moved by Senator Rosario*
  - b) *Seconded by Senator Ellis*
  - c) *Motion passes 3/0/0*
3. *Motion to allocate \$680 to USG for fund for their Apple Picking event*
- a) *So moved by Senator Rosario*
  - b) *Seconded by Senator Ellis*
  - c) *Motion passes 3/0/0*
4. *Motion to allocate \$75 to Asian Student organization for their ASA Introduction meeting*
- a) *So moved by Senator Rosario*
  - b) *Seconded by Senator Nur*
  - c) *We have an abundance of supplies that they are asking for and since USG already has some of the supplies (Napkins,Forks and tablecloths), so we would provide some of the products*
5. *Motion to edit motion from \$75 to \$35*
- a) *So moved by Senator Nur*
  - b) *Seconded by Senator Rosario*
  - c) *Motion Passes 3/0/0*
6. *Motion to allocate \$170 to ASA for their first meeting*
- a) *So moved by Senator Rosario*
  - b) *Seconded by Senator Ellis*
  - c) *Motion passes 3/0/0*
7. *Motion to allocate \$450 to Art Club for a studio space at their arts night event*
- a) *So moved by Senator Rosario*
  - b) *Seconded by Senator Ellis*
  - c) *Motion passes 3/0/0*
8. *Motion to allocate \$92.41 to World club for their General meeting*
- a) *So moved by Senator Rosario*
  - b) *Seconded by Senator Nur*
  - c) *Motion 3/0/0*
9. *Motion to allocate \$450 to Art Club for a photo booth at their arts night event*
- a) *So moved by Senator Rosario*
  - b) *Seconded by Senator Nur*
  - c) *Motion passes 3/0/0*
10. *Motion to allocate \$145 to Volleyball club for food for their first meeting*
- a) *So moved by Senator Ellis*
  - b) *Seconded by Senator Rosario*
  - c) *Motion passes 3/0/0*
11. *Motion to allocate 1,400 for usg fall fest event*
- a) *So moved by Senator Ellis*
  - b) *So moved by Senator Nur*

c) *Motion passes 3/0/0*

**XIII. New Business**

- A. AMANDA IS NO LONGER TAKING BUDGET REQUESTS THE DAY THE REQUEST WAS SENT IN
- B. Times
  - 1. Starting and ending on the times that are listed during the normal times
- C. Ways to run effective meetings (Suggestions)
  - 1. Gavel
  - 2. Don't repeat yourself
- D. Committee member acceptance process
  - 1. Should president or committee chairs contact the members
    - a) It cuts a step from the president for doing work
- E. 3 day rule
  - 1. Make sure to keep the fridge clean and take it out after 3 days

**XIV. Advisors Report**

- A. Advisor O'reilly states that he loves us and states for paul that the UCONN president will be on campus to look around

**XV. Final Thoughts**

- A. Sahar likes that we finished and is proud of us
- B. Ryan loves the wonderful meeting and thinks we're doing pretty good
- C. Aaron thanks his committee members and every one that shows up every week to
- D. July is amazing and twirls quoting michelangelo "I am still learning"
- E. Brittany thanks Senators and new faces and scares them with the amount of time that these meeting thanks
- F. New member loves that we are a family like group and thanks amanda
- G. New member #2 loves us and wants to get involved
- H. Amilla appreciates USG for being so lenient with the budget requests
- I. New member #3 thanks for the help with the ASA
- J. New member #4 came from work to come see us :)
- K. Aban: "It was nice"
- L. Alexa sees growth and great strides
- M. Milton feels we are more effective and in sync and is excited
- N. Angelica says things are going well
- O. Amanda loves July and reminds the world that the budget request will be more strict and that she found HER CALCULATOR \*whole room applauds\*
- P. Erica thanks everyone for coming and is excited for elections

**XVI. Adjournment**

- A. President Day adjourned the meeting at 5:17

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