UConn Hartford - Undergraduate Student Government (USG) Minutes (10/23/19)

I. Call to order

A. President Day is chairing the meeting and called the meeting to order at 3:31

II. Attendance

- A. Members Present:
 - Erica Day (President), Sahar Amjad (Vice President), Aaron Paladino (Secretary/Chair/Senator), ,Ryan Nur (Senator), Milton Rosario(Senator), Amanda Carducci (Treasurer), Faryal Taseer (Senator), Angelica Ellis (Senator/Chair), Brittany Diaz (Senator), Dan O'Reilly (Advisor), Paul Young (Advisor)
- B. Members Absent:
 - 1. Ryan Nur (Senator)
- C. Visitors
 - Chris Depinto, Fatima Boumagourd, July Leon, Te'Asjah Bosh, Samatar Wehelie, James Taylor, Esi Obeng, Chelsea Baidya, Irin Matthew, Qeanna rampassard, Lipi Gandhi, Karishma Rentia, Ferhana Tamamma, Thiri Soe, Erasmus Gunawan
- D. Quorum:
 - 1. 5/6

Senator Nur arrives at 3:35 Quorum is now 6/6

III. Approval of Prior Minutes

- A. President Day suggests a motion to approve final minutes from 10/16/19
 - 1. So moved by Senator Ellis
 - 2. Seconded by Senator Taseer
 - 3. Motion Passes 5/0/0

IV. Old Business

A. None for this week

V. 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...

VI. Presidents Report

- A. Possibility of a schedule change from the original time during the week
- B. Printing in the office is for cabinet members

VII. VP Report

A. Basement cleanup

VIII. Communications Report

A. Looking to Get verified

- B. RSO Update
 - 1. Survey will go out soon to club leaders
- C. Marketing
- D. Uconntact and events calendar is updating
- E. Website Updates

IX. Programming Report

- A. Apple Picking was successful
 - 1. Super nice to us and was very welcoming
 - 2. Animals all over the place and picked the apples
 - 3. Got free pumpkins
 - 4. Should be an every year thing
- B. Fall Fest
 - 1. Successful
 - 2. Shirts were great
 - 3. Some leftovers but still great
- C. Halloweek
 - 1. Coming up soon
 - 2. Lace candles arts and crafts event
 - 3. Costume Contest/ Party
 - 4. Haunted Trail
 - a) Waitlist
- D. Winterfest is getting planned

X. Advocacy Report

- A. Heart to heart is coming up
 - 1. Guest Speaker
 - 2. A lot of hard workers in advocacy
- B. Last mini-workshop
 - 1. Helping members learn all of the behind the scenes
 - 2. Connecting with Mark Velasquez

Senator Rosario leaves at 4:34 Quorum is now 5/6

XI. Finance Committee Report

- A. Looking over policy to make them more clear and more informal
- B. Planning on updating them for early November

XII. Treasurer Report/ Financial Standing

- A. USG has over 5k left and 21 percent
 - 1. If passed it will be little over 5k
- B. Clubs is at 3.5k and 22 percent
 - 1. Clubs will be at a little over 1k and 8 percent

Quorum is now 6/6

XIII. Budget Request

A. Motions

- 1. Motion to allocate \$75.00 to Human Rights Club for their Career trivia
 - a) So moved by senator Diaz
 - b) Seconded by senator Nur
 - c) Motion passes 6/0/0
- 2. Motion to allocate \$75.00 to Pre Health Society for their Halloween event
 - a) So moved by senator Rosario
 - b) Seconded by senator Ellis
 - c) Motion passes 6/0/0
- 3. Motion to allocate \$241.00 to Human Rights Club for their Human rights club shirts
 - a) So moved by senator Ellis
 - b) Seconded by senator Rosario
 - c) Motion Passes 6/0/0
- 4. Motion to allocate \$35.00 to GSA for their LGBT+ Movie Night
 - a) So moved by senator Ellis
 - b) Seconded by senator Nur
 - c) Motion passes 6/0/0
- 5. Motion to allocate \$125.00 to World Club for their Asian Culture event
 - a) So moved by senator Diaz
 - b) Seconded by senator Nur
 - c) Motion passes 6/0/0
- 6. Motion to allocate \$90.00 to world club for their Native American Heritage event
 - a) So moved by senator Ellis
 - b) Seconded by senator Rosario
 - c) Motion passes 6/0/0
 - d) Discussion
 - (1) We have napkins and cutlery from the recent events so we don't need to but it again
- 7. Motion to allocate \$100.00 to world club for their Halloween event
 - a) So moved by senator Paladino
 - b) Seconded by senator Ellis
 - c) Motion fails 0/5/1
 - d) Discussion
 - (1) Event date falls on the Halloween event for USG and conflicts
 - (2) We have had problems with the postal service so things might not be delivered on time
 - (3) Doesn't reflect the world club so much

- 8. Motion to allocate \$200.00 to Arts Club for their Arts and Culture event
 - a) So moved by senator Diaz
 - b) Seconded by senator Rosario
 - c) Motion passes 6/0/0
- 9. Motion to allocate \$45.00 to ASA for their Asian Student Association event
 - a) So moved by senator Rosario
 - b) Seconded by senator Ellis
 - c) Motion Passes 6/0/0
- 10. Motion to allocate \$256.00 to world club for their Native American event
 - a) So moved by senator Diaz
 - b) Seconded by senator Taseer
 - c) Discussion
 - (1) A lot of money on food
 - (2) Food is not from the culture
 - (3) Would the event be successful without the food
 - (4) We wouldnt be able
 - d) Motion to amend the motion to 150 for the event
 - (1) Seconded by senator Nur
 - (2) Motion passes 4/2/0
 - (3) Discussion
 - (a) Feels that the event should stand on its own without food
 - (b) Bears is a product of colonization
- 11. Motion to allocate \$65.00 to USG for their Costume Contest
 - a) So moved by senator Rosario
 - b) Seconded by senator Ellis
 - c) Motion passes 5/1/0
 - d) Discussion
 - (1) Thinks that it would be more effective to get gift cards instead of prizes we have
- 12. Motion to **amend** the mins of **10/09/19** to reflect the 1st vote of pentatonix concert
 - a) Seconded by senator Diaz
 - b) Discussion
 - (1) Needs to finish the vote that originally ended in a tie
 - (2) President day votes in favor for Pentatonix concert
 - c) Motion passes 3/2/2
- XIV. New Business
 - A. Tabled until next week
- XV. Advisors Report
 - A. Advisor Oreilly

- 1. RSO
- 2. Request that RSO to inactive to active so clubs need to stay in contact
- 3. Google Sheet in purchasing from Amanda to make things easier
- B. Advisor Young
 - 1. Amazing and shouts out faryal that challenges paul
 - 2. A podcaster does a thing where she switches it up for 19 things in 2019
 - a) 20 programs in 20'
 - b) A lot of options
- XVI. Final Thoughts
- XVII. Adjournment
 - A. President adjourns the meeting at 5:38

Minutes created by (CCO Paladino)