

UConn Hartford - Undergraduate Student Government (USG) Minutes

Wednesday, April 17th 2019 Room 216

I. **Call to Order** (*President Quiles*)

- a. President Quiles calls the meeting to order at 4:38 PM.

II. **Attendance** (*President Quiles*)

- a. Members Present: Olgui Quiles (President), Syed Naqvi (Treasurer), Ariana Llabani (interim Chief Communications Officer), *Angelica Marie Ellis* (Senator), *Milton Rosario* (Senator), *Ariana Llabani* (Senator), Paul A. Young (Advisor), Daniel O'Reilly (Advisor) *Denotes voting members*
- b. Members Absent: *Aaliyah Campbell* (Senator)
- c. Visitors: Chelsea Baidya, Irin Mathew, July Leon, Fatima Boumargoud, Nick St. Sauveur, Erica Arhin
- d. Quorum: 6/7

III. **Approval of Prior Minutes**

- a. Prior Minutes of April 10th 2019
 - i. President Quiles suggests a motion to approve the prior minutes of April 10th, 2019. Senator Rosario So Moves. Senator Amjad Seconds. Motion passes 6/0/0.

IV. **Old Business**

- a. No old business.

V. **Public Comment** (*all*)

- 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...*
 - i. No public comment.

VI. **Committee Reports**

- a. Communications Report
 - i. Chief Communications Officer Llabani mentions that she has added a committees tab to the USG website with a page for each committee. She states that her committee will come to next week's meeting with their page done so that we can show the other committees what we are looking for on the website.
 - ii. Chief Communications Officer Llabani states that her members have been doing a good job of keeping up with their assigned roles and tasks regarding all aspects of communications.
- b. Programming Report
 - i. Senator Ellis mentions that the Eastergram egg hunt is going very smoothly. She says that all events are planned out and ready to go. For Coachella, she says they will just be getting pizza, ice cream, and water.

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1. Senator Ellis motions to allocate \$100 to purchase a large bag of rubber bands, one extra table cloth, and buckets. Senator Amjad Seconds. Motion passes 6/0/0.
- ii. Senator Ellis states that next semester it is going to be very important to keep track of inventory and that is a system we should focus on developing during the summer meetings.
- c. Advocacy Report
 - i. Senator Day mentions that Katie from CSD is coming to talk about an event that they are arranging for students with disabilities.
 - ii. Visitor July Leon mentions that his workshop "Unerased" will be next Friday from 12:05 PM to 3 PM in room 228. The purpose of the event is to educate, advocate, and empower.
- d. Finance Report
 - i. Treasurer Naqvi and Amanda Carducci met to talk about roles in Finance Committee for next semester.
 1. There will be four roles. The first is VCR creator, where one person is designated for creating VCRs. The second role will be someone doing all orders. The third role will be inventory supervisor and and the fourth role will be responsible for putting together the VCR packet.

VII. President Report *(President Quiles)*

- a. President Quiles discusses the attendance for the awards banquet. She mentions that she has only heard back from a few clubs. Advisor Young suggests capping the attendance at 100 instead of 80.
- b. President Quiles mentions that for the Vice President position next semester, she is unsure of whether to appoint a current member or open up an election process for the vacant seat. After discussion, it is decided that the Vice President will be appointed by President Quiles.

Senator Day and Senator Amjad exit. Quorum changes 4/7.

VIII. Financial Standing *(Treasurer Naqvi)*

- a. Budget Update
 - i. No budget update.

IX. Budget Request *(Treasurer Naqvi)*

- a. Treasurer Naqvi suggests a motion to allocate \$59 for Amazon Prime membership for Advisor Young. Senator Llabani So Moves. Senator Rosario Seconds. Motion passes 4/0/0.
- b. Treasurer Naqvi suggests a motion to allocate \$7.54 to purchase Amazon Prime membership. Senator Rosario So Moves. Senator Llabani Seconds. Motion passes 4/0/0.
- c. Treasurer Naqvi suggests a motion to allocate \$186.21 to MSA for food. Senator Rosario So Moves. Senator Llabani Seconds. Motion fails 1/3/0.

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senator Rosario says they should be here to represent their club if they have a budget request.

X. New Business

- a. No new business.

XI. Final Thoughts *(all)*

- a. *Limited to ~2 minutes/person—this is an opportunity to address any questions, concerns, and/or recommendations before the formal end of the official meeting.*

- i. No final thoughts.

XII. Advisors Report

- a. Advisor O'Reilly mentions that he and Advisor Young are working hard to plan training for club leaders in the summer. He also suggests doing surveys after events to get feedback from students.
- b. Advisor Young thinks each committee should assign an assistant committee chair that could step in when the chair is not there or step up if the chair decides to leave.

Treasurer Naqvi exits.

XIII. Adjournment *(President Quiles)*

- a. President Quiles adjourns the meeting at 7:13 PM.

Created by Chief Communications Officer Llabani