

**UConn Hartford - Undergraduate Student Government (USG) Minutes**  
(10/09/19)

**I. Call to order**

A. President Day is chairing the meeting and called the meeting to order at 3:32

**II. Attendance**

A. Members Present:

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

B. Members Absent:

1. None

C. Visitors

1. Samatar Wehelie, Amila Talovic, Fatima Boumargoud, July Leon, Qeanna Rampassard, Ciarra Mckenzie, Te'Asjah Bosh, James Taylor, Karishma Rentia, Ferhana Tamanna, Thiri Soe, Chris Depinto, Erasmus Gunawan

D. Quorum:

1. 5/6

**III. Approval of Prior Minutes**

A. President Day suggests a motion to approve final minutes from 10/02/19

1. So moved by Ellis
2. Seconded by Rosario
3. Motion **Passes 5/0/0**

**Senator Nur enters at 3:33**

**Quorum 6/6**

**IV. Old Business**

A. *Motion to allocate \$1,800.00 to Gaming Club for their Pax East Trip*

1. *So moved by senator Ellis*
2. *Seconded by senator Rosario*
3. *Motion **tabled 6/0/0***
4. *Discussion*
  - a) *Gaming Club isn't compliant so we suggest the motion to table this until solid is completed*
  - b) *Motion to table \$1,800.00 to Gaming Club for their Pax East Trip*
    - (1) *So moved by senator Ellis*
    - (2) *Seconded by senator Rosario*
    - (3) *Motion **fails 0/6/0***
    - (4) *Discussion*

(a) *We want to settle the motion since they will come into compliance within the next week, but we'd like to discuss now*

c) **Motion to allocate \$1,800.00 to Gaming Club for their Pax East Trip**

(1) *So moved by senator Ellis*

(2) *Seconded by senator Rosario*

(3) **Motion fails 1/5/0**

(4) *Discussion*

(a) *The budget would be greatly impacted*

(b) *Wouldn't be beneficial for the student body*

(c) *Won't make the club lasting*

(d) *Clubs should reach out to other campuses to collaborate and make a connection*

**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. USG Terms

1. Motion to pass the list of USG terms

a) *So moved by senator Diaz*

b) *Seconded by senator Ellis*

c) **Motion passes 6/0/0**

**VII. VP Report**

A. Finishing up solid trainings

1. *After next weeks solid trainings will no longer be held*

**VIII. Advocacy Report**

A. *Reflecting and Finding ways to collect data*

B. *Heart 2 Heart*

C. *Everything's smooth*

D. *Anti-Bullying date*

1. *Pushed back*

E. *Established relationship with directors office*

**IX. Communications Report**

A. *1000 follower giveaway*

1. *Winners going to be picked*

B. *Costume Contest*

1. *Prizes are being picked*

2. *Times going to be picked*

3. *Process are being picked*

C. *Marketing*

1. *Flyers are being made for future events*

- D. Website is getting there for members
- E. Ucontact will be update

**X. Programming Report**

- A. Events are still happening
  - 1. Everything is going great
- B. Photographer Column
  - 1. Wants a photographer to be at events
- C. Shirts are coming in soon
- D. Apple Picking bus trip

**XI. Finance Committee Report**

- A. Finance committee continues to go
  - 1. Reminds clubs to give receipts and attendance to amanda to help with the committee
  - 2. Send advertisements with a correct date
  - 3. Put events on the events calendar

**XII. Treasurer Report/ Financial Standing**

- A. If passed Clubs will be at 16.2% left of budget
- B. If passed USG will be at 6,000

**XIII. Budget Request**

**A. Motions**

1. **Motion to allocate \$310.00 to USG for Halloween Costume contest prizes, candy and decorations**
  - a) So moved by senator Ellis
  - b) Seconded by senator Rosario
  - c) Motion **passes 6/0/0**
2. **Motion to allocate \$260.00 to USG for their Fall Fest event**
  - a) So moved by senator Ellis
  - b) Seconded by senator Rosario
  - c) Motion **passes 6/0/0**
3. **Motion to allocate \$25.00 to USG for their 1000 follower giveaway**
  - a) So moved by senator Rosario
  - b) Seconded by senator Ellis
  - c) Motion **passes 6/0/0**
4. **Motion to allocate \$145.00 to USG for their Heart 2 Heart event for food**
  - a) So moved by senator Ellis
  - b) Seconded by senator Rosario
  - c) Motion **passes 6/0/0**
5. **Motion to allocate \$45.00 to Arts Club for their Inktober event**
  - a) So moved by senator Rosario
  - b) Seconded by senator Ellis
  - c) Motion **passes 6/0/0**
6. **Motion to allocate \$47.98 to delight ministries for their Freshman Night event**

- a) *So moved by senator Paladino*
  - b) *Seconded by senator Diaz*
  - c) *Motion **tabled to 10/16/19 meeting***
  - d) *Discussion*
    - (1) *Not compliant with solid and will need to become compliant*
  - e) *Motion to **table all delight ministries requests***
    - (1) *So moved by senator Diaz*
    - (2) *Seconded by Senator Rosario*
    - (3) *Motion **tabled 6/0/0***
7. *Motion to allocate **\$70.00 to delight ministries** for their **Freshman Night event***
    - a) *Motion **tabled to 10/16/19 meeting***
  8. *Motion to allocate **\$25.00 to delight ministries** for their **Freshman Night event***
    - a) *Motion **tabled to 10/16/19 meeting***
  9. *Motion to allocate **\$95.00 to Health and wellness** for their **wellness halloween event***
    - a) *So moved by senator Diaz*
    - b) *Seconded by senator Rosario*
    - c) *Motion **passes 6/0/0***
  10. *Motion to allocate **\$20.00 to USG** for a **clicker** for future **USG meetings and other events***
    - a) *So moved by senator Paladino*
    - b) *Seconded by senator Rosario*
    - c) *Motion **passes 6/0/0***
  11. *Motion to allocate **\$145.00 to USG** for their **Heart 2 Heart event for supplies***
    - a) *So moved by senator Taseer*
    - b) *Seconded by senator Rosario*
    - c) *Motion **passes 6/0/0***
  12. *Motion to allocate **\$30.00 to USG** for their **Heart 2 Heart event for water***
    - a) *So moved by senator Rosario*
    - b) *Seconded by senator Diaz*
    - c) *Motion **fails 0/6/0***
    - d) *Discussion*
      - (1) *President Day has waters from home so we don't need to purchase water for the event*
  13. *Motion to allocate **\$9.00 USG** for their **Heart 2 Heart event for nature valley bars***
    - a) *So moved by senator Ellis*
    - b) *Seconded by senator Paladino*
    - c) *Motion **passes 6/0/0***
  14. *Motion to allocate **\$350.00 to ASA** for their **Boba Tea Day event***

- a) *So moved by senator Paladino*
  - b) *Seconded by senator Ellis*
  - c) *Motion passes 6/0/0*
15. **Motion to allocate \$936.00 to A capella for a trip to a pentatonix concert**
- a) *So moved by senator Ellis*
  - b) *Seconded by senator Milton*
  - c) *Motion fails 2/3/1*
  - d) *Discussion*
    - (1) *It would be unfair for the A Capella to be passed and for Gaming Club to be denied*
    - (2) *We need to look at the requests under the same light as similar*
    - (3) *A capella goes frequently up to storrs for events*
    - (4) *Spring concert was successful*
    - (5) *Sang at Yardgoats baseball game*
    - (6) *Senator Paladino abstains since there are many reasons to go both ways*
    - (7) *A no doesn't mean that it's a no forever*

**Senator Diaz steps out  
Quorum is now 5/6**

16. **Motion to allocate \$60.00 to Hartford Business Society for their Resume Workshop**
- a) *So moved by senator Rosario*
  - b) *Seconded by senator Ellis*
  - c) *Motion passes 5/0/0*
  - d) *Discussion*

**Senator Diaz steps in  
Quorum is now 6/6**

17. **Motion to allocate \$1,495.00 to Art and World club for their Salem Bus trip**
- a) *So moved by senator ellis*
  - b) *Seconded by senator Rosario*
  - c) *Motion passes 6/0/0*
  - d) *Discussion*
    - (1) *We've had a lot of bus trips this semester, students might be burnt out*

#### **XIV. New Business**

- A. Winter Meeting availability

B. Guest speakers and conflicts of interest tabled until next week

**XV. Advisors Report**

A. Advisor O'Reilly

1. We should make a policy for trips with certain person points
2. We need to take each request with its own merits

B. Advisor Young

1. Continue to use the digital monitor during meeting
2. Create a policy about financial decisions
3. We need weekly attendance and member list
4. Encourage cabinet to strengthen relationships with RSO's
5. Research and prepare before meeting
6. Communicate more with budget requests
7. Shoutout to Chris because of what he said about precedents
8. Shoutout to senators for speaking up

**Senator Rosario Leaves  
Quorum now 5/6**

**XVI. Final Thoughts**

A. Pass

**XVII. Adjournment**

A. President adjourns the meeting at 5:48

Minutes created by (CCO Paladino)

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