

UConnPIRG Core

Minutes

[10/6/14]

SU Room 303

Meeting called to order at: 8:06 PM

Attendees: Christian Allyn, Emma Kraner, Anna Montenegro, Sam Hollister, Tom McGlone, Saman Azimi, Christine Atallah, Adedoyin Ladoja, Candace Pratt, Matt Roe, Jeffrey Santi, Sneha Jayaraj, Geoff Profeta, Tedisha Brooks, Amy Robinson, Joan Rodriguez

Also in attendance: Donna Farvard, Gina DeVivo Brassaw

- **Campaign Updates**
 - **New Voter's Project**
 - Students taking registration forms to register students in their dorms
 - New class raps tactic – asking professors within the building
 - So far have 750 registrations with an overall goal to get 2000
 - **Transportation**
 - Forum at the end of the semester on Wednesday, November 19th
 - Working on getting contacts to invite
 - In the process of designing a petition and a survey for information to present at the forum
 - **Textbooks**
 - Event with Blumenthal pushed back to Friday, October 17th at 12:30 PM
 - Continuing faculty endorsements
 - Two tables, on Tuesday and Wednesday this week
 - Getting students to take a photo with a whiteboard with their textbook affordability story written on it
 - Pictures will be collaged and put around the room on the day of the event
 - Looking to get professional materials/visibility for the event
 - Developing and estimating costs to vote on next Core
 - **Hunger and Homelessness**
 - Clothing drive coming up with kickoff this Friday, putting out containers for donations
 - Building the containers on Friday
 - Planning for Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week
- **State & National**
 - State Board meeting next Saturday, October 18th

- **Chapter Updates**

- Chapter students went to the MassPIRG Retreat last weekend
 - Helpful trainings and campaign briefings on textbooks, democracy (money in politics), and more
- UConnPIRG will hold a similar retreat in November
 - Will vote on the new statewide lead campaign

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- Saman entertains the motion to approve the minutes from Sept 29th, 2014 with the amendment of one abstention to every vote
 - Sam motions
 - Anna seconds
 - Passes unanimously with two abstentions

Meeting adjourned at 9:03

Minutes submitted by Andrea Hellwig