

UConnPIRG Core

Minutes

[11/17/14]

SU Room 303

Meeting called to order at: 8:12 PM

Attendees: Katherine McLeese, Thomas Chadwick, Lee Aggison, Christian Allyn, Tom McGlone, Sam Hollister, Saman Azimi, Joseph Tomastik, Jeffrey Santi, Tedisha Brooks, Christine Atallah, Adedoyin Ladoja, Matt Roe, Valeria Alfano, Candace Pratt, Pauline Elmore, Oluwatoyin Akinnusotu

Also in attendance: Donna Farvard, Gina DeVivo Brassaw

- **Campaign Updates**
 - **Textbooks**
 - Holding a victory table on Thursday thanking Sally Reiss
 - Will give us name recognition for the project
 - Continuing faculty endorsements
 - **Hunger and Homelessness**
 - Planning activities for the spring
 - Brainstorming ways to improve
 - Hunger Sleepout was a success
 - **Transportation**
 - Went to Town Hall meeting on the UConn Master Plan
 - Working with Tanya (transportation planner) on the bike share program
 - Meeting with her next week
 - Will partner with office of environmental policy to get what needs to be done for bike share to progress
- **State & National**
 - MassPIRG retreat was a success
 - Useful trainings on running meetings
 - Good conversation with Mark about cultivating activist culture on campus
 - Pet project for next semester
 - Student power coalition
 - Good publicity option
 - Make powerful allies
- **Chapter Updates**
 - Helpful solution for class raps
 - Jeffrey wrote a program script that includes class times, enrollment numbers, etc.
 - Need to determine a layout for these features

- **Minutes**
 - Saman entertains the motions to approve the minutes from November 10th, 2014
 - Tom Chadwick motions
 - Tom McGlone seconds
 - Passes unanimously with two abstentions

- **Treasurer's Update**
 - Saman entertains the motion to approve \$14,820 for toxics and \$7,260 for SCAN
 - Sam motions
 - Tom seconds
 - Passes unanimously with one abstention

- **Campaign Discussion**
 - Provisional List
 - H&H
 - Textbooks
 - Solar
 - Bag Ban
 - Boxed Water
 - Transportation
 - Net Neutrality
 - Antibiotics
 - Most people think we should run 5 campaigns
 - This is the primary vote to ask PIRG what the cost is to run these campaigns
 - Boxed Water/Solar as mini-campaigns?
 - Locked in:
 - H&H
 - Transpo
 - Running transportation with bike share program as a priority (over Housy)
 - Maybe run Housy as a quick-hit
 - Textbooks
 - Sam proposes one environmental and one consumer campaign with the two remaining slots

 - Final Vote
 - Environmental
 - Solar
 - Consumer
 - Antibiotics
 - Final List
 - Transportation
 - H&H
 - Textbooks
 - Antibiotics
 - Solar

- Net Neutrality and Housy as quick hits
- Saman motions to request quotes for the the 5 campaigns
 - Sam motions
 - Tom seconds
 - Passes unanimously with two abstentions

Meeting adjourned at 9:46 PM

Minutes submitted by Andrea Hellwig