

UConnPIRG Core

Minutes

[11/3/14]

SU Room 303

Meeting called to order at: 8:05 PM

Attendees: Emma Kraner, Tom McGlone, Christian Allyn, Sam Hollister, Saman Azimi, Lee Aggison, Thomas Chadwick, Katherine McLeese, Scott Dombrowski, Candace Pratt, Matt Roe, Jeffrey Santi, Oluwatoyin Akinnusotu, Pauline Elmore

Also in attendance: Gina DeVivo Brassaw

- **Campaign Updates**
 - **New Voter's Project**
 - Preparing for election day tomorrow
 - Table on Fairfield Way and class raps
 - **Textbooks**
 - Matt met with Sally Reiss last week
 - Forming a committee with 3 students from PIRG and 3 from USG
 - **Hunger and Homelessness**
 - Preparing H+H Awareness Week
 - Chose the movie they will show on Monday
 - Clothing drive is going well, have about 300 articles
 - **Zero Waste**
 - Trash Trivia table at Northwest on Thursday from 4:15 - 7:15 PM
 - **Transportation**
 - Looking into a bike share program
 - City-bike model with bike share locations that use UConn ID swipe
 - Part of transportation fee
 - Meeting with Eco Husky and going to the library to look at the old policy
 - Possible meeting with Malloy for Housatonic Railroad planning
- **Chapter Updates**
 - Campaign Selection Guiding Questions:
 1. Is the campaign a public interest issue?
 2. Does PIRG have a history in dealing with this issue?
 3. Is it a big deal? What is the scope of the campaign?
 4. Can we make a difference?
 5. How well will it recruit?
 6. Do we have the funds?
 7. Does this position us to do more?
 8. Is there a variety of tactics we can use?
 9. Where is this issue relevant? Is it local, state, national?

- Campaign Ideas and Proposal Writers
 - H+H
 - Textbooks – Sam
 - Recycling
 - GMOs
 - Solar/alternative energy
 - Climate change – Chadwick
 - Transportation – Christian
 - Net neutrality - Scott
 - Sexual assault – Addy and Pauline
 - Gender inequality
 - A student consumer guide – Sam
 - An ethical student consumer guide – Sam
 - Accessible classrooms
 - Boxed water – Candace
 - Banning plastic bags
 - Private prisons – Sam and Saman
 - Debt trap
 - Political processes education – Chadwick
 - Banning Styrofoam

- **Minutes**
 - Emma motions to approve the minutes from October 27th, 2014
 - Sam seconds
 - Passes unanimously

- **Treasurer's Update**
 - Submitting 3 of 5 campaign invoices from last semester
 - Setting up meeting times with current campaign coordinators to get documentation done by the end of the semester

Meeting adjourned at 9:12 PM

Minutes submitted by Andrea Hellwig