

**UConnPIRG Core Meeting**  
Monday September 19th, 2016  
Student Union Room 317

Attendance

**Voting Members:** *Sam Bedard, Ian Beattie, Alex Pawlak, Emmett O'Donnell, Brandon Chesnut, Kharl Reynado, Saman Azimi, Colin Bixler, Matt Talley, Casey Lambert, Alex Depasquale, Emily O'Hara, Jameson Foulke, Chelsea Garua, Walter Dodson, Cameron Cantelmo, Metban Ajak, Benjamin Hellmann, Samuel Jaffe, Angela Holley,*

**Non-Voting Members:** *Sahar Iqbal, Rebekah Rowe, Rich McKenny, Makaila Mahon, Noah O'Connor, Calvin Mahlstedt, Clay Paley, Dinelson Rosario*

**Guests:** *Shawna Upton*

Meeting Called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Kharl Reynado

- I. Introductions
- II. Overview of Agenda
- III. Training
  - a. NVP Messaging (Kharl)
    - i. Remain non-partisan at all times
    - ii. Goal Strategy
      1. Problem: Young people don't vote
      2. Solution: By registering young people to vote, we remove some of the red tape students face when voting
    - iii. National Voter Registration Day: Tuesday September 27<sup>th</sup>
      1. Goal 250
        - a. 4 tables, 75 registrations per table
  - b. Tripod Overview (Casey)
    - i. 3 legs that a strong chapter is based on
    - ii. If any one leg fails, the chapter is weak
    - iii. Focus on bottle ban
      1. High-visibility campaign
      2. Opportunity to engage with students and improve visibility on campus, creating a lasting impact on students
  - c. Retreat (Saman)
    - i. October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> on UConn campus
      1. Chance to meet and work with other regional chapters, and meet staff
      2. Get valuable training
    - ii. Attendance Goal: 60-100 people
    - iii. Preparation
      1. We need food donations
      2. And people to house guests
- IV. Updates

- a. H&H (Matt Talley)
  - i. Spare change drive
    - 1. Distribute containers to local businesses
    - 2. Holding tables
  - ii. Blanket Drive
    - 1. Want to make 100 blankets
      - a. Do be donated during H&H awareness drive
      - b. Goal (25 service hours)
  - iii. OxFam Banquet
    - 1. Goal: Raise \$500 and have
- b. NVP (Kharl)
  - i. Presidential Debate viewing party
    - 1. 8:30, Next Gen Forum
  - ii. Tables on Tuesday
    - 1. Northwest 11-2
    - 2. Fairfield Way 11-3
    - 3. Putnam 4-7
    - 4. Towers 4-7
- c. Bottle (Casey)
  - i. Table on Thursday 12-3
  - ii. Stickers and Bottles are being designed
  - iii. Ask for people to collect plastic bottles
- d. Democracy (Brandon)
  - i. Weekly instead of bi-weekly, Friday at 3pm
  - ii. Ask people to volunteer at National Voter Registration Day tables

V. Business

- a. Vote to approve the minutes from last week
  - i. Saman Motions
  - ii. Brandon Seconds
  - iii. Passes Unanimously
- b. Vote to approve quarterly bill for last fiscal year
  - i. \$671.00
    - 1. 3 months of phone bill
    - 2. Wages for former campus coordinator
  - ii. Casey Motions
  - iii. Ian Seconds
  - iv. Passes Unanimously

Meeting Adjourned 8:03 by Kharl