

UConnPIRG Core Meeting 20-20
Tuesday February 18th, 2020, 7 PM
SU 214

Voting Members: Emily O'Hara (Chair), Jessica Gagnon (Vice Chair), Maya Murarka (Treasurer), Michael Katz (Secretary), Dylan DeMoura, Mary Elizabeth Monticello, Julia Ward, Elizabeth Turano, Colleen Keller, Natalie Seier (*on call*)

- I. Meeting brought to order at 7:02pm by Emily O'Hara (Chair)
- II. Business
 - A. Approval of 2/10/20 Minutes
 1. O'Hara (Chair) motions to approve the 2/10/20 minutes.
 2. Jessica Gagnon (Vice Chair) seconds.
 3. Motion passes unanimously (*Gagnon (Vice Chair) and Dylan DeMoura abstain*).
 - B. Travel for the PIRG Blue Hills Retreat in Massachusetts
 1. O'Hara (Chair) wants to pay for travel to a training and planning conference in Massachusetts.
 2. DeMoura says that three people are driving there.
 3. O'Hara (Chair) motions to approve up to \$500 for travel for the PIRG Blue Hills Retreat in Massachusetts.
 4. Colleen Keller seconds.
DeMoura and Julia Ward leave the room at 7:06 p.m.
 5. Motion passes unanimously (*DeMoura and Ward recuse themselves*).
DeMoura and Ward reenter the room at 7:07 p.m.
 - C. Travel Reimbursement to Jessica Gagnon for Driving to and from the Airport
 1. Gagnon (Vice Chair) says she wants to drive Keller and Kyleigh Hillerud to and from the airport for the National Student Forum.
Gagnon (Vice Chair) leaves the room at 7:08 p.m.
 2. Keller clarifies the need to get to and from the airport by car, as it is the most cost-effective and efficient option.
 3. O'Hara (Chair) motions to approve up to \$100 in travel reimbursements to Gagnon (Vice Chair) for driving Keller and Hillerud to and from the airport for the National Student Forum.
 4. Mary Elizabeth Monticello seconds.
 5. Motion passes unanimously (*Gagnon (Vice Chair) recuses herself*).
Gagnon (Vice Chair) reenters the room at 7:09 p.m.
 - D. Vote Redux for Travel for the PIRG Blue Hills Retreat in Massachusetts
 1. O'Hara (Chair) renders the original vote null and void by unanimous consent.
DeMoura and Ward leave the room at 7:10 p.m.
 2. O'Hara (Chair) motions to approve up to \$500 for travel for the PIRG Blue Hills Retreat in Massachusetts.
 3. Elizabeth Turano seconds.
 4. Motion passes unanimously (*DeMoura and Ward recuse themselves*).

DeMoura and Ward reenter the room at 7:11 p.m.

- E. Stickers for the H&H, ZW, and Textbooks campaigns
 - 1. Gagnon (Vice Chair) notes that the stickers will help with organizational visibility and provide materials for giveaway tables.
 - 2. O'Hara (Chair) motions to approve the purchase of 1500 stickers (500 each) for the Hunger & Homelessness, Zero Waste, and Affordable Textbooks campaigns for up to \$900 (the total projected cost is \$612 - \$585 for the stickers and \$27 for estimated freight charges).
 - 3. Gagnon (Vice Chair) seconds.
 - 4. Motion passes unanimously.
- F. Travel to Hartford for Friday Hearing
 - 1. O'Hara (Chair) notes that Friday's legislative hearing will directly affect UConn students, not only in the event that a statewide polystyrene ban passes, but also by providing lobbying practice and experience working on the campaign.
 - 2. DeMoura says that he and Chad Schroeder are driving themselves and their peers to Hartford and back, and that they anticipate about ten students coming to Friday's hearing.
DeMoura leaves the room at 7:13 p.m.
 - 3. O'Hara (Chair) motions to approve up to \$200 for travel to Hartford for Friday's legislative hearing.
 - 4. Gagnon (Vice Chair) seconds.
 - 5. Motion passes unanimously (*DeMoura recuses himself*).
DeMoura reenters the room at 7:14 p.m.
- G. Pizza for Activist Class
 - 1. Gagnon (Vice Chair) wants to establish a recurring pizza order for each week's activist class sessions, both of which take place during dinnertime. She proposes two 20" pizzas from Sgt Pepperoni each day.
 - 2. Gagnon (Vice Chair) motions to approve up to \$800 for two orders of pizza/week for UConnPIRG's activist class.
 - 3. Monticello seconds.
 - 4. Motion passes unanimously.
- H. Pizza for Mentorship Meeting
 - 1. Gagnon (Vice Chair) is unsure if this is feasible, but she wants to provide up to three pizzas for \$50 for February 25's mentorship meeting (which will also take place during dinnertime).
 - 2. Gagnon (Vice Chair) motions to approve up to \$75 for three pizzas for February 25's mentorship meeting.
 - 3. Keller seconds.
 - 4. Motion passes unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17pm

Minutes submitted by Michael Katz (Secretary)