

UConnPIRG Core Meeting 21-4
Monday February 15th, 2021, 7 PM
Zoom (remote location due to COVID-19 outbreak)

Voting Members: Colleen Keller (Chair), Dylan DeMoura (Vice Chair), Erin McConnell (Secretary), Maya Murarka (Treasurer), Kyleigh Hillerud, Shafina Chowdhury, Rebecca Tripp, Leah LePage, Benjamin Albee, Sasha Goldblatt, Kent Hurtado, Brian Garzon, David Vallejo, Emily Lopez, Srimayi Chaturvedula

- I. Meeting brought to order at 7:02pm by Colleen Keller (Chair)
- II. Introductions
- III. Chapter Updates
 - A. Keller shares that they have been working with the Business Office on responding to an email from Sam Gibb, who is a member of CONNPIRG. She has also been setting up campus relations work for the semester, and prepping for meetings. Erin McConnell has been taking minutes, and working on the UConncontact roster. Dylan DeMoura has started indy's with the campaign coordinators this week and is planning for campaign coordinator bootcamp. Maya Murarka worked on the budget, did the Purchase Request for the Student Life Awards, and is scheduling meetings with the campaign coordinators. Upcoming action includes finalizing the UConncontact roster.
 - B. Benjamin Albee gives the Ex-Officio update. Elections are in full swing in USG.
- IV. Campaign Updates
 - A. Albee gives the Save the Earth campaign update. The 5th podcast episode was recorded on Friday and posted today, and they have reached out to the Beekeeping Club for the next episode. They have called elected officials and left voicemails. They are almost done with flyers about ways to reduce your carbon footprint, decided on PrintNatural and Eco Marketing Solutions for sustainable merchandise, and the Purchase Request for this will be worked on next week. Upcoming action includes an in-person masked meeting Friday at 4pm in the Student Organization Center (SOC).
 - B. Rebecca Tripp gives the Hunger & Homelessness update. They had our first campaign meeting last Friday where they determined next steps for visibility, legislation, Husky Market, Creating Caring Communities (CCC), service projects, and the Planting Our Roots Initiative. They met with the USG Food Insecurity Task Force to work on the Husky Market application. They finalized the revamped website in preparation for the syllabi project with USG's Academic Affairs. Upcoming actions includes website development, determining finances with Murarka for Husky Market and merchandise, solidifying the collaboration with Swipe Out Hunger on the SNAP database, tracking key bills to draft the first legislative update email, meeting with USG and CCC for the syllabi project, and seeking out new opportunities for service-oriented projects.
 - C. Leah LePage gives the Public Health update. They set the official campaign meeting time, which is Wednesdays from 6-7pm, and their office hours, which are Wednesdays from 10am-12pm. They give some Vaccine Advisory Committee

updates, which include that the cumulative total doses is over 580,000. Upcoming action includes the first official campaign meeting, assigning campaign roles, and research and data tracking of vaccine information.

- D. Shafina Chowdhury gives the Affordable Textbooks update. They finally got storage for the Textbook Exchange Network (TEN), in Student Union 215. The launch date for TEN is February 22nd, which is when the physical collection of books will start. They are still figuring out the schedule for collection. In their first campaign meeting, they discussed updates from winter break, Open Educational Resources (OER) Week, and professor emails. Upcoming action includes indy meetings with members of the campaign, OER Week planning, sorting out professor emails by school, reaching out to the Library, a meeting about TEN, and the campaign meeting every Thursday at 3:30pm.
 - E. Sasha Goldblatt gives the Women's Campaign update. The official campaign meeting time is Thursdays at 3pm. Upcoming action includes the first campaign meeting either this week or next week, researching Connecticut legislation impacting women, and outreach to student organizations, including scheduling a call with the National Organization for Women (NOW) to see what issues they are working on already.
- V. Budget Presentation & Funding Training
- A. Murarka gives a brief overview of how we are funded. Then, members split up into breakout groups to give elevator pitches about how we are funded, and complete a Padlet to decide whether we can use our money in specific scenarios.
- VI. Business
- A. SFAC Budget Narrative
 - 1. Keller motions to approve the SFAC Budget Narrative.
 - 2. Kyleigh Hillerud seconds.
 - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
 - B. SFAC Fact Sheet
 - 1. Keller motions to approve the SFAC Fact Sheet.
 - 2. Chowdhury seconds.
 - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
 - C. Budget for the SFAC Presentation 2021
 - 1. Keller motions to approve the Budget for the SFAC Presentation 2021.
 - 2. Tripp seconds.
 - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
 - D. Minutes
 - 1. Keller motions to approve the Core meeting minutes from Monday, February 8th, 2021.
 - 2. Hillerud seconds.
 - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
 - a) David Vallejo abstains.
- VII. Announcements/Wrap Up
- A. Tripp announces that the chapter should bookmark the Hunger & Homelessness website: <https://sites.google.com/uconn.edu/uconnpirghh/home>.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm
Minutes submitted by Erin McConnell (Secretary)