

UConnPIRG Core Meeting 21-9
Monday March 22nd, 2021, 7 PM
Zoom (remote location due to COVID-19 outbreak)

Voting Members: Colleen Keller (Chair), Dylan DeMoura (Vice Chair), Maya Murarka (Treasurer), Kyleigh Hillerud, Shafina Chowdhury, Rebecca Tripp, Leah LePage, Benjamin Albee, Gianella Anyosa, Natalie Seier, Monet Paredes, Sasha Goldblatt, Srimayi Chaturvedula, David Vallejo

- I. Meeting brought to order at 7:04pm by Colleen Keller (Chair)
- II. Introductions
- III. Chapter Updates
 - A. Keller shares that elections for the new Executive Board were last week, and the current Executive Board is working on transitions. They have been planning campus relations for the rest of the semester. Maya Murarka has been working on purchase requests for Husky Market and the Women's Campaign, and has met with the Business Office. Dylan DeMoura is running Activist Class and working on the usual. Erin McConnell has been taking minutes and keeping track of the calendar.
 - B. Benjamin Albee gives the Ex-Officio update. There is a Mental Wellness workshop that the Undergraduate Student Government (USG) is hosting tomorrow.
 - C. Julia Ward gives the Legislative Committee update. The meeting times are Mondays at 6pm and Tuesdays at 5pm.
- IV. Campaign Updates
 - A. Rebecca Tripp gives the Hunger & Homelessness update. They share that they are developing their website, working on the Closet Coalition, and hosting a legislative workshop on April 5th from 4-5pm to review bills, conduct a testimony training, and engage in Twitter activism with student organizations. They also recently had \$20,000 for Husky Market approved. The campaign meetings are Fridays at 2pm.
 - B. Shafina Chowdhury gives the Affordable Textbooks update. They share that they will be filming with Red Hat this week for their documentary, sending out emails to professors, creating a brochure for the campaign to distribute, and making a checklist for students shopping for textbooks. The campaign meetings are Thursdays at 3:30pm.
 - C. Leah LePage gives the Public Health update. They share that they are still working on outreach, and that just under 215,000 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine arrived last week. The campaign meetings are Wednesdays at 6pm.
 - D. Albee gives the Save the Earth update. They share that their flyers should be put up by Residence Assistants this week, they are recording an episode of their podcast with Michael Christy, the founding president of Powerup UConn, later this week, and they are planning Earth Day events at their next campaign meeting. The campaign meetings are Sundays at 5pm.

- E. Sasha Goldblatt gives the Women's Campaign update. They share that their first Instagram post is up, they are working on finalizing submissions for care packages, legislative research is coming along, and they have recruited more volunteers from Pack Ambassadors. The campaign meetings are Thursdays at 3pm.
- V. Highlight: Hunger & Homelessness Campaign
 - A. Keller shares that Srimayi Chaturvedula will be presenting about the Hunger & Homelessness campaign, specifically the visibility and legislative tactics.
 - B. Chaturvedula shares a tweet that members of the chapter can tweet out to their representatives.
- VI. Business
 - A. Minutes
 - 1. Keller motions to approve the Core meeting minutes from Monday, March 15th, 2021.
 - 2. LePage seconds.
 - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
 - a) David Vallejo and Chaturvedula abstain.
- VII. Announcements/Wrap Up
 - A. Keller wishes everyone a happy first week of spring!
 - B. Natalie Seier announces that staff/leadership should check the Slack for their message.
 - C. Kyleigh Hillerud announces that campaign coordinators should note if they have any seniors on their campaigns.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm

Minutes submitted by Erin McConnell (Secretary)