

UConn Praxis Core Meeting 22-3
Monday September 13th, 2021, 7 PM
Student Organization Center & Zoom (remote location due to COVID-19 outbreak)

Voting Members (in-person): Natalie Seier (President), Rebecca Tripp (Vice President), Benjamin Albee (Treasurer), Monet Paredes (Secretary), Nia Moore, Mehdi Namazi, Esai Vazquez-Marentes, Colleen Keller, Jessica Roberts, Cheyenne Tavares, Rachael Alle

Voting Members (virtual): Gianella Ansoya

Non-voting member(s) (in-person): Leah Nenninger, William Ofori, Zoey Baltrush, Ryan Cleary, Annalie Guzzo

- I. Meeting brought to order at 7:01pm by Natalie Seier (President)
- II. Welcome and Introductions
- III. Organizational Updates
 - A. Executive Board Update
 1. Seier shares the update. They have been working on the Praxis rebrand, going to Triad retreats, and hosted Campaign Coordinator Bootcamp. Kickoff is on Wednesday at 7pm, Rally for a Peaceful Planet will be taking place in October and activist class and mentor program will be starting up.
 - B. Cabinet/Staff Update
 1. Esai Vazquez-Marentes shares the update. The Cabinet/Staff has updated the office calendar, started working in quick books and has been focusing on Kickoff.
- IV. Campaign Updates
 - A. Nia Moore shares the Affordable Textbooks update. They have been meeting with the library to prepare for open access week. They will be working on their kickoff poster as well as OER (Open Education Resources) surveys and have a TEN meeting 9/17.
 - B. Seier shares the Hunger and Homelessness update. The campaign has been working with Stacy Maddern in the Urban Studies department and the Charter Oak Cultural Center as well as the rebanding of the H&H website.
 - C. Medhi Namazi shares the Sustainable Skies update. They have been independent recruiting, working with interns to create a Twitch: How to guide. Began campus outreach with USG to work with Tampon Time to get the program in women's and gender neutral bathrooms. They will continue coalition building and continue preparing for the Save the Earth Podcast.
 - D. Seier shared the Women's Rights campaign update. They are working on giving out care packages, brainstorming for the semester, getting pronoun pins, and reaching out to USG. They are booking Nadya Okamoto who is the founder of PERIOD to speak and planning a movie screening. Finally they are planning fundraisers for women's shelters.

- E. Jessica Roberts shares the Zero Waste update. They have been working on recruitment, meeting with their communications intern, working on reaching out to TerraCycle and meeting with H&H about collecting plastic bags.

V. Business

A. Minutes

- 1. Seier motions to approve the Core meeting minutes from Monday, August 9th, 2021.
- 2. Rebecca Tripp Seconds.
- 3. Motion passes unanimously.

B. June Monthly Bill

- 1. Seier motions to approve \$21,214.07 towards the June Monthly Bill.
- 2. Cheyenne Tavares seconds.
- 3. Discussion
 - a) Tripp clarifies that the \$20,000 went to giftcards for food insecure students.
- 4. Motion passes unanimously.

C. July Monthly Bill

- 1. Seier motions to approve \$1,807.95 towards the July Monthly Bill.
- 2. Tripp seconds.
- 3. Discussion
 - a) Monet Paredes asks for clarification on the Bill amount for the minutes.
- 4. Motion passes unanimously.

D. August Monthly Bill

- 1. Seier motions to approve \$3,304.85 towards the August Monthly Bill.
- 2. Benjamin Albee seconds.
- 3. Motion passes unanimously.

E. Every Vote Counts (EVC) Agreement

- 1. Seier motions to approve the signing of the EVC Partnership License agreement.
- 2. Albee seconds.
- 3. Motion passes unanimously.

VI. Activity

A. Chalk and Phonebank for Kickoff

- 1. Members split up into two groups to work on getting information about Kickoff out to campus.

VII. Announcements/Wrap Up

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Minutes submitted by Monet Paredes (Secretary)