

UConn Praxis Core Meeting 22-9
Monday, October 25th, 2021, 7 PM
SU 331 & Zoom (remote location due to COVID-19 outbreak)

Voting Members (in-person): Natalie Seier (President), Rebecca Tripp (Vice President), Monet Paredes (Secretary), Rachael Allegakoen, Mehdi Namazi, Esai Vazquez-Marentes, Cheyenne Tavares, Jessica Roberts, Nia Moore, Srimayi Chaturvedula, Gideon Botnick, Dafne Alpdogan, Cameron Cianci, Zoe Macris, Aaron Hinze, William Ofori

Voting Member (virtual): Zoe Baltrush

Non-Voting Members (in-person): Ashton Vacciana, Cara Pemberton

Non-Voting Members (virtual): Lili Zheng

Guest (virtual): Zachariah Claybaugh (Student Success Librarian)

- I. Meeting brought to order at 7:03pm by Natalie Seier (President)
- II. Welcome and Introductions
- III. Organizational Updates
 - A. Executive Board Update
 1. Seier shares the update. They met with the Hunger & Homelessness Campaign Coordinator to discuss Husky Market, they updated the Treasurer's folder, are going to be hiring a Retention and Recruitment director with applications closing November 1st are presenting to the Board of Trustees this thursday. This week's activist class will focus on coalition building.
 - B. Cabinet/Staff Update
 1. Esai Vazquez-Marentes shares the update. They have been thinking about purchasing a tent and banner for tables. They ask members to support Open Access Week.
- IV. Campaign Updates
 - A. Nia Moore shares the Affordable Textbooks update. They share that Open Access Week starts today where they started an Instagram takeover to highlight this week's events. They had a meeting with Eathan Werslter about the Barnes and Noble program. They created a newsletter for OER. They encourage members to sign up to help with tabling on Thursday in the library. Campaign meetings are Thursday at 7pm.
 - B. Srimayi Chaturvedula shares the Hunger and Homelessness update. They are planning for Hunger and Homelessness awareness week with an educational panel, donation drives and movie screening. They invited Muad Hrezi to the panel and IRIS to speak during Hunger and Homelessness week. The projected launch date for Husky Market is November 1st. Campaign meetings are on Thursdays 5pm.

- C. Medhi Namazi shares the Sustainable Skies update. They edited the first podcast episode, met with Caitlin Daddona on sponsoring racks for clothing swaps, updated the greenhouse gas emission report, met with Willi-waste about recycling on campus. They will begin weekly tabling for surveys on the biking system. Campaign meetings are on Sundays at 12pm.
 - D. Zoe Baltrush shares the Women's Rights campaign update. They are planning the panel on reproductive health and consent, designed t-shirts for breast cancer awareness and highlighted upcoming events. Campaign meetings are Thursdays at 4pm.
 - E. Jessica Roberts shares the Zero Waste update. They share that Seaspiracy will be shown at movie night, are reaching out to Price Chopper about donating extra produce, and planning to put out the first podcast. They planned tables on November 9th and Nov 10th and are planning a student art event with recycled materials with the Benton Museum. Campaign meetings are Wednesdays at 5pm.
- V. Business
- A. Minutes
 - 1. Seier motions to approve the Core meeting minutes from Monday, October 18th, 2021.
 - 2. Gideon Botnick seconds.
 - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
- VI. Open Access Week Presentation
- A. Zachariah Claybaugh gives a presentation on the history of Open Access Week and its goals today.
- VII. Announcements/Action Items
- A. Seier shades that the incidents report and members highlight QR codes are in the office and local elections are next Tuesday.
 - B. Rebecca Tripp shares that all members should join the mentorship program.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46pm

Minutes submitted by Monet Paredes (Secretary)