

UConn Praxis General Membership Meeting 22-19  
Monday, February 21st, 2022, 7:00 PM  
SU 331 & Zoom (due to COVID-19 outbreak)

Voting Members (in person): Natalie Seier (President), Rebecca Tripp (Vice-President), Benjamin Albee (Treasurer), Monet Paredes (Secretary), Zoe Baltrush, Srimayi Chaturvedula, Esai Vazquez-Marentes, Kymberly Roberts, Peyton Marie De Lorenzo, Zoe Macris, Mehdi Namazi, Cheyenne Tavares, Meredith Veilleux, Rachael Allegakoen, Lauren McNally, Laura Augenbraun, Kaleigh Lambert, William Ofori, Desiray Green, Jessica Roberts

Voting Members (virtual): Rebekah Wesler, Defne Alpdogan, Samantha Lamb

- I. Meeting brought to order at 7:04pm by Natalie Seier (President)
- II. Welcome & Introductions
- III. Organization Updates
  - A. Executive Board
    1. Seier shares that the executive board met with the Board of Trustees, Student Life Committee and are planning grit work semester planning for the semester for activist class this week. Legislative committee meetings will start this Wednesday from 1-2pm.
  - B. Cabinet & Staff
    1. Cheyenne Tavares shares that the Cabinet made a graphic for weekly meetings that will be posted every week.
    2. Jessica Roberts shares there will be a visibility table next week and asks any interested to sign up and the mentorship program is underway.
- IV. Campaign Updates
  - A. Education for Everybody
    1. Seier shares the campaign has a virtual NoLo presentation 3/9 and working on education supply grab and go. Campaign meetings are Monday from 4-5pm.
  - B. Food and Housing Equity Project
    1. Srimayi Chaturvedula shares that they are waiting for Husky Market gift cards, thinking about the future of Husky Market, working on a reusable container program, working on the Student Needs Project and currently have 100 responses. Upcoming, they have a table on Wednesday where they will be collecting more responses. Campaign meetings are Monday from 6-7pm.
  - C. Public Health
    1. Kymberly Roberts shares that they are planning chalking and spirit rock painting. Campaign meetings are Thursday from 6:30-7:30pm..
  - D. Sustainable Skies
    1. Medhi Namazi shares that they are planning the Connecticut Environmental Justice Conference Workshop, finding speakers and working on incorporating art. Husky March reservations went through and

are planning a thrifting trip to Manchester. Upcoming they will be working on swap Instagram posts. Campaign meetings are Sundays at 3pm.

- E. Voter Voices
  - 1. Zoe Baltrush shares that they had their first campaign meeting, and will be having a weekly tabling event. Upcoming they will be meeting with Denise Merrill and Every Vote Counts. Campaign meetings are Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30pm.
- V. Business
  - A. Minutes
    - 1. Seier motions to approve the UConn Praxis General Membership Meeting minutes from Monday, February 7th.
    - 2. Chaturvedula seconds.
    - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
  - B. Student Needs Project: Gansett Wraps Gift Card
    - 1. Seier motions to approve an up to amount of \$60 for a Gansett Wraps gift card for the Student Needs Project survey.
    - 2. Benjamin Albee seconds.
    - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
  - C. Student Needs Project: Dunkin Donuts Gift Card
    - 1. Seier motions to approve an up to amount of \$60 for a Dunkin Donuts gift card for the Student Needs Project survey.
    - 2. Namazi seconds.
    - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
  - D. Student Needs Project: Starbucks Gift Cards
    - 1. Seier motions to approve an up to amount of \$60 for Starbucks gift card for the Student Needs Project survey.
    - 2. Rebecca Tripp seconds.
    - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
  - E. Student Needs Project: Blaze Pizza Gift Card
    - 1. Seier motions to approve an up to amount of \$60 for a Blaze Pizza gift card for the Student Needs Project survey.
    - 2. Namazi seconds.
    - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
  - F. Student Needs Project: DP Dough Gift Card
    - 1. Seier motions to approve an up to amount of \$60 for a DP Dough gift card for the Student Needs Project survey.
    - 2. Tavares seconds.
    - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
  - G. Student Needs Project: UConn Bookstore Gift Card
    - 1. Seier motions to approve an up to amount of \$110 for a UConn Bookstore gift card for the Student Needs Project survey.
    - 2. Peyton Marie De Lorenzo seconds.
    - 3. Motion passes unanimously.
  - H. Masks

1. Seier motions to approve an up to amount of \$10 for 100 disposable masks.
2. Esai Vazquez-Marentes seconds.
3. Discussion:
  - a) Tripp says they will go to CVS anyways
4. Motion does not pass (*Natalie Seier (President), Rebecca Tripp (Vice-President), Benjamin Albee (Treasurer), Monet Paredes (Secretary), Zoe Baltrush, Srimayi Chaturvedula, Esai Vazquez-Marentes, Kymberly Roberts, Peyton Marie De Lorenzo, Zoe Macris, Mehdi Namazi, Meredith Veilleux, Rachael Allegakoen, Lauren McNally, Laura Augenbraun, Kaleigh Lambert, William Ofori, Desiray Green, Jessica Roberts, Rebekah Wesler, Defne Alpdogan and Samantha Lamb dissent*)

VI. Activity: Mission Vision Board

- A. There is no activity for the sake of time.

VII. Announcements & Action items

- A. Seier shares to come to activist class and legislative committee this Wednesday.
- B. Tavares shares the Communications meeting tomorrow.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm

Minutes submitted by Monet Paredes (Secretary)