**Attendance:** Justin Fang, Nafis Fuad, Erin Curry, Gabrielle Corso, Damaris Thuita and Deepa Shukla

**Meeting began at 9:05am**

1. **Executive Committee Reports:**
   1. President – Justin Fang
      1. UConn BoT Elections are this Tues/Weds/Thurs
      2. Guest speaker for this upcoming meeting will be Kent Holsinger (Dean of Graduate Students)
      3. Update on electric buses on campus:
2. Reduction on energy uses; switching out light bulbs, insulation, max out renewables then burn fossil fuels, glass is up to the newest standards, electric buses are deferred until a joint partnership can be established with WRTD.
   * 1. University Bylaws Changes
        1. Additional grad student on University Senate
        2. Inclusion of 1 grad student on Presidential Search Steering Committee
     2. Provost Search
        1. Reviewing pool of candidates in December
        2. Jan/Feb/Mar will be when interviews are conducted
        3. Late spring is when a final decision will be made
        4. Summer 2020 will be when the candidate will begin
     3. Chief Diversity Officer search
        1. Will cover the health center, all of campus
        2. Looking to focus on retention and recruitment via cluster hires
        3. Plans to have the Provost’s office to facilitate hires (cluster hiring, women, diversity, etc.)
   1. Vice President – Erin Curry
      1. Carpooling App Status
         1. Transportation and parking services are on board
         2. Meeting with candidate to develop the App
         3. If this person falls through then another will be selected
      2. Hiring of new GSS office Admin Assistant
         1. Nafis and Erin have narrowed it down to 2 candidates
         2. One is going to be graduating this spring and the other will graduate the following spring
         3. After discussing both candidates with the E-board, we have decided to select Manu Shankar for this position
      3. Tier II Officer SOLID Trainings (With Kristen Carr)
         1. Reminder to all Tier II Officers to complete SOLID trainings otherwise the Tier II orgs will be frozen by SABO if non-compliant
      4. Committee Recruitment:
         1. Finance Committee
         2. President’s Council on Race and Diversity
   2. Treasurer – Nafis Fuad
      1. Cancelled “duplicate phone line” in GSS office
      2. Coffee filter purchase cancelled and another PO should be made for the projector screen
      3. Stock and Lock storage facilities cost $760.50 so would like to move funds from office assistance budget to cover this cost

* *Nafis made a motion to transfer $760.57 from office administrative assistance salary budget to pay this cost. This was approved unanimously by the e-board.* 
  + 1. Would like to buy a single license for the GSS computer for Adobe Acrobat pro or Adobe Creative Cloud which could cost up to $350
* *Nafis made a motion to transfer $350 from office admi.nistrative assistance salary budget to pay this cost. This was approved unanimously by the e-board.* 
  + 1. Treasurer training went well for those who attended
    2. Has paid the monthly bills for April and June 2019 and will proceed to pay for July and August
    3. 2 special allocations requests; TARANG and ICOU
* *Nafis made a motion to approve the ICOU request and although the amount requested was within the budget per person, however, this SA was denied by the e-board because ICOU did not meet the spring attendance requirements last semester. If they decide to ask another Tier II or the activities director to co-host this event, we would be okay with the amount requested.*
* *Nafis made a motion to approve the TARANG request with the following modification to refreshments. $4375(Budgeted) + $1225(SA request) = $5600 total refreshments cost for estimated 400 people. $5600/400\*325=$4550. The E-board unanimously approves the rental facilities cost for $3000 and is willing to approve a $175 increase for the refreshments.* 
  + 1. Still looking for 5 nominations total for the finance committee and have received 1 so far, which means we will need 3 more senators and 1 more senator at large or non-senator. Gaby will need to send an email out to all senators to broadcast this.
  1. Communications Director – Gabrielle Corso
     1. Almost finished compiling an official “GSS” mailing list and will send out to E-board members ASAP
  2. Activities Director – Deepa Shukla
     1. Halloween Happy Hour
        1. Will be across from Huskies Restaraunt on October 31st from 4-6pm
        2. Would also like to hold a best Halloween costume contest (with a prize!)
     2. Thanksgiving Lunch
        1. Will take place on November 21st
        2. Will hold the same menu as last year, unless anybody wants different.
  3. Parliamentarian – Damaris Thuita
     1. Attendance policy review
        1. Will reiterate the policy at the upcoming senate meeting so everyone is aware of the policy
     2. Bylaws change (incorporate multi-dept Tier II RSO’s)
        1. Each department has a maximum of 3 senators
        2. The best way to address this issue is to hold a departmental election which should be incorporated into the bylaws
     3. Graduate Committee report
        1. Updating credit policy for graduate students to decrease their semester credit
        2. These laws will be implemented for new graduate students and would not affect current graduate students

**Meeting adjourned at 11:06am**