

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

University of Connecticut

E-board Meeting Minutes February 9th, 2021 7:00PM – 9:00PM

I. Attendance- Nafis Fuad, Maggie Khuu, Deepa Shukla, Gabrielle Corso, Rebecca Oramas, and Irio Schiano II. Guest Speaker(s):

- a. Carol Atkinson-Palombo, Chair of the Senate Executive Committee
- b. Kent Holsinger, Vice Provost for Graduate Education and Dean of the Graduate School

III. Approval of consent agenda:

- a. GSS E-board meeting minutes -2/9/2021 meeting
- b. GSS Senate meeting minutes -1/20/2021 meeting

IV. Issues Forum:

a) GEU representatives- New member will be speaking.

V. Executive Board Reports:

- a. President -Nafis Fuad
- b. Vice President Maggie Khuu
 - i. New Admin Assistant Kailey Bousquet- Will need license to access files. She will also need to know how to log her hours so she can be paid. She is currently being trained by Darren and Deepa.
 - ii. Update on action items from last meeting- No emails from students that want to be join the Student Life Committee, however, there seems to be a great interest in mental health so Maggie would like focus on modes of action for prevention.
- c. Treasurer Deepa Shukla
 - i. Tier II treasurer training- Training went well and any treasurers that did not attend were instructed to view the slides that were sent out.
 - ii. Tier II budgets- Currently working on the SASFAC budget and there are a few Tier II's that did not meet the attendance requirements so this will need to be addressed. If the budget is not approved by the third meeting, there will be no budget for next year.
- d. Communications Director Gabrielle Corso
 - i. GSS awards
 - 1. Community service award– call for nominees
 - ii. Last senate meeting minutes add the date change in the finance policy change.
 - iii. Consolidate all policy changes in this semester and send it to parliamentarian- Anything that was voted on at the last meeting of Spring 2020 as well.
 - iv. Documents should be uploaded as pdf not word file.
 - v. Update on action items from last meeting
 - vi. Send out Grad student representative email to only senators tomorrow morning to encourage votes.

e. Activities Director – Rebecca Oramas

- i. Events for this semester- Has created a survey to send out to senators so they can choose which events they would like to participate in. If any E-board members have ideas they would like to contribute please let Rebecca know.
- ii. Update on action items from last meeting- Now has access to GSS email, has been trained how to complete paperwork by Deepa and is now working on a list of GSS Spring/Fall potential events.
- f. Parliamentarian Irio Schiano
 - i. Apportionments- Are now complete and will send to Gabrielle after the meeting.
 - ii. Eligible Tier IIs for next year funding- Has investigated which Tier II's are ineligible for funding next year due to attendance requirements.



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- iii. Update all policy changes and send it to Comms Dir to upload in website
- iv. Update on action items from last meeting- GSS does need to renew the constitution this year and plans to submit this soon.

VI. Committee Reports:

- a. University Senate- Irio Schiano- Major topic discussed was Covid.
- b. Scholastic Standards- Maggie Khuu- Academic Integrity and which classes should be offered online.