1. **Attendance: Gabrielle Corso, Sandip Roy, Usman Ali, Israt Jahan, Gianna Raimondi**
2. **Meeting began at 3:48 pm**
3. **Executive Board Reports:**
   1. President – Gabrielle Corso
      1. GSS Vice President Elections- Two nominations have been submitted as of now. Gianna will create a google poll with senators’ UConn emails for Vice President election.
      2. TSOS Fall Deadlines- The deadline to make plans with TSOS for any event is November 4.
      3. Fall/Spring Guest Speakers- Director of SHaW will be the guest speaker on November senate meeting. Gabrielle reached out to UConn president but has not heard from her yet.
      4. E-board Winter Break Hiring- All E-board members have submitted the hiring form. Krista will create a profile in CoreCT. Sandip and Gabrielle will meet her on next Friday.
      5. Office assistant- Bharath Rayala is graduating. A new office assistant will be hired. Interviews of office assistant can take place two weeks after the job posting. We need a voting by senate if we want to appoint two admins. Voting by senate is not required if Bharath is being replaced. Managing loan requests, submitting PR, checking GSS email are office admin’s job. Gabrielle will announce that a position for office assistant has opened up in the next senate meeting.
      6. Spring E-board Meeting Dates- Tabled until December once E-board members know their schedule for Spring semester. Tentative day is Tuesday afternoon.
   2. Vice President –
      1. N/A
   3. Treasurer– Sandip Roy
      1. Loan update- A new field such as “Do you have any outstanding loan?” has been added on the loan form. If yes, then the student will not be able to apply for another loan. Krista has been sending loan reports to Sandip as well so that Sandip can cross check if someone has an outstanding loan. Krista will organize a meeting for Sandip with Comptroller so that loan amount can be increased officially. Regarding the previous unpaid loans, Krista said that GSS cannot forgive those loans. Fund that Grad school has decided to give us can be used to pay off those old loans.
      2. Tier II Budget Training- Budget training will be in December. If a Tier II organization does not attend the budget training, it will not be able to submit budget even if attendance requirement is met. Also, Tier IIs need to advertise their events in the UConn soapbox.
      3. SASFAC Committee- Increasing Graduate Student Fee- GSS needs to justify to SASFAC how money is being spent. Individual departments can decide if they do not want their students to pay grad activity fee. However, most of the departments in Storrs pay activity fee which is $16 per semester. If the fee is not increased, GSS would need to cut Tier II budget as Tier II budgets have increased by 50% since 2019. Tier IIs should email Sandip in his UConn email address.

*A motion was made to increase the grad activity fee from $16 to $28 per semester from Fall 2024. The motion was approved unanimously by the E-board*.

* + 1. Finance Committee Election- election can be under Sandip’s part. Sandip reviewed the rules about Finance committee members. The committee will comprise of 5 people excluding the E-board members: Treasurer, Parliamentarian, and 5 members (one member cannot be a senator, only grad student)
  1. Activities Director– Usman Ali
     1. Thanksgiving Luncheon- Will take place on Nov 15 from 11 am-2 pm. 400 people are expected. There will be 4 time slots. E-board members will be present in the event in the following time slots:

Usman: 11 am-2 pm

Sandip-from 12 pm till the end

Gianna- from 11am

Gaby- 11-11:30 am or 1:30-2:00 pm

Israt- from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm

* + 1. December Happy Hour: Happy hour will be on December 8 or 9. Usman will check venues.
  1. Communications Director – Israt Jahan
     1. Updated Bylaws- Gianna will send Israt the final version to post on the website.

* 1. Parliamentarian – Gianna Raimondi
     1. Parking committee meeting: Jairo Oreo who is in the parking committee cannot attend the first parking committee meeting because of another meeting at the same time. Gabrielle will reach out to Katayoun (senator of LANGSA) if she wants to be in parking committee.

1. **Committee Reports:**
   1. SEC- Gabrielle Corso- SEC has recently been discussing the search for Provost, implementation of non-binary bathrooms, and reinstating the climate action task force.
   2. GFC- Gianna Raimondi- Gianna will bring up the grad feedback to the next GFC meeting.

**Meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.**