

**MINUTES**  
**Student Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 2022, @ 10:00am, WebEX**

**Attendance:**

<b>Asnuntuck CC</b>	Kimberly Shropshire	Rep.	Present
<b>Asnuntuck CC</b>	Samuel Fagerquist	Alt.	Present
<b>Capital CC</b>	Chienye Emenyonu (Dumebi)	Rep.	Present
<b>Gateway CC</b>	Alina Wheeler	Rep.	Present
<b>Housatonic CC</b>	Tommy McMichael	Rep.	Present
<b>Housatonic CC</b>	Djimsy Gilles	Alt.	Present
<b>Manchester CC</b>	Maeve Hogan	Rep.	Present
<b>Middlesex CC</b>	Venishia Nakandala	Rep.	Present
<b>Naugatuck Valley CC</b>	Anaeli Rivera	Rep.	Present
<b>Northwestern CC</b>	Luis Sanchez	Rep.	Present
<b>Norwalk CC</b>	Julia Mesquita	Rep.	Not Present
<b>Quinebaug Valley CC</b>	Faith Killingsmith	Rep.	Not Present
<b>Three Rivers CC</b>	Saphira Dorelus	Rep.	Present
<b>Tunxis CC</b>	Nick Hernandez	Rep.	Present
<b>CCSU</b>	Joshua Edson	Rep.	Present
<b>ECSU</b>	Oliver Driscoll	Rep.	Present
<b>SCSU</b>	Alexander Grant	Rep.	Present
<b>SCSU</b>	Kyle Thaxton	Alt.	Present
<b>WCSU</b>	Ezaan Khan	Rep.	Not Present
<b>WCSU</b>	Aakanksha Koppiseti	Alt.	Not Present
<b>Charter Oak</b>	Donna Wagoner		Not Present

**Others Present:**

Angelo Simoni, Dumebi Emenyonu, Tanya Walters, Saphira Dorelus

**Call to Order:**

Angelo Simoni called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Approval of Previous Minutes:** N/A (First Meeting).

**Informational Items:**

- Angelo Simoni noted that only the appointed representative can cast a vote. The alternate can only vote if the representative is not present.
- The meeting is open to the public and is being recorded. It will be posted on the BOR website.
- Meeting agendas and minutes are posted on the BOR website.

**Introduction:**

- Angelo Simoni introduced the role and duties of SAC and the universities involved (4 State Universities, 12 Community Colleges, and 1 Online Learning College).
- For the year 2022-2023 the SAC Leadership is on the State University rotation, (Student Chair coming from a State University, Vice Chair coming from a Community College).

**New Business:**

- There is only one candidate for each leadership position, so Angelo Simoni asks each candidate to give a statement about themselves and what they will provide to SAC, and to answer any questions.
- Angelo suggests each member to let their respective SGA's know to vote on SAC representatives sooner so that the SAC can be up and running before October in the future.
- Alexander Grant (SCSU) gives his statement for Chair.

Questions:

Nick Hernandez – How would you manage your team?

Alex Grant – Always have a time allotted for open floor, it is easy to miss things that are not on the agenda.

- Luis Sanchez (NWCC) gives statement for Vice Chair.  
No Questions.

- Angelo Simoni talks about how meetings are open to the public, and the possibility of having mixed in-person/virtual meetings (for people who cannot attend).
- Oliver Driscoll (ECSU) gives statement for Secretary.  
No Questions.
  
- Motion from Nick Hernandez (Tunxis CC) to appoint Alexander Grant (SCSU), as Chair of the SAC.  
Second: Venishia Nakandala (MXCC)  
Motion Passes
- Motion from Alexander Grant (SCSU) to appoint Luis Sanchez (NWCC), as Vice Chair of the SAC.  
Second: Nick Hernandez (Tunxis CC)  
Motion Passes
- Motion from Joshua Edson (CCSU) to appoint Oliver Driscoll (ECSU) as Secretary of the SAC.  
Second: Samuel Fagerquist (ACC)  
Motion Passes
- Angelo Simoni talks about importance of having as much representation as possible during meetings (rep. or alternate) in case there are any issue that need to be voted on during the meetings.
- Angelo Simoni brings up the changes to tuition and fees that were voted on at the finance and infrastructure committee meeting for the next upcoming year. There is an upcoming meeting on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> with the Chief Financial Officer for Connecticut State Universities, Ben Barnes, who is answering questions about the changes.

### **Final Comments/Questions:**

- Luis Sanchez (NWCC): “For next meeting, we all as a collective should come up with suggestions on how we can improve in any way, our current campuses and the system as a whole. Maybe next time we can have a discussion about that.”
  
- Angelo Simoni reminds everyone about let him know if they had trouble with the emails and the teams meeting for the tuition meeting.

### **Adjournment:**

Motion by Joshua Edson (CCSU) to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Nick Hernandez (Tunxis CC)

*Meeting was adjourned at 10:34 a.m.*