

**STUDENT UNION POLICY COUNCIL**  
**MEETING AGENDA**  
**Wednesday March 25, 2009**  
**6:30 P.M**  
**S.U. 324**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

A. Meeting called to order at 6:50 p.m.

**II. CORRECTIONS AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

A. *Minutes handed out*

B. Elizabeth (Chair): Please look over the minutes. Any corrections or problems?

C. *The Minutes are passed.*

**III. OPEN DISCUSSION**

**A. HuskyPrint Vacant Space**

- i. Chuck (Associate Director of Operations): We have an idea for the vacant space where HuskyPrint used to be: a cell phone store.
- ii. Rich (International Center): What about the Dairy Bar?
- iii. Ben (WHUS): Which carrier would it be?
- iv. Chuck: I'm pretty sure Radio Shack does all the carriers.
- v. Jonathan (Student Union Manager): There's no storage room in that space.
- vi. Chuck: They'd know that beforehand. Plus think of an airport, they don't have storage space for their kiosks.
- vii. Ben: There is a Verizon kiosk at Friendly's down the road.
- viii. Chuck: What is your first choice?
- ix. Rich: I still think an ING is the best. 80% of off campus is through them and that would be pretty cool to be able to pay your bills in the Student Union.
- x. Ben: But there's still that 20% left out.
- xi. Jonathan: That's a pretty selective group of students as well.
- xii. Ben: If we can't put the Dairy Bar in there, then I think a legal services office would be good.
- xiii. Rich: Do they still want to be there?
- xiv. Chuck: I will find out how many students would use an ING office.
- xv. Jonathan: Parking would also be a problem if the students have to come here to pay their bills.
- xvi. Miguel (SUBOG): They wouldn't have to close down their other office.
- xvii. Ben: I think choosing them would give an unfair advantage to ING.
- xviii. Chuck: There's two ways we can do this. First, we put it out there that this space is available, let anyone make a proposal, score them, and choose. OR we can look for a certain type of vendor, and only that type can make a proposal.
- xix. Ben: I like the first idea. We don't know who's still interested.
- xx. Miguel: And we might be surprised.
- xxi. Chuck: The cell phone store on campus has become huge. There's a lot of money in it.

xxii. *Miguel leaves, 7:01 p.m.*

#### **B. Branded Coffee Shop**

- i. Chuck: We thought students wanted a brand name coffee in the Student Union instead of Dining Services coffee. We could put it where HuskyPrint was, or we could use the other half of the convenience store, and install a self-service window outside the Student Union.
- ii. Ben: Where is that opinion coming from?
- iii. Chuck: We've done surveys over the last couple years and the students have said that they want brand name coffee.
- iv. Rich: Dining Services coffee isn't terrible though.
- v. Jonathan: Would students be able to use points?
- vi. Chuck: If Dining Services runs it, then yes.
- vii. Ben: Will the company agree to a points system?
- viii. *Jonathan leaves, 7:06 p.m.*
- ix. Ben: Are we talking about an actual coffee shop, or just the coffee?
- x. Chuck: We want the council to decide.
- xi. Jen (Vice Chair): There's a Starbucks down one-way and a Dunkin Donuts the other way.
- xii. Chuck: My impression of students is, where they stand is where they'll do it.
- xiii. Ben: I would hate to see the price increase.
- xiv. Chuck: There's a clause in the leasing process that says they can't charge more here than they do in a local place.
- xv. Ben: Motion to pursue branded coffee.
- xvi. Rich: Second.
- xvii. *Motion passes, unanimous.*

#### **C. Dairy Bar**

- i. Chuck: What should we do with the Dairy Bar?
- ii. Tom (UCTV): I would like to see the café downstairs and coffee shop upstairs rather than a retail store.
- iii. *Jonathan returns, 7:11 p.m.*
- iv. Ben: Motion to pursue Dairy Bar in the Student Union.
- v. Kevin (PIRG): Second.
- vi. *Motion passes, unanimous.*

### **IV. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **A. Game Room Events Policy Charges**

- i. Elizabeth (Chair): The game room was rented out a couple weeks ago. They paid the fee, but then they charged \$2 at the door.
- ii. Chuck: It was rented to a Greek organization. If you were a member of the organization, you didn't have to pay the \$2, but if you were not a member, you had to pay.
- iii. Rich: We made the policy for private parties, so either don't charge the general public or don't let them in.
- iv. Tom: I don't see a problem with it.
- v. Jonathan: I think the spirit of the policy was to not charge.
- vi. Chuck: They had to be on the list to get it.

- vii. Jonathan: The game room is open for free to the public.
- viii. Rich: Motion to reserve game room for closed parties, and not allow the general public to get in.
- ix. Ben: And to disallow anyone who rents the game room to charge at the door.
- x. Parini (SUBOG): Second.
- xi. *Motion passes, Tom opposed.*

**B. Union Restroom Advertising Policy Reminder**

- i. Rich: Are the bathroom signs up?
- ii. Chuck: They are not on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> floors, but they are everywhere else.
- iii. Ben: I noticed that the space for non-SUBOG events is very small.
- iv. Elizabeth: There are size limits on ads in the policy.
- v. Ben: I was just wondering.
- vi. Elizabeth: There is one more two-week slot open for the ads. If you know you're having an event next year, let them know. Sandy has been good with extending the deadlines.
- vii. *Tom leaves, 7:20 p.m.*
- viii. Jonathan: Will they be putting up a new sign on the men's room?
- ix. Chuck: We are down 5 staff members, so it will be done soon. We can't have a unisex bathroom because the code won't allow it. There has to be so many men's and women's bathrooms in the Student Union.
- x. *Tom returns, 7:22 p.m.*

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. UCTV Decorating Space**

- i. Tom: There is an empty wall in the alcove where UCTV is. We want to put up vinyl stickers of UCTV TV head guys in that area, and maybe a display case.
- ii. Jonathan: People might think they are real people, but I think it's a cool idea.
- iii. Tom: They will be life sized.
- iv. Ben: I like it.
- v. Kevin: As long as it doesn't damage the walls I think it's ok. What if someone steals them?
- vi. Chuck: We need to talk to the sign shop about the damage it might cause.
- vii. Ben: If UCTV wants to budget money in to repaint the walls, it should be OK.
- viii. Tom: So when would this be approved?
- ix. Elizabeth: I could get it to Monica tomorrow.
- x. Ben: Motion to approve concept, and let Monica and UCTV figure out the process.
- xi. Kevin: Second.
- xii. *Motion passes, Tom abstains.*

**VI. REPORTS**

**A. Chair**

- i. Elizabeth: We will be having our last meeting. It will be rescheduled for April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in a room to be determined. Parini is the new head for next year, and will run that meeting. Seniors, make sure you find a replacement for your position and bring them to the meeting.

**B. Vice Chair**

**C. Organizations**

- i. Jose (PRLACC): Latin Fest is April 4<sup>th</sup>.
- ii. Ben: Elections are on April 6<sup>th</sup>, and we may have a concert at the Annex in Willimantic.
- iii. Tom: April 23<sup>rd</sup> will be our Spring Weekend special. We will give away a TV and maybe a shopping spree at the convenience store.
- iv. Kevin: Reaffirmation vote is coming up, so vote online.

**D. Advisors/Guests**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

- A. Meeting adjourned, 7:41 p.m.

## ATTENDANCE

<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>ATTENDEE</b>	<b>PRESENT/ABSENT</b>
Chair	Elizabeth Hopkinson	Present
Vice Chair	Jen Warmath	Present
Associate Director of Operations	Chuck Morrell	Present
Secretary	Andrew Lagassé	Present
SUBOG	Miguel Almodovar	Present
USG		Absent
Undergraduate Commuter Student		Absent
Graduate Student Senate		Absent
African American Cultural Center		Absent
Asian American Cultural Center		Absent
Puerto Rican and Latin American Cultural Center	José Cerra	Present
Women's Center		Absent
Rainbow Center		Absent
International Center	Rich Janczewski	Present
Native American Cultural Society		Absent
University Senate		Absent
Alumni		Absent
All Greek Council		Absent
UCTV	Tom Murawski	Present
WHUS	Ben Shaiken	Present
Student Union Manager	Jonathan Bourne	Present
UConnPIRG	Kevin Wilhelm	Present
Nutmeg Yearbook		Absent
Club Sports Council		Absent

## GUESTS

<b>NAME</b>	<b>AFFILIATION</b>
Parini Shah	SUBOG