

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

University of Connecticut
Senate Meeting
September 10, 2025 | 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
BUSN 127

Attendance: Sandip (Pres.), Leo (V.P.), Maham (Treasurer), Noah (Comms.), and Medha (Activities Director).

- 1. Call to Order 9:38 PM
- 2. Executive Committee Reports
 - a. President
 - b. Vice-President
 - c. Treasurer
 - d. Communications Director
 - e. Activities Director
 - f. Parliamentarian
- 3. Old Business
- 4. New Business
 - a. Officer Elections:
 - i. Sandip: Welcomes Medha to the Board as Activities Director.
 - b. Disruption during Senate
 - i. As reported by multiple people in the room during the time of discussion, while the entire E-Board was out of the room during the summer pay motion discussion, a non-Senator graduate student attempted to influence the vote and engaged in filibustering. This individual continued speaking despite multiple objections, was disruptive to the process, and prevented the motion discussion and voting from proceeding to conclusion.
 - ii. Sandip: Recommended that Leo investigate how this individual obtained the online meeting link, which was not public and was sent only to Senators (only in-person was public; the online link was only given to Senators for branch campuses).
 - iii. **Motion:** Only satellite campus Senators may attend online. Non-Senators are not permitted to disrupt a meeting while the Senate is in session, particularly during motion discussion and voting, except during the Issues Forum. Motion by Maham, seconded by Sandip.
 - 1. Motion passes unanimously.
 - iv. **Motion:** Have the VP send a warning of a non-Senator conduct during official Senate meeting for disrupting the meeting and give a first warning. Motion by Maham, seconded by Medha.
 - 1. Motion passes unanimously.
 - c. Office Assistant:
 - Motion: Go into executive session to discuss sensitive employment matters for office assistant. Motion by Sandip, seconded by Medha. -9:43 PM.



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- 1. Motion passes unanimously
- 2. Came out of executive session at 9:48 PM
- ii. **Motion:** Hire Neha Praveen as a 5-hour office assistant at \$20 an hour weekly to help with activities. By Maham, seconded by Leo.
 - 1. Motion passes unanimously.
- 5. Good News
 - a. GSS Y2K Party on September 20, 2025, at 9:00 PM at Kathmandu
- 6. Adjournment 9:50 PM