

Central Connecticut State University
Faculty Senate Student Affairs Committee
Final Report
2022-2023

Members: Kellie Byrd-Danso (ex-officio), Sharon Cox, Stephanie Elissaint (student representative), Pat Foster (chair), Steve Johnson (secretary), Kristine Larsen.

Note: The text of this report borrows liberally from prior reports of the committee (i.e., 2022 report, J. Hansen, and 2021 report, J. Sikorski)

The mission of the Faculty Senate Student Affairs Committee is to “provide a forum through which Student Affairs may consult and inform faculty on student life areas, policy, and procedures”. This past year, our work centered on reviewing the petitions and constitutions of proposed new student clubs and making recommendations for recognition by President Toro.

The committee receives information about proposed new clubs from the Department of Student Activities and Leadership Development after extensive review by that department to confirm that the club does not duplicate the efforts of existing organizations at CCSU, members are full-time students in good standing, paperwork has been completed fully and accurately, and faculty advisement is provided. In particular, Sarah Horrax has done a tremendous quality and quantity of advance labor to make this committee’s work straightforward.

First amendment rights of students are taken into consideration in all committee decisions. Committee members recommend recognition after reviewing the club’s petition and constitution with representatives from the club, and in some cases from the faculty advisor. Minutes to meetings are prepared by the committee secretary and posted in the committee’s dedicated space on Teams.

This year, the Student Affairs Committee met twice during the fall and three times during the spring. The following fourteen clubs were recommended for recognition.

October 10

Table Tennis

November 14

Cannonball (recreational swimming)

Creative Writing

Japanese Language Learning

Munch (snacks)

February 3

Blue Devil Boxing

Dirt Devil BajaSAE (transportation vehicle)

March 10

Brazilian Ju Jitsu

Tabletop Gaming (final acceptance 3/22)

April 28

Bingo

Communications

Line Dancing

Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services

Intersectional Justice

Respectfully submitted by Pat Foster