In Attendance:
Trustee Shari Cantor
Trustee Kevin Braghirol
Trustee Adam Kuegler
Michael Gilbert, Vice President for Student Affairs
Angela Rola, Senate Observer

Others in Attendance:
Victoria Blodgett, Assistant Dean, Graduate School
Daniel Byrd, President, Undergraduate Student Government
Elly Daugherty, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
Cathy Downs, Executive Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs
Donna Korbel, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and Director of Center for Students with Disabilities
Ellen Tripp, Director, Student-Athlete Success Program

Call to Order:
Trustee Cantor called the meeting of the Student Life Committee to order at 5:03 p.m.

Review and Approval of Minutes:
On a motion from Trustee Braghirol, seconded by Trustee Kuegler, the Student Life Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting of December 7, 2016.

Chairwoman’s Report:
Trustee Cantor reported on a class she taught in Hartford on Community and discussed concerns raised by students.

Student Trustees Report:
Student Trustees Braghirol and Kuegler reported on meetings with Hartford Associated Student Government and Waterbury Associated Student Government on topics that included Hartford’s move downtown as well as discussions on Undocumented Students. Both Student Trustees attended the Mental Health Colloquium last week in Hartford and commended Elly Daugherty on the work that went into planning this Colloquium. Student Trustee Elections will take place March 1 and 2.

Report on Undocumented Students: Daniel Byrd and Elly Daugherty discussed the ongoing conversations and meetings with Administrators, Undergraduate Student Government and Undocumented Students. These meetings/discussions began after the student rally held in November to begin immediate steps to work with this group of students about their concerns and questions regarding deportation. The Dean of Students Office continues to work on a protocol for students faced with imminent deportation; the UConn Police Department will not inquire
about individuals’ immigration status during the course of their work, and there is no list of undocumented students available. UConn Law School Alumni have agreed to hold an event on March 28 at the Law School with Undergraduate Student Government and Undocumented Students about their concerns and to offer legal advice to them. Discussions and conversations will continue with these groups.

Not Anymore Campaign:
Donna Korbel reported on this video-based program requiring all undergraduate students who have earned 54 credits by the end of the semester to complete prior to registration for classes. This program is designed to further the conversation students began during orientation regarding rape culture, consent and sexual assault, alcohol, dating and domestic violence, healthy relationship, sexual harassment and stalking. Students are required to earn at least a 75% on the program, in order to remove a registration hold for fall term 2017. A waiver option is offered, if needed.

Student-Athlete Success Program (SASP):
Ellen Tripp presented on the Student-Athlete Success Program (formerly known as Counseling Program for Intercollegiate Athletes) established in 1986 and provides service to 650 student-athletes on 24 varsity teams. The five main components of SASP: Academic Excellence, Career Development, Leadership Opportunities, Personal Development and Community Service. Over 59% of SASP’s student-athletes achieved over a 3.00 semester GPA, fourteen of their teams maintained a semester and cumulative GPA of a 3.00 and 32 of their student-athletes achieved a perfect 4.00 GPA.

Vice President for Student Affairs Report:
Vice President Gilbert reported preparations for Spring Weekend are underway with students and Student Activities for planning and programming.

Other Business:
Angela Rola reported on The Together Project being launched March 1 as part of the UConn Reads Program.

Adjournment:
The meeting of the Student Life Committee ADJOURNED at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully,

Cathy Downs
Executive Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs