



August 3, 2022

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Michael Gilbert, Ph.D. *Michael Gilbert*
Vice President for Student Affairs

RE: Student Life Committee Membership

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees appoint undergraduate students Christopher Bergen and Sydney Collins from August 3, 2022, to June 30, 2023, to the Student Life Committee of the Board of Trustees.

BACKGROUND:

In accordance with Article V.F.3. of the *By-Laws*, upon the recommendation of the Undergraduate Student Government, the board shall appoint two undergraduate students as voting members to the standing committee having cognizance over student life matters.

The Undergraduate Student Government has recommended undergraduate students Christopher Bergen and Sydney Collins for appointment to the Student Life Committee.

Christopher Bergen is a rising senior pursuing a degree in Mechanical Engineering. Residing from Bethel, Connecticut, Christopher is the former Comptroller of the Undergraduate Student Government (2021-2022), where he oversaw the allocation of millions of dollars to campus activities and student organizations and led an effort to decrease funding policies for clubs by 75%.

Sydney Collins is a rising senior pursuing a degree in Environmental Science. Residing from Coventry, Connecticut, Sydney is the Student Services Director with the Undergraduate Student Government where she addresses quality of life concerns for Storrs students. Sydney was previously the Sustainability Advocacy Coordinator where she supported campus programming related to clean energy and transportation, environmental justice, and climate advocacy with a team of volunteers.

These appointments shall be from August 3, 2022, through June 30, 2023.