

UConn Senate Enrollment Committee

September 26, 2024, MS Teams

Minutes

1. Approval of Minutes
 - Minutes of 4/29/2024 Meeting: minutes were approved with two abstentions
 - [Enrollment Committee Meeting Minutes 4-29-24.docx \(sharepoint.com\)](#)
 - Minutes of 8/29/2024 Meeting: minutes were approved unanimously
 - [2024 0829 Enrollment Committee Meeting Minutes.docx \(sharepoint.com\)](#)
2. FAFSA Delays - [The rollout for the updated FAFSA application has been delayed again : NPR](#): Jamie Caruso introduced the topic and Mona Lucas took the floor to share any information she knows about any expected delays. UConn applied to participate in beta testing with the Dept of Education, which we hope to receive which should hopefully mitigate delays for this upcoming year of applicants. As of now, December 1st is the date from the Dept of Education. Carl Rivers added that there is a FAFSA investigation report available which raises specific concerns ([article in higher ed](#) and [NPR article](#) referenced) Questions were raised on whether the delay did negatively impact enrollment in the end, or not. Mona Lucas answered that it didn't, but it had a negative impact on many students who are still waiting on their aid awards, and others who opted for less expensive opportunities rather than taking the risk. Questions were also raised on whether students enrolled part-time rather than full-time due to financial constraints, but there is no data available as of now to show whether this is the case or not). She added that she is happy to provide updates at every Enrollment Committee meeting until this issue is resolved.
3. Retention - First Gen students and marginalized student populations: Jamie Caruso introduced this topic as a follow-up from our last meeting and Mansour Ndiaye recommended that we look at data before moving forward with too much discussion. Mona Lucas added that Tarrayl Starke in the Provost's Office will be managing the work of the Retention & Graduation Committee which focuses on this issue. She added that there are reports available (retention and graduation taskforce reports) for the last several years. Michelle Everard will obtain and share these reports for the committee to review.
 - Finances
 - College experiences
 - Lack of mandatory attendance policy
4. Other

Potential Upcoming Topics:

- Test optional update
- Increased Enrollment – increase course offerings/staffing, student access to classes/resources

- Honors at Regional Campuses
- BPIR Dashboard Review

2024/2025 Enrollment Committee Members

***Jamie Caruso, Chair, Academic Affairs (Waterbury Campus)**

*Miranda Davis, CLAS (*absent*)

*Douglas Kaufman, Neag School of Education

*Carl Rivers, Registrar's Office

*Nat Trumbull, CLAS (Avery Point)

*Xiaojing Wang, CLAS

Nathan Fuerst, Student Life & Enrollment (Ex-Officio) (*absent*)

Vern Granger, Office of Admissions (*absent*)

Mona Lucas, Enrollment Planning and Management

Jennifer Morenus, Puerto Rican Cultural Center (*absent*)

Mansour Ndiaye, CLAS Academic Services