Meeting IV
February 25, 2019

Call to Order

Roll Call- 6:04

Reading and Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve by Speaker as standing
Seconded by

Reading and Approval of the Minutes

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Guest Speaker

a. Director of Radio- Trevor Widger- Presenting a Flagship program for UIC called UIC Morning Spark (10 a.m.-12 p.m.) features music program popular with college students. Will Serve as a promotional program (i.e. place for orgs to talk about things they want). Students should be able to tune in and listen to news concerning UIC. Will have a soft launch this semester and full launch next semester. Goal is increase traffic to UIC Radio. We need collaboration among student organization and push for it to be aired out loud in student spaces (i.e. Pier Room, Inner Circle, the Quad). “The sound track to our campus.”

Representative Koertgen asked about other platforms- Will have soft launch on Spotify. Also have series of playlist called “United On”.

Representative Donners asked about podcast, posting highlights of radio show to social media- It is possible if you cut of the music, but there is a $12-$14 charge

Public Comment- Asiel Mohammed- what is on UIC radio now?- Blues, Current events, talk shows, alternative pop music

Representative Koertgen asked about what times it will be playing in the quad, only 10-12pm- Would like to have the station broadcasted more than that time

Representative Donners- Would be oversaturated if the UIC radio was playing nonstop

Ex Officio Reports

a. Report of the Advisor- Congratulated new members. Applications are live USG positions and Board of Trustees. The only way to ensure new members have a seat is to fill out application and turn it in by Friday.

Representative John Donners- Can anyone fill out the application process? Yes

b. Report of the Student Trustee- John Donners- expressed sorrow form Darius, who could not make it. Student Trustee gave out scholarships at the basketball games (book scholarship and tuition scholarship). Trustee and Jashaun are collaborating to bring the governor to campus, if there is interest please express
Officer Reports

a. **President**- Is excited to see the “Legacy” of USG flourish. Attended UN Global Engagement Summit over the weekend. Thought the conference was “worth while” and said it was a great experience. Interviews for Center for Teaching Excellence Interviews Thursday, Next Tuesday and Next Friday. Will make doodle poll for attendance. New Student Life Center is going to take 15 of us to tour building. Email Jashaun if interested. CSI invited USG to perspective students event, Executive Member and New Member, inquire if interested.

b. **Vice-President**- Will provide more information on disability resource audit and the mental health resource survey is getting closer to goal, if you are running for VP email her to discuss.

c. **Treasurer**- Steve Choi- Welcome to new members. Committee meeting is Wednesday at 5 oclock. Will be making promotional video for next year, if interested, email.

d. **Speaker**- Excited about new members. Ordered new plaques. All contact information is included in the agenda and ask that new members to add their information to the email she sends out after the meeting. Thank you to the members that filled out the committee selection form and if you have questions email Jocelyn. First Social is this Friday, March 1 in the Cardinal Room from 5 to 7. Second Social is March 15, in Ft. Dearborn. Emphasized Percentage System. Please bring laptops to meetings to access agendas on Box

e. **Chief of Staff**- New York Trip, impartiality versus neutrality, prioritizing immediate issues and timeline, continuing to meet with committee directors (energy conference and legacy gala), will also be reviewing the constitution and work on relationship between USG and CSI

f. **Diversity and Inclusion**- Make campus life more inclusive for students, meeting with the commuter resource center (mtg is Wednesday at 3 pm), Open Mic Event (April 11th from 6-8p.m) if anyone is interested or knows a performer invite them, Investment Event- an event where students can learn trades in a few hours, Cynthia Rosales meeting with the election board at 1 pm SSB, cannot come if you are running for a position.

g. **Legislative Affairs**- New meeting time is at 3:30 on Thursday’s and Laquan and Local Election event was a success, there was standing room only

h. **Public Relations**- Going to update the board in SCE outside the office, Meetings are Mondays from 5-6 pm, please dress professionally for next weeks meeting because we will be taking pictures

i. **Student Life**- Meet with Librarian Administrators (will add two microwaves), Committee meetings are 5:15 on Wednesdays

Items for Discussion

a. **Spring 2019 Budget**- Jack will present the budget next week at the meeting, be prepared to discuss

b. **USG Initiatives**-
Representative Parikh – Would love to do something for dining services
Representative El-adawie- Don’t have options for non-pork eaters, only pizza or salad
Representative Zaba - Meet with dining hall director
Representative Kyla - Slating roads and bathrooms
Representative Misty - Increase in more latino and ballet dance groups, spaces for dance groups to perform
Representative Kimi - Inclusivity of International Students and intermingling with them for social events
Representative Jake - Forum with Mayoral Candidates; Spearhead debate on higher ed sponsored by USG
Representative Eric - Metra Pass is important, could reduce cost of attendance
President Bowens - Metra is an all or nothing commitment and other students do not want to bear the cost
Representative Hernandez - Campus housing is very expensive, CMW and CMN/S are all being torn down and they have to choose between new dorms
Chief of Staff Haque - CMN/S is not included because it is being torn down
Representative Dahlya - Cheaper options for housing are decreasing
Representative Parikh - Meal plan is expensive. Wants to exclude the meal plan from housing
Representative Herrera - Columbia doesn't require meal plan but has apartment style
Representative Misty - Can put money on card and swipe, out with meal plan
Representative Hernandez - Won't let people swipe friends in
Representative - Clean the kitchen areas in dorms
Representative Crystal - Have number of swipes per semester and include all on campus restaurants
Representative Jake - Previously able to buy 100 meals for $600 dollars and that option has dramatically increased
Representative Eric - Cannot swipe in friends because Campus Housing Food is not “controlled” by UIC and they do not allow that
Dean Smith - contracts may be up for negotiation (Chartwell - company that oversees meals plans). Invite the people over that to our meetings.
President Bowens - in advocating for initiatives think about the full student body (Campus Housing is limit), Creation of new jobs in contract negotiation, Committee chairs will be able to point you in the right direction
Representative Mayhra - Students like SCE that will grant you after hour access
Representative Crystal - Why not just set in stone the extended hours, perhaps safety is an obstacle
Representative Maya - If you buy a large package of services from a carrier maybe we can lower prices
Representative Donners - Is there the will power (contracts) and the demand (young students on parents plan)
Representative Mohammed - Student Workers have a link with T-mobile, International students set up thanksgiving dinners with families in Chicago
Representative Jake - There is an organization, similar to what you are speaking about on campus that does that type of programming
Rep. Hazizi - There is campus carrier (phone) plan that is not effective
Representative Donners- International Students are most likely to be involved and have a host family/exchange program. Student Organization Thanksgiving Meal “potluck”
Rep Hazizi- Supports programming inclusive of international students with American holidays and cultures
Rep. Zoya- UIC Global is only a first-year program, the programming ends after the first year not providing committee
Representative Ritu- asked to update pictures in new housing
Representative Hernandez- fire in laundry
Representative Crystal- having international and domestic students ignite event combined
Rep. Koertgen- any initiative to help support international students is needed. U of I system has more international students per capita than any other university
Rep. Dahyla- Understands that international students need more options for housing. Thinks that LGBTQIA and toxic masculinity is important to support those communities

Announcements
• Group picture after meeting
• Donners is liaison of Interstudent government meetings: lobby for metra, monthly column (being a student in America),
• Send numbers to Jocelyn

Adjournment- 7:38