University of Illinois at Chicago  
Undergraduate Student Government  
Spring 2019 – March 4th – Meeting V  
Quorum: 42 Voting Members

Advisor: Dean DuJuan Smith

Executive:
Student Trustee: Darius Newsome  
President: Jashaun Bowens  
Vice President: Frederique Desrosiers  
Treasurer: Jack Johannesson  
Chief of Staff: Raza Haque  
Chairs: Alemah Bradley  
Mark Haddad  
Nada Marei  
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I. Call to Order  
II. Roll Call  
III. Reading and Approval of the Minutes  
IV. Reading and Approval of the Agenda  
V. Guest Speaker(s)  
  a. Vice Chancellor – Rex Tolliver  
  b. Claudia de Bruyn  
  c. Kevin Cao

VI. Ex Officio Reports  
  a. Report of the Advisor  
  b. Report of the Student Trustee

VII. Officer Reports  
  a. Report of the President  
  b. Report of the Vice-President  
  c. Report of the Treasurer  
  d. Report of the Speaker  
  e. Report of the Chief of Staff  
  f. Report of the Chairman of Diversity and Inclusion  
  g. Report of the Chairman of Legislative Affairs  
  h. Report of the Chairman of Public Relations  
  i. Report of the Chairman of Student Life

VIII. New Business  
  a. Resolution 2019-S5-603  
  b. Resolution 2019-S5-602  
  c. Resolution 2019-S5-500

IX. Items for Discussion  
  a. Representative Percentage System – Activity Log  
  b. Social (March 15th)

X. Announcements  
  a. Social (March 15th)

XI. Adjournment
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

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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-adawe- 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 bc 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 w wside of 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 resutrants
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 initatives 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 form 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 programing
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**
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**Running Total**: $66,437.79

**Remaining**: $9.80
Resolution 2019-S5-603

USG Budget Spring 2019

The Undergraduate Student Government
Legislative Body
Date: March 4, 2019

Chief Sponsor:
1. Treasurer, John Johannesson

Supporting Sponsor:
1. President, Jashaun Bowens
2. Vice President, Frederique Desrosiers
3. Chairman of Diversity and Inclusion, Mark Haddad
4. Chairman of Legislative Affairs, Aliemah Bradley
5. Chairman of Student Life, Tolu Odueyungbo
6. Steve Choi
7. Mai Anh Tran
8. Mark Anderson-Marion

WHEREAS, The Undergraduate Student Government has achieved a great deal in 2018-2019 including successful sponsorship of other organizations, participation in enlightening events, implementation of infrastructure (skateboard racks), obtaining an apparel sponsorship through our athletic department, introducing over 30 new members and increasing the overall quality and reputation of our organization on campus.

WHEREAS, Asterisks in the budget mean that in the event that those items end up costing less than that amount, that we can reallocate the leftover amount.

WHEREAS, Though The Undergraduate Student Government has done a lot to be proud of, there is still work to be done in order to achieve our goals for this year.

WHEREAS, After carefully analyzing our current financial situation, our Treasury Committee and Executive Board collaborated to make the USG budget for Spring 2019.

WHEREAS, This budget will put USG in the best possible position to accomplish everything we are setting out to do and more this semester.

LET IT BE RESOLVED, That this will be the budget for The Undergraduate Student Government at The University of Illinois at Chicago for Spring 2019.

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President,
Jashaun Bowens

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Speaker of the House,
Jocelyn Bravo

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Resolution 2019-S5-602

Alpha Phi Alpha Regional Convention Toronto

The Undergraduate Student Government
Legislative Body
Date: March 4, 2019

Chief Sponsor:
1. Treasurer, John Johannesson

Supporting Sponsor:
1. Steve Choi
2. Mai Anh Tran
3. Peter Varughese
4. Mark Marion-Anderson

WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha wishes to receive funding from the UIC Undergraduate Student Government in order to alleviate the costs of its student members attending their regional convention in Toronto Canada on April 10th-14th.

WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha regional convention is Alpha Phi Alpha’ premier learning and leadership conference.

WHEREAS, Not only does this enhance the leadership qualities of its student members but The University of Illinois at Chicago benefits from this type of leadership through its promotion of philanthropy, diversity, and uplift of the campus community spirits with civic engagement.

WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha has taken a philanthropic initiative to support Drea Kelly’s domestic violence campaign, sharing the raw and uncut story of her experiences while married to the famed R&B singer R. Kelly. Through this program, Alpha Phi Alpha succeeded in their mission to reduce some of the stigma that surrounds individuals discussing mental and interpersonal health.

WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha has been an active organization not only for its brothers but for the UIC students as well, hosting a multitude of different events professional, social and service based that have been open to all students.

LET IT BE RESOLVED, The Undergraduate Student Government of The University of Illinois at Chicago will fund lodging costs totaling $1,476.36.

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President, Speaker of the House,
Jashaun Bowens Jocelyn Bravo
Resolution 2019-S5-500

100% Renewable Energy

The Undergraduate Student Government
Legislative Body
Date: March 4, 2019

Chief Sponsors:
1. Chairwoman of the Student Life Committee, Tolu Odueyungbo
2. Illinois PIRG (Jackson Nannie and Hadley Tuthill)

Supporting Sponsors
1. President Jashaun Bowens

WHEREAS, Illinois PIRG (Illinois Public Interest Research Group), a non-profit organization is working on getting UIC and the U of I system to commit to using 100% renewable energy by the year 2050.

WHEREAS, UIC has previously committed to becoming a Carbon Neutral campus and although this is good, carbon neutrality still leads to the use of fossil fuels which is damaging to the environment.

WHEREAS, by UIC and the Undergraduate Student Government committing to 100% renewable energy, we would prevent further damage to the environment by 100% by 2050, providing good research opportunities to the university, attracting more students to the campus by focusing on renewable energy, develop new ideas, and propel UIC as an innovative leader in sustainable/renewable energy efforts and fighting against climate change.

WHEREAS, Illinois PIRG plans on working with UIC and the Undergraduate Student Government as support by providing Renewable Energy 101 courses and guides as needed, and getting UIC commitment to 100% renewable energy.

LET IT BE RESOLVED, UIC with the help of Illinois PIRG and the Undergraduate Student Government commit to working on 100% renewable energy by the year 2050.

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President,                                             Speaker of the House,
Jashaun Bowens                                         Jocelyn Bravo