Meeting Minutes
Monday October 12th, 2020

I. Call to Order
6:05pm
II. Roll Call
Student Trustee Bravo is absent
Chief of Staff Oommen is absent
Speaker of the house Stancheva has excused absence
Representative Vilvasigamani is absent
Representative Nneji is absent
Representative Ruiz has excused absence
III. Reading and Approval of the Minutes
Approved
IV. Reading and Approval of the Agenda
Approved
V. Public Comment
No Public Comment
VI. Guest Speakers
No Guest Speakers
VII. Ex Officio Reports
a. Report of the Advisor
-Advisor Parker remembers all members that they must complete the student Academic Eligibility Form
-Advisor Parker thanks Mathew for taking the role of intern speaker and congratulates them on their great job
b. Report of the Student Trustee
Student Trustee is absent
VIII. Officer Reports
a. Report of the President
-Campus Conversation on Public Safety took place on Tuesday, these meeting included Speakers from: Abolition @ UIC, BGSA, BSU, UIC GEO, UIC UF. These was a platform for all to discuss alternatives to policing, the importance of safety resources and logistics to dismantling police with the administration.
-President met with the Office of Govt Relations to discuss future plans for lobbying and student advocacy, they will work with us to collect public comment for the proposed duration of stay changes which will affect international students.
-President worked on a video campaign to retain students in IL, our enrollment numbers this year are larger than last year’s, but our freshman class size has decreased by 16% so it is important to actively recruit new students.
-President met with the Director of the Global Asian Studies Dept to plan for the introduction of an Ethnic Studies Gen Ed, the purpose of this is to focus on anti-racist, anti-sexist, and antixenophobic teachings.
-President encourages all members to Please fill out this survey https://forms.gle/JjRQXuX5P4yhX1oo7. The AANAPISI Grant is expiring this year and this
would cut funding for all of the Asian student resources on campus. The survey will allow for the departments to ensure funding.

-President planned for an Ethnic Studies General Education Requirement with Representative Taylor
- President planned for a Universal Pass system or a return of Cr/NCr with Representative Obire
- President informs the body that our Respondus proposal was sent to the Academic Senate Committees, but is facing a lot of pushback. President will be attending on Wednesday another meeting to advocate for the proposal.

b. Report of the Vice-President
-Vice-President is working on the questions for a preliminary student survey to understand student needs.
- The Mental Health Coalition is expanding and the Vice-president thanks all members interested in joining.
- Vice-president has been contacting the university to inquire for campus care coverage and online therapy services.
- Vice-president reached out to Bonfire to discuss what USG support for their initiative looks like.
- Vice-president is currently brainstorming what an undocumented student resource center would look like.
- Vice-president has had continuing conversations about vending machines for menstrual hygiene products with the secretary.
- Reaching out to UIUC ISG to understand their most recent resolution regarding Human Rights Violations, University Investments and Police Forces.

c. Report of the Treasurer
- Treasurer had his first committee meeting, members went over external organization funding and treasury committee responsibilities.
- The committee has started to reach out to external organizations regarding funding
- The treasurer encourages members to contact the treasury committee if they know of an organization needing funding.
- Application for deputy treasurer is due on Thursday.

d. Report of the Speaker
- Speaker is absent because she has not been feeling well lately.
- Speaker has decided to appoint Matthew as Interim Speaker because of his strong interest.
- Speaker encourages all members to make sure that they all have access to Box, if there are in problems, please reach out to the speaker via email.
- Meeting with representatives should happen late this week and/or early next week.
- Speaker is working on updating the strike policy in the Bylaws.
- Speaker remembers all members to submit your Certification of Academic Eligibility form.

e. Report of the Chief of Staff
- Chief of staff has been working on advocating for international students regarding the new DHS regulation.
- Chief of Staff has been working to collect public comment with graduate students.
f. Report of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee Chair
- Chairwoman has been working on spreading the Flu Vaccine Campaign, will be meeting with pre-health organizations and Sherry for more updates.
- Chairwoman met with GSC to plan for Know Your Rights, will be contacting SJP and BSU to collaborate
- Chairwoman is considering in planning a townhall for students centered on job search during COVID.
- Chairwoman will be meeting with directors from Chicago Alliance Against Sexual Exploitation (CAASE) this Wednesday to plan Know Your Rights - Title IX Regulations.

g. Report of the Legislative Affairs Committee Chair
- Met with the speaker of the House to discuss the strike policies
- Chairwoman informs the body that a campus-wide letter regarding voter registration is processing and will be soon sent to students
- Chairwoman scheduled her first committee meeting for Friday at 6:00pm
- Chairwoman is still working on early voter day events with SLCE/PIRG/SAB
- Chairwoman has been recruiting members for the Mental Health Coalition

h. Report of the Public Relations Committee Chair
- Chairwoman has been uploading some videos to USG’s YouTube Channel
- Sent a “Welcome to PRC!” email to new members, this includes the deputy chair application and the committee description.
- Chairwoman is editing the “Why We Vote” video and has included close captions for accessibility
- Chairwoman met with the Adidas coordinator to discuss the ordering of merchandise
- Chairwoman has been updating the website with new USG member profiles
- Chairwoman worked on Resolution 2020-F1-402, please see the link in the chat to access the updated resolution
- Chairwoman emailed UIC RED about incorporating a calendar on the website and has been contacting the secretary for the logistics of the calendar
- Chairwoman was able to find the twitter log in information in previous PRC documents

i. Report of the Student Affairs Committee Chair
- Chairwoman will be sending a questionnaire to committee members this week, this will include a section for those interested in being a deputy chair.
- Chairwoman will also send a doodle to see everyone’s availability for weekly committee meetings

j. Report of the Campus Life Committee Chair
- Chairwoman sent out the Deputy Chair application, it is due this Thursday at 11:59 pm
- Chairwoman informs the body that her first committee meeting is on Tuesday at 6:15-7:15 pm
- Regarding Care packages, this will include USG merch and a short message from USG, if any member has an idea please contact the chairwoman
- Chairwoman informs the body that the Wellness Center FAQ graphic in the works
Chairwoman is working on potential dates for October events and potential prizes

IX. Old Business
   a. Resolution 2020-F1-402  
      Voted  
      Passed  
   b. Resolution 2020-F4-903  
      Motion to table this resolution  
      Voted  
      Passed  
      Resolution has been tabled

X. New Business
   No New Business

XI. Items for Discussion
   a. Campus-wide Grading Policy Change  
      President has been working on implementing a grading policy change, but administration has not been in favor of this change. President encourages all members interested in this issue to reach out and help us advocate for this change.  
   b. Ethnic Studies General Education Requirement  
      President has been working on including an Ethnic Studies General Education Requirement and the President welcomes ideas and suggestions.  
   c. Certification of Academic Eligibility  
      All members should complete their certification of Academic Eligibility.

XII. Announcements
   No announcements

XIII. Adjournment
   7:53pm