

USG

Fall Meeting 7

10/30/2023

I. Call to Order

- 6:01 PM

II. Roll Call

- Members not present at the time of roll call
 - Ahmad Omar (unexcused)
 - Alexis Mata (unexcused)
 - Anthony Cruz (unexcused)
 - Jacob Maduakolam (unexcused)
 - Jeremy Rivera (unexcused)
 - Jesse Ghoman (unexcused)
 - Marnee Ostoa (unexcused)
 - Michelle Zhou (excused)
 - Mauricio Suarez (excused)
 - Karina Santana (excused)
 - Madaline Lopez (excused)
 - Meghna Dasgupta (excused)

III. Reading and Approval of the Minutes

- Approved

IV. Reading and Approval of the Agenda

- Approved

V. Public Comment

- None, moving on to next order of business

VI. Guest Speakers

- Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services John Coronado (jcoronad@uic.edu), Chief of Police Booker (bookerk5@uic.edu), Executive Director of Facilities Management Clarence Bridges (cbridges@uic.edu), Members of Office of Preparedness: Nicole Sammartino, Katie Norton, and Adriana Solis Martinez (nsamma2@uic.edu, knorto4@uic.edu, asolis2@uic.edu)
 - VC Coronado jcoronad@uic.edu
 - Administrative Services, transportation, and safety services
 - We are here to share about Night Ride and other safety resources on campus
 - Officer Jasmine Mcilvenny jwill77@uic.edu
 - Some safety features around campus include:
 - The Startel system (blue lights with button around campus) in which dispatch can watch the area and police will come to the scene
 - UIC Safe App/Virtual Walking Escorts
 - Walking Escorts
 - Students or police available to walk with you
 - Safe Exchange Zone
 - Exchange of online purchases in a safe space
 - Bike/Scooter/Electronic Registration
 - Can register the device with the police so if stolen, can be returned
 - Active Threat Seminars
 - Active shooter presentation, response from police, steps to take
 - Women's self-defense program coming up

- The satellite office will be next to the barbershop in SCE
- Eric Phillips Director of Transportation ericp@uic.edu
 - 24/7 transportation service
 - Safe and free campus shuttles and transit around campus
 - Intracampus buses, on-demand after-hours transportation (NightRide starts at 10 PM-7 PM 7 days a week all year long), paratransit service, chauffeur services, moving services, rental and repair of university-owned vehicles
 - Access bus routes and times on the TransLoc App
 - NightRide drivers do not leave until you are safe inside your location
 - Intracampus Day Mon-Fri 7am-6pm
 - TBH on East Campus and Harrison and Oakley Building on West Campus
 - Intracampus Evening Mon-Fri 6pm-11 pm
 - Every hour beginning at TBH
 - Intracampus Weekend
 - Semester Express Mon-Fri 7 am-3 PM
 - Only runs during the fall and spring semesters
 - UIC On-Demand transit services
 - Paratransit and Night Ride
 - USG has brought about a change to start at 10 pm instead of 11 pm and they have seen an increase in ridership
 - Any questions can be sent to transportation.uic.edu
 - Nicole Sammartino, Katie Norton, and Adriana Solis Martinez of UIC Ready Team
nsamma2@uic.edu, knorto4@uic.edu, asolis2@uic.edu
 - We oversee clery act compliance and emergency preparedness
 - The website has a portal of threat preparedness and student resources, emergency response guidelines, articles on how to use the SAFE app, and violence prevention and reporting
 - Website: <https://ready.uic.edu/>
 - Questions
 - COS Basta: To get on a UIC shuttle, how do we show we are students?
 - Director Phillips: You will swipe your iCard. For night rides you enter your UIN number into the Transloc app
 - Pres. Almendras: What does your job oversee and what is your day-to-day?
 - VC Coronado: 9 units report to me, I have 1200 employees. I oversee the public safety side and facility side of the campus
 - Chief Booker: I have 200 employees including police officers and security at the hospital (80), dispatchers, public relations, and internal investigation units
 - Director Bridges: I have 700 employees including grounds and mail services
 - Director Phillips: I have 100 employees including drivers, garage, shipping, and receiving
 - Officer Jasmine: I am part of the Community Policing Unit. We oversee East and South campus and community partners to present safety presentations and respond to students on safety. We also follow up with victims and I am a car seat tech so I test to see if they are installed correctly
 - Office of Preparedness

- Nicole: I collect information and figure out how to get that to the masses. I am part of the UIC Violence Prevention Plan which is in place to identify and prevent concerning behaviors that threaten campus (several teams that work on this). I help to create exercises that simulate events of emergencies and work to train employees on how to respond
- Adriana: I translate the complex language of policies and procedures into common terms so that everyone can understand
- Katie: I am the Emergency Management Specialist with the Office of Preparedness and Response. I also assist with exercises and working with other departments. I create emergency operation plans of how to respond and recover from emergencies
- Rep. Rothenbaum: Have you ever collaborated (UIC Police and Office of Preparedness)?
 - Chief Booker: Yes, daily. We collectively work together with a lot of facets to keep people safe. It is always changing and it is a must
- COS Basta: What can USG do at the student level to help you?
 - VC Coronado: Spread the word. Safety is a personal responsibility and this team tries our best to keep you all safe but everyone needs to be aware of and use these safety tools and resources. Do not be afraid to interact and engage with law enforcement officers
 - Chief Booker: I like to get feedback from the student body on what you need. Things are always changing and we want you to be safe. We would like to conduct surveys to find out common themes. We are a safe campus but if a person does not feel safe, we want to know what we can do to make them feel safe. Our goal is to make sure everyone feels safe and welcome at UIC
 - Nicole: Share our Instagram posts. We post safety resources in a visually appealing way. Ready.uic.edu is a huge resource for students so spreading that to students is important and that we are available to present our resources on a certain topic
 - Adriana: Spread the word about the UIC SAFE app. If we do not use it, we do not know what improvements we need to make. Use it so we can have feedback
- Dir. Alramahi: We want to use our social media to let students know about these safety resources like the SAFE app
 - Nicole: We have a social media toolkit of resources on the flyers with the items on the table so you can check that out

VII. Old Business

- Resolution 2023-F6-1003 USG Coffee, Cocoa, Cookies, and Careers Event
 - Favored, passed
- Resolution 2023-F6-3003 Support of Creating and Adopting Open Educational Resources
 - Favored, passed

VIII. New Business

- Resolution 2023-F7-1004 USG's Week of Giving
- Resolution 2023-F7-5003 Room Reservation Funding Allocation
 - COS Basta: As we know it is challenging to get a room reservation in SCE and we do not want that to hinder planning events. This resolution will allow you to book a room before a resolution is passed which will be easier for everyone

IX. Items for Discussion

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- None, next order of business

X. Ex Officio Reports

a. Report of the Advisor

i. Community standards

1. The Restorative Justice Task Force consists of faculty, grad students, and staff

- This is a framework that began with the criminal justice system and Critical Race Theory. It is based on reconciliation and how we do that in our communities. UIC is a very diverse school and part of how we think about community standards is how we can be accountable without harming these spaces. We need undergraduate representatives on this task force so I will send that to the board hopefully some of you want to join

b. Report of the Student Trustee

I. No report

XI. Officer Reports

a. Report of the President

- 2-5 PM Tuesday we will have another library study hang out
- Attended the Shared Governance Meeting hosted by Student Trustee Haq- big takeaway is that we will increase our collaborations in the future
- Vice President Fernandes and I met with Provost Colley to discuss several initiatives
- Co-emceed the UIC Faculty Awards Ceremony & Reception with Vice President Fernandes and Student Trustee Haq- congratulations to all our amazing faculty!
- I have been meeting with student groups and leaders on campus to share USG updates and calls to action. Most students agree with increasing fees if it means better support and facilities. Student org support and increased outlet access are the biggest issues that I have gathered from students
- View full report for details
- Report filled

b. Report of the Vice-President (Read by COS Basta)

- Met with Provost Colley last Tuesday
- President Matthew, Student Trustee Mohammed, and I attended and participated in the Faculty Awards Ceremony & Reception last Wednesday
- USG Commissioner interviews are beginning and will be decided by 11/6
- Reminder: Friday, November 10th - UIC Homecoming – 5 pm to 7 pm
- Attended the E-Board meeting last Friday
- Continued dialogue with Dr. Raphael on how the Okanagan Charter can be used to promote the wellness of students at UIC
- View full report for details
- Report filled

c. Report of the Treasurer

- Met with Chief of Staff Quinn
- Held my committee meeting on Wednesday
- Planned the menu for the “Connecting Students Leader Event”
- Met with Director Tejal and discussed the incentive prize for the USG Food Drive
- Me with Director Zaina and Web Administrator Mauricio
- Budget remainder: \$122, 448.52

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- vii. View full report for details
- viii. Report filled

- d. Report of the Speaker
 - i. Continuing to meet with Representatives individually
 - ii. USG Halloween Social Tuesday, Oct. 31st, 4-6 pm, meet in Inner Circle
 - iii. USG Fall Semester Social Monday, 11/27 6-8 pm (our usual GBM time)—mark your calendars!
 - iv. Worked with COS Quinn and Treasurer Matoy on room reservation resolution
 - v. Worked with Interim Speaker Manasvi to prepare her for making the agenda/packet and leading GBM 7
 - vi. View full report for details
 - vii. Report filled

- e. Report of the Chief of Staff
 - i. Held check-in with Director of Public Affairs Zaina
 - ii. Held check-in with Director of Legislative Affairs Aparna
 - iii. Held check-in with Director of Student Success Asa
 - iv. Held check-in with Director of Diversity and Inclusion Dilay
 - v. Held check-in with Treasurer Matthew Caballes
 - vi. Worked with Treasurer Matthew Caballes and Speaker of the House Michelle to create a resolution for funding for room reservations
 - vii. Held weekly Executive Board meeting
 - viii. View full report for details
 - ix. Report filled

- f. Report of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee Chair
 - i. Attended the Women's Leadership and Resource Center's "How to Make a Brave Space: When Survivors Take the Mic" event with Nikki Patin, and was able to discuss with Nikki Patin, Director Bennett, and Director Maginot individually
 - ii. Met with the Trustee Haq about cultural groups at UIC and protecting minority rights
 - iii. Worked with the deputy chair for the Cultural Center's events and important cultural days
 - iv. Having Diversity and Inclusion meetings on Monday and Friday, thanks to DIC members for the great contribution
 - v. Worked with Representative Sajal, Representative Jordan, and Representative Sedje to research on Diversity and Cultural Organizations at UIC
 - vi. Preparation and packaging for the Halloween giveaway
 - vii. Check-in with the Chief of Staff Basta for the Diversity and Inclusion Committee
 - viii. Attended the E-Board Meeting on 27 October, Friday
 - ix. Will keep communicating with Cultural Centers!
 - x. View full report for details
 - xi. Report filled

- g. Report of the Legislative Affairs Committee Chair
 - i. Met with Nick Hart and hashed out details for the RSOs and FSLs civic engagement campaign
 - ii. Had 4th LAC Meeting
 - iii. Had the Chief of Staff check in
 - iv. View full report for details
 - v. Report filled

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- h. Report of the Public Affairs Committee Chair
 - i. Merch designs are finalized! Please complete the Google form I sent out this morning to receive your merch. The form will be due by Wednesday, November 1st at 11:59 pm
 - ii. If you are a graduating senior and are graduating this semester or next semester, please fill out the Google form I attached with the merchandise email I sent out this morning. We want to start ordering cords and stoles ASAP
 - iii. I met with Web Administrator Mauricio
 - iv. I met with Chief of Staff Quinn and Web Administrator Mauricio
 - v. I met with Treasurer Matoy and Web Administrator Mauricio
 - vi. In communication with VP Michael and Graphic Designer Emma regarding the tailgate competition and designing the graphic. Thank you so much for your hard work Emma, the graphic looks great!
 - vii. PAC started working on the USG November newsletter which will be released Nov 1st.
 - viii. Attended the weekly e-board meeting
 - ix. View full report for details
 - x. Report filled
- i. Report of the Student Success Committee Chair
 - i. Last Tuesday, I met with Executive Director Jean Riordan of Career Services to discuss how USG can collaborate with her department
 - ii. Last Thursday, I attended the UIC Senate General Meeting
 - iii. View full report for details
 - iv. Report filled
- j. Report of the Campus Life Committee Chair
 - i. I met with President Matthew Almendras and the student connecting units to hear about the different department perspectives on the rise in tuition and the need for funding.
 - ii. Met with Treasurer Matthew Caballes to talk about the food drive incentive
 - iii. The Connecting Student Leader Event will be held on November 9, 2023, from 6 to 8 p.m. Kindly note that all organization leaders are on a first-come, first-served basis.
 - iv. Director Zaina and I have been communicating on the flyers for the food drive and Connecting Student Leader event.
 - v. I attended the USG executive board meeting on 27 October 2023.
 - vi. Had a Campus Life Committee meeting with the Representatives Diya, Abdulmajid, Ashley, and Isaiah.
 - vii. View full report for details
 - viii. Report filled

XII. Announcements

- Rep. Thumu: We will have a USG Halloween Tabling event on Halloween from 2-4 PM and a USG social from 4-6 PM in Inner Circle. Additionally, SAB has a Glow in the Dark Skating event from 6-8 PM on Halloween

XIII. Adjournment

- Motioned, seconded, accepted
 - Adjourned at 7:13 PM