10/21/2024



I. Call to Order

• 6:01 pm

II. Roll Call

- Members not present at the time of roll call
 - Representative Jacob Maduakolam (excused)
 - o Representative Anvi Shevade (excused)
 - o Representative Olamigi Fabamigbe (excused)
 - Representative Ohik Kwon (excused)
 - o Representative Aaliyah Cruz (unexcused)
 - Representative Kenvi Chaudhari (unexcused)

III. Reading and Approval of the Minutes

- Motion to amend minutes to the agenda
 - Motioned, Seconded, Approved
- Approved

IV. Reading and Approval of the Agenda

- Motion to amend one of the Bill 2024-F6 1006 to Bill-F6-1008
 - Motioned, Seconded, Approved
- Motion to add Bill 2024-F6-5006 to the agenda
 - Motioned, Seconded, Approved
- Motion to table item of discussion-Representative point system
 - Motioned, Seconded, Approved
- Approved

V. Public Comment

None

VI. Guest speaker

- Michael Ginsburg Interim Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs
 - Michael Ginsburg, the Interim Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, began his
 discussion by addressing the ongoing Campus Climate Survey, which currently
 has a participation rate of 4.2%. He emphasized the importance of completing it
 and encouraged everyone to spread the word to increase student involvement.
 - Ginsburg then provided an overview of the Student Affairs reorganization, mentioning that certain responsibilities, such as dining services and student success and belonging, are set to be moved back under the provost's oversight. He emphasized that the reorganization aims to align services more effectively with student needs.
 - Mental health was highlighted as a primary concern, with Ginsburg noting that
 the university has eliminated wait times for counseling sessions by hiring five
 additional staff members. Further, he shared that faculty have been receiving



- mental health training through dedicated emails and sessions organized in partnership with the faculty.
- He briefly covered campus facility updates, including the recent reopening of a café in the library, similar to the one on the UH lawn. Additionally, a bowling alley is set to reopen on October 31, although it won't be free for students.
- Addressing student needs, Ginsburg mentioned new initiatives aimed at emergency housing and food resources. UIC is exploring grant options to fund these services and has partnered with Dion's, a company providing lockers with daily fruit available to students, which they may expand if successful.
- Ginsburg mentioned several engagement initiatives, such as providing tickets for various Chicago events and boosting attendance at UIC athletic events beyond soccer to include basketball games. He also noted an effort to build alumni connections through career services and enhance campus recreation with arcade games (a permanent location is under consideration). Campus lighting improvements have been a long-term goal, and he is working with administration to address this need.
- Looking to future projects, Ginsburg discussed ongoing bids for a digital i-card system, plans for creating more study spaces on campus (including a restructuring of SCE), and reinstating a UIC discount program. Although he'd like to introduce commuter sleeping areas, he explained that it's still in the preliminary stages.
- On financial matters, Ginsburg noted that while there are no plans for tuition or student fee increases—beneficial for students and Illinois families—this lack of funding limits the university's ability to raise faculty salaries or increase student job opportunities. He mentioned the role of the Student Fee Advisory Committee in these discussions.
- Ouring the Q&A, Ginsburg responded to student concerns. Almendras asked about lighting improvements, which Ginsburg confirmed would include repairing existing flickering lights. Dream inquired about the timeline for commuter sleeping areas, which Ginsburg clarified are still in the planning phase. When Dilay asked about his proudest achievement, Ginsburg cited the acquisition and consolidation of services into the SSB building, a significant improvement over the previous setup where services were scattered across campus.

VI. Old business

- a. Bill 2024-F5-1004
 - <u>Representative Jummah</u>- How do we determine the most prepared student organization for the event?
 How many people each organization attracts, level of advertising, and overall excitement generated.
 - <u>Vice President Heybeli</u>- Will be opening a judging committee to volunteers who
 may be interested in voting on the best organization. If anyone is interested in
 serving as a judge, they can volunteer.
 - Approved



- b. Bill 2024-F5-3001
 - Motion to add two 'Let it be resolved...' clause to the Bill 2024-F5-3001
 - Motioned, Seconded, Approved
 - Approved
- c. Bill 2024-F5-3002
 - Approved
- d. Bill 2024-F5-5003
 - <u>Representative Devi Kannan</u>- Will there be a price for bowling alley and if so how much?
 - <u>Representative Rothenbaum</u>- We can post about the event on Instagram and Snapchat. Response: A flyer is being made for social media.
 - <u>Representative Devi Kannan</u>- We can also create a TikTok or similar content about the bowling alley to generate interest.
 - <u>Representative Patel</u>: We can also email clubs individually to encourage them to attend the event.
 - <u>Vice President Heybeli</u>- Members from PAC will handle some of the social media promotion. You can help if you want to. You all can also invite the organizations you're involved with and spread the word to everyone you see.
 - Approved

VII. New business

- a. Bill 2024-F6-1005
 - Motion to change the first reading to Oct 21st
 - Motioned, seconded, approved
 - Voted, approved
 - Motion to make this bill an executive order
 - Approved
- b. Bill 2024-F6-1006
 - Bill will be voted on October 28th. 2024
- c. Bill 2024-F6-1007
 - Motion to correct Housseynatou Diallo's name
 - Motioned, seconded, approved
 - Bill will be voted on October 28th, 2024
- d. Bill 2024-F6-1008
 - Bill will be voted on October 28th, 2024
- e. Bill 2024-F6-3003
 - Bill will be voted on October 28th, 2024



f. Bill 2024-F6-5004

- <u>Representative Almendras</u>- Expressed excitement and asked if the venue will have extended hours during final exams.
 - Chairperson Thokkudubiyyapu-Yes, it will be open 24 hours.
- Which dogs would be present and if there would be more than one? There is gonna be voting on UIC library instagram story to choose which dog the students want
- <u>Representative Nina Fonseca</u>- Can we bring our own dogs?
 <u>Chairperson Thokkudubiyyapu</u>- While additional dogs are welcome, this event will mainly feature Kenzo, as he enjoys being the center of attention and draws people to attend.
- g. Bill 2024-F6-5005
 - Bill will be voted on October 28th, 2024
- h. Bill 2024-f6-5006
 - Motion to move this Bill to the executive order
 - Motioned, seconded, approved

VIII. Ex Officio Reports

- a. Report of the Advisor
 - A little more on USG gala, this price includes free DJ, cruise price and food.
 - Tomorrow will be sending out the EPC forms
 - Raul fernandez will be asked to come as a guest speaker at the end of this month or the first week of next month
 - Filed
- b. Report of the Student Trustee
 - None

IX. Item For Discussion

- a. Representative Points System
 - Tabled

IX. Officer Reports

- a. Report of the President
 - Filed
 - Representative Almendras- Is there a flyer for the AI event?



<u>President Asad</u>- Its just been emailed to you, from UIC official email. I am sure you can find it in your emails

- b. Report of the Vice-President
 - Filed
- c. Report of the Treasurer
 - Filed
- d. Report of the Speaker
 - Filed
- e. Report of the Chief of Staff
 - <u>Representative Koleva</u>- Could you talk more about meal donation program?
 <u>Chief of staff Progri</u> So students who don't use all the swipes gets wasted, instead of wasting the swipes, at the end of the year we donate it to the students who need it, this initiative was started last year by our former president Almendras.
 - Filed
- f. Report of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee Chair
 - Filed
- g. Report of the Legislative Affairs Committee Chair
 - Filed
- h. Report of the Public Affairs Committee Chair
 - Filed
- i. Report of the Student Success Committee Chair
 - Filed
- j. Report of the Campus Life Committee Chair
 - Filed



X. Announcements

- Please complete the climate survey tonight, as it was requested by our guest speaker-Michael Ginsburg
- Incentive if attending the UIC tailgate and go to the homecoming basketball game offers
 a chance to enter a raffle for two tickets to the Don Tolliver concert at Credit Union
 Arena. Encouraged attendance for both the tailgate and game.
- There is a healthcare job fair happening on Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. in the Illinois Room, if anyone is interested
- <u>Representative Almendras</u>- Is there a specific outfit, we need to wear for Flame Fest? <u>Vice President Hevbeli-</u> No, there is no specific outfit requirement
- Clarification that UIC students are entered into the raffle for the concert tickets, but non-students can accompany them without restriction.

XI. Adjournment

- Motioned, seconded, accepted
 - Adjourned at 7:50pm