In Person Meeting 6:00 PM



University of Illinois at Chicago

Undergraduate Student Government

Spring 2025 – March 17 – Meeting 8

Voting Members: 28

Quorum: 14

Ex Officio:

Advisor:

Carlos Mata

Raul Fernandez

Student Trustee:

Quinn Basta

Executive:

President: Asa Asad
Vice-President: Dilay Heybeli
Treasurer: Michael Klimek
Chief of Staff: Tereza Progri

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Nathan Thokkudubiyyapu

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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. Public Comment
- VI. Old Business
 - a. Bill 2025-S7-1018
- VII. Ex Officio Reports
 - a. Report of the Advisor
 - b. Report of the Student Trustee
- VIII. 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 Diversity and Inclusion Committee Chair
- g. Report of the Legislative Affairs Committee Chair
- h. Report of the Public Affairs Committee Chair
- i. Report of the Student Success Committee Chair
- . Report of the Campus Life Committee Chair
- IX. Announcements
- X. Adjournment



BILL 2025-S7-1018

UIC Safe App Tabling

The Undergraduate Student Government Legislative Body First Reading: March, 10, 2025 Second Reading/Voting: March, 17, 2025

Chief Sponsor(s): Campus Safety Commissioner Jiya Patel, Representative Spencer Basta, Campus Life Director Pranav Nair, President Haider "Asa" Asad

Co-Sponsor(s): Chief of Staff Tereza Progri, Vice President Dilay Heybeli

WHEREAS, campus safety is a highly pressing issue faced on the UIC campus due to our location in downtown Chicago and

WHEREAS, the Office of Preparedness and Response at UIC has implemented multiple safety tools like the UIC Safe App and measures to help the student body feel more comfortable and safe across campus; and

WHEREAS, many students remain unaware of the benefits of these tools and the many features of the UIC Safe App;

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the USG Campus Safety Commission will host a tabling event later this spring semester, along with representatives from the Office of Preparedness and Response, to further educate the campus community on the UIC Safe App and its many features.

President,	Speaker of the House,
Haider "Asa" Asad	Manasvi Thumu



President's Report Haider "Asa" Asad Spring Meeting #8 3/17/25

- ➤ Happy Week 10!
- ➤ Weekly Recap
 - Was invited by the student group SPEN to attend one of their events last Monday
 - Met Dean Chval to learn about challenges that students in the College of Education face and how we can support that.
 - Peer mentorship may be introduced here!
 - Met the second finalist for the VCSA role.
 - Attended the ERC meeting with Director Trish Georgiou
 - Met with Director of Strategic Initiatives Mary Ellen Borchers, Executive Associate Vice Provost for Student Success and Belonging Aisha El-Amin, and Executive Director James Joseph Lynn of the Office of High School Development to discuss Peer Mentorship initiatives on campus and what we can be doing to ensure all students have the opportunity to network with upperclassmen and lean on them as a resource.
 - Celebrating the announcement of the Prepare for Illinois' Future Powered by Kaplan's All Access License program!
 - Monetary number update

> Future Meetings

- Meeting with Donald Wink alongside Representative Jason Whitehair and Director Nathan Thokkudubiyyapu on Thursday to discuss possible research foundation bootcamps
- Meeting with Chief Booker alongside Director Nair and Campus Safety
 Commissioner Patel on Thursday



VP Report
Dilay Heybeli
Spring Meeting 8
March 17, 2025

Happy GBM 8 everyone!

- ➤ Working on the USG Spirit Month;
 - o Helping and meeting Directors, collaborating with Executive Team
 - Strategize promotion and student engagement
 - Student organization outreach
- ➤ Working on reserve fund allocations;
 - o Arcade Room Project
 - Potential new ideas and their execution planning, will meet with Treasurer Michael
- ➤ Conducting research and exploring strategies for alumni engagement to enhance student support networks.

➤ If you have any questions, would like to meet or have ideas, please contact me: dheybe2@uic.edu!



Treasurer Report
Michael Klimek
Spring Meeting 8
3/17/25

- ➤ Happy St. Patrick's Day!
- ➤ Catering:
 - o Pulled BBQ Chicken
 - o Carolina Pulled Pork
 - Vegetarian Baked Beans
 - Carolina Slaw
 - Vegetarian Tofu
 - o Farmhouse Potato Salad
 - Caesar Side Salad
 - Assorted Cookies

➤ Updates:

- Continued planning out USG events to the semester end and adjusting payments where needed.
- o Began reserve fund planning.
- o Created and submitted USG event RFFs.
- Ordered GBM catering.
- Worked with Sodexo catering on Food Truck Day availability.
 - Quote for \$2,000 saving us \$2,000 from our original estimates.
- In order to save funding for other events and limit food waste, catering will be lighter from now on.
- ➤ If you have any questions or want to be involved in something, email me at mklim7@uic.edu!

Speaker of the House Manasvi Thumu Spring Meeting 8

3/17/25

- ➤ Updates
 - o No Updates for This Week
- > Future Plans + Information
 - Working with Interim Speaker Sajal to plan second semester social
 - o Will work to update the representative points for this semester so far
 - o Continuing to upload documents to the Box Folder
- ➤ If you have any questions, email me at mthum2@uic.edu



Chief of Staff Report
Tereza Progri
GBM #8
3/17/25

- ➤ Happy GBM #8! A week away from Spring Break!
- ➤ Last week's Check-ins:
 - o LAC Director Georgiou
 - o DIC Director Sami
 - Treasurer Klimek
- ➤ This week's Check-ins:
 - o CLC Director Nair
 - o SSC Director Thokkudubiyyapu
 - o PAC Director Huang
 - o COS Deputy Safa
- > Submitted request to book the room for our Mental Health Town Hall, still waiting on UIC alum in the General Assembly to join us!
- ➤ If you have any questions, please email me tprog2@uic.edu.



Director of Inclusion and Diversity Report
Abdullah Abdul Sami
Spring Meeting #8
03/18/2025

- ➤ Wishing everyone a Happy 8th Spring GBM!
- > Currently working on planning and logistics for the upcoming Cultural Fest.
- Scheduled a meeting with Director Pranav and Treasurer Michael to finalize allocations for the event.
- ➤ Had my bi-weekly check-in with Chief of Staff Tereza to discuss progress and upcoming initiatives.
- ➤ Maya had a productive meeting with the Wellness Center.
- ➤ If you have any questions or would like to get involved, feel free to reach out at aabdul41@uic.edu.



Director of Legislative Affairs Report

Trish Georgiou

Spring Meeting #8

3/17/2025

- ➤ Happy GBM 8!
- ➤ Meeting Update
 - Weekly LAC meeting
 - o Met with Chief of Staff Progri for bi-weekly meeting
 - Planning Tailgate with Treasurer Klimek
 - o Met with the ERC with President Asad on Wednesday, March 12
 - Discussed current federal higher education funding threats
 - Discussed mental health grant funding and crisis counseling
 - Discussed potential city council lobby day and connection event

➤ Updates:

- Student Success University Initiatives Analysis
- Women's History Social Media Legal Education Last Week
- Local Election Pamphlets and Tabling
- ➤ Working LAC ideas:
 - Working on a letter writing campaign effort
- ➤ If you have any questions or want to be involved in something, email me at **pgeor2@uic.edu**



Director of Public Affairs Report
Ashley Huang
Spring Meeting 8
3/17/2025

- ➤ Happy GBM 8!
- ➤ Past week
 - Worked with Graphic Designer Stephanie to make posts for Nutrition and Hydration Week, Office or Preparedness and Response Intro
 - Advertised the Public Health Initiatives Focus Group
 - Planning the bowling alley PAC event
 - Updating the USG presentation for English classes
 - o Merch is ordered!!

> Announcements

- Next tabling will be April 1st at 12pm to promote the baseball tailgate with food trucks
- USG Google Calendar:
 https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0?cid=Y19hNzI0ZWU5N2VIOWMwYzE
 xNTJhNWQ4NjRkYjYxZDVjMDU1YTBjZTg4NTI3MWNjYWUzYjFIYWE4Y
 zhiYmFkZDA1QGdyb3VwLmNhbGVuZGFyLmdvb2dsZS5jb20
- ➤ If you have any questions, email me at <u>ahuan5@uic.edu!</u>



Director of Student Success Report
Nathan Thokkudubiyyapu
Spring Meeting 8
03/17/25

- ➤ Happy GBM 8!
- > Career Leadership Council Student Advisory Board
 - We met on Wednesday, March 12th, 2025.
 - We discussed the following:
 - Three Focuses
 - Career Exploration
 - Career Readiness
 - Employer Connections
 - Discussions thus far:
 - Engagement Strategies: Suggestions included collaborating with student organizations, using newsletters, emails, Instagram, and in-class announcements. There was a strong emphasis on utilizing social media more effectively and making existing platforms more visible.
 - Honors Seminar Concerns: Students receive a lot of information in a short time but often don't retain it.
 - Measuring Impact: Providing tangible results, such as statistics on job placements and recruiter engagement, would encourage student participation.
 - Event Promotion: Ideas included banners at major events like Homecoming and Spark, leveraging Gen Ed and intro classes for announcements, and distributing career services materials in high-traffic areas.
 - Transfer Student Inclusion: A focus on ensuring Intercollege Transfer (ICT) students receive relevant career guidance, particularly in colleges like CUPPA, where career paths differ.
- ➤ OER Subcommittee
 - We're still waiting on getting the campus announcement approved.
- ➤ Campus Wi-Fi Issues



 I'm in communications with Jason Maslanka, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Innovation and Chief Technology Office, regarding campus Wi-Fi and connectivity issues.

➤ Mental Health Town Hall

- \circ The date is 4/16/25.
- I reached out to Mick Crumbock, Director of Government Relations and Advocacy, in order to invite representatives from the Illinois General Assembly for the town hall.

> Previous Meetings

 Representative Belhandouz and I met with Dr. Danielle Liubicich, Director of MSLC, to discuss how USG can support the MSLC and learn more regarding this center.

> Future Meetings

- o Research Laboratory Fundamentals Bootcamp Representative Whitehair
 - Dr. Donald Wink, Professor of Chemistry 3/20/25
- o Carlos Mata, USG Advisor 3/20/25
- ➤ If you have any questions, want to be involved in something, or meet with me, email me at nthok2@uic.edu.



Director of Campus Life Report
Pranav Nair
Spring Meeting #8
03/17/25

Happy Eighth Spring GBM everyone!

- ➤ Initiative Updates
 - Worked on Cultural Festival logistics
 - Making RSVP Form
 - Sending invitations to student organizations
 - o Continued planning Campus Safety Townhall
- ➤ Meeting Updates
 - o Meeting with Office of Preparedness and Response on Wednesday, 3/19
 - o Meeting with UIC PD on Thursday, 3/20
- ➤ If you have any questions or want to be involved in something, email me at pnair24@uic.edu.

Campus Safety Commissioner Report

Jiya Patel

Spring Meeting #8

03/17/25

➤ Initiative Updates

- Working on solidifying a date and time for UIC Safe Tabling Event
- Planning the Campus Safety Townhall
- Working with the WRLC to host possible panels
- ➤ Updates on Committee Activities
 - Had a meeting with the WRLC and talked about a panel event or possible collab
 with USG in regards to a Ruth George Campus Safety Tabling Event
 - Future Meeting with Chief Booker regarding Campus Safety Town Hall
 - Group-Me Link is made so please join if you would like to stay updated or share any ideas! Even if you can't make the meetings but would like to be involved in the commission, the Group-Me is a great way to do that!
 - Link: https://groupme.com/join/group/106319209/bTLjEjG8
- ➤ If you have any questions or want to be involved in something, email me at jpate314@uic.edu.