Student Services Building
Meeting Room BC

University of Illinois at Chicago
Undergraduate Student Government
Fall 2018 – October 29th – Meeting V
Quorum: 32 Voting Members

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Heather Cohen

Executive:
Student Trustee: Darius Newsome
President: Jashaun Bowens
Vice-President: Frederique Desrosiers
Treasurer: Jack Johannesson
Chief of Staff: Razaui Haque
Chairs:
Aliemah Bradley
Mark Hadad
Nada Marei
Tolu Odueyungbo

Legislative:
Speaker: Jocelyn Bravo
Secretary: Taylor Holmes
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Daisy Stancheva
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Diana Bosak
Jessica Gosong

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Melissa Murtidjaja
John Donners
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Luke Haddad
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Mark Anderson-Marion
Steve Choi
Marian Udoetuk
Tegha Okire
Mechiya Jamison
Temi Akande

I. Call to Order
II. Roll Call
III. Reading and Approval of the Minutes
IV. Reading and Approval of the Agenda
V. Ex Officio Reports
   a. Report of the Advisor
   b. Report of the Student Trustee
VI. Officer Reports
   a. Report of the President
   b. Report of the Vice-President
   c. Report of the Treasurer
   d. Report of the Chief of Staff
   e. Report of the Speaker
   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
VII. Funding
   a. Midwest African Student Organization
VIII. New Business
   a. Resolution 2018-F6-600
IX. Items for Discussion
   a. Town Hall
X. Announcements
XI. Adjournment
Meeting IV
October 22, 2018

Call to Order at 6:10

Roll Call

Reading and Approval of the Minutes
Motion to approve Mark Haddad
Second by Jack Johanneson

Reading and Approval of the Agenda
Treasurer moved to add Gospel Choir and Speaker to Guest Speaker
Speaker moved to call nominations - confirmations
Motion to approve by Bradley
Second by Jack Johanneson

Ex Officio Reports
A. Report of the Advisor- Introduced Heather Cohan as the co-advisor to the Student Government.
B. Report of the Student Trustee-

Officer Reports
A. Report of the President- Jashaun Bowens- Noted that he took the time to note who would be the best leader for chair and cabinet positions and will present today in nomination period. He and Vice President visited Arizona State University to tour the buildings and think of possible solutions for UIC
B. Report of the Vice President- Frederique Derosiers- Reiterated the trip the AZU and brainstorming ideas. She wants everyone to know that she serves as a liaison between the student body and administration.
C. Report of the Treasurer- Jack Johannesson- Meet with two groups this week that are here to speak. Garza event will be tabled. First treasurer meeting will be Wednesday at 5 p.m.
D. Report of the Chief of Staff
E. Report of the Speaker- Jocelyn Bravo- Completed committee form and it will be sent out today. Please remember that academic forms will be sent next week. And the form will be in email sent tonight. New member social will be in November on a Friday from 5-8 p.m. at UIC

Murtidjaja- class ends at 8 will she still be able to make it
Speaker- Yes, just fill out form if you are not coming
Bradley- How are office hours work

Speaker- if you come to office please sign in, online form is to note when E-board members are in office

F. Report of the Chairman of Diversity and Inclusion
G. Report of the Chairman of Legislative Affairs- Aliemah Bradley- no report
H. Report of the Chairman of Public Relations- Nada Marei- Meet with committee and talked about social media and possible apparel. Please note which design/sweatshirt you like. Bruna will take pictures for Instagram. If members take pictures add to slack. USG logo will be used for all promo items.
I. Report of the Chairman of Student Life

Guest Speakers

A. Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs - Nancy Freitag - Everyone has the ability to access course evaluations. The idea of Faculty evaluations to be used as tool when deciding on courses - student idea and student driven. Should not be used by itself, minority and women faculty statistically score lower than other faculty. Any courses that have more than 10 evaluations are included excluding college of medicine or college of dentistry. Open to suggestions - please reach out

Speaker – will this be sent in a link/email to students at end of semester

Freitag- Sure

Cohan - Send to advisors

Stancheva - Possibly send to student in winter break, after finals week, to increase traffic

Donners - Do you plan on adding comments

Freitag - We receive data for after finals, so previous data and reviews will be available.

B. Unity Gospel Choir - Karen Johnson is the president and brought members. They seek to "spread the love of God through song". Have been active for 15 years. They increased membership by 80%. November 11 they have gospel choir concert and free and open to the public.

Bradley - how much funding are you asking for

Ms. Johnson - $1,500, for travel expenses of guest

Choi - do we have more details

Treasurer - They asking for the funding to hire band members? Need to negotiate rate and how they receive money.

Speaker - Will you present resolution next week

Treasurer - Yes

Murtidijaja - What is usual attendance at event

Ms. Johnson about 25-30 every Tuesday

C. SHRM - Christina is President of Society for Human Resource Mangement. This is their first semester on campus. They have an event this semester - to recruit new eboard. 4 of 6 members graduating. Asking for $100 for catering

Mohammed - Did you get any credit?

Ms. Christina - No

Mohammed - How many members?

Ms. Christina - technically 13 members whom have paid their dues

New Business

A. Confirmations - President
   - Treasurer would like to nominate Choi as deputy chair of Treasure of Committee.
   - Choi takes interest in treasury.
   - President nominates Tavares for Marketing and Graphic Design
     - Tavares is excited to take on this role and thinks it is important to the success of the organization.
     - Point of Information by Haque - do all nominees step out for each nomination
     - Speaker - Individual nominees step out for each position.
Bradley spoke in support of Tavares saying she is well qualified.
President spoke in support of Tavares saying she is a strong leader and has the experience and constancy in meetings.
Speaker spoke in support of Tavares saying she works for CSI.
Treasure moves to vote
- Seconded
- Vote was taken and she was approved.

President nominates Haque as Chief of Staff
- Haque was interested in USG and this position because of his value of accountability and communication. He speaks on his experience and leadership in other roles on campus.
- Mohammed asked what event he did in Forensics in High School
- Haque replied- Public Forum
- President Bowens spoke in favor noting the interest in the position and like Haque’s speaking ability and dedicated to what he believes. He also has a high level of self-discipline.
- Treasurer moves to vote
- Vote was taken (1 abstention by Donners) and he was approved.

President nominates Odueyungbo for Chairwoman Student Life Committee
- Odueyungbo shared experience in of student involvement and affairs at UIC. She also lives on campus and advocates for the townhall ideas. Main visions include: school spirit and space. She also have experience and ideas for sustainability and notes job with Environment Illinois.
- President Bowens spoke in favor noting that she showed interest in E-Board position that she felt peaked her interest.
- Bradley spoke in favor noting her character, communication skills and thinks she will do a great job.
- Mark Haddad moved to voting
- Seconded
- Vote was taken and she was approved

President nominates Mark Haddad for Chairman of Diversity and Inclusion Committee
- Haddad expressed his interest and previous work. He wants to provide support, spaces and inclusive of all students and individuals here.
- Bradley asked for specific event
- Haddad responded with cultural showcase
- Bradley asked policy or action based ideas, outside of art
- Haddad answered by creating more cultural centers: Indian American and Native born African Cultures
- President Bowens spoke in favor of Haddad noting his experience in recruitment and his vast amount of ideas concerning art. Thought he would be a great addition to the E-Board
- Bradley expressed concerns about committee being only about art but also inclusive of policies and advocacy
- President Bowens answered that he would be able to brainstorm ideas for advocacy but thinks he has the ability to answer
- Haque asked Bradley if she was noting race issues with police
- Bradley responded with concern that it is not just that but policy
- Herrera commented concern for inclusion of disability and women
- Akande says if he is taught to understand and advocate for policy he may have the skills
- Luke Haddad says he is a hard-working person and works smart. He is open minded and knowledgeable.
- Speaker noted that Chief of Staff can push for his job to be expanded or do better
- Bradley moved to vote
- Seconded
- Vote was taken (2 abstentions- Stancheva and Herrera) and he was approved.

**Items for Discussion**

**A. Town Hall-**

President Bowens met with key person- spoke about location, possibly lecture center A. Tangible task- split up organization in committees- marketing, content and agenda. Will be partnering with the Graduate Student Government. This is a good time to express ideas and potentially present to Chancellor at our next meetings.

Speaker noted dates- week of Nov. 12. What other days would the body like this?
Cohan- All graduate classes are from 3 to 6 p.m.

Bradley- Ask that we delegate work and task in this time

President- propose 2 or 3 dates to propose to graduate student council

Bradley suggested we suggest same time on 3 days that week

Speaker- Monday after thanksgiving is inconvenient

Stancheva- can we ask student body

Haque- no because of time

Klimek- can we send out doodle poll

Speaker asked Bowens to clarify topics and content

President- they are not talking about social issues around Chicago and only student issues

Point of Clarification- by Desrosiers- are we outlining topics or allowing students

Bradley- we are currently deciding, suggested we break up into the 3 groups to figure out our positions

Marketing Committee- Create fliers that look like town halls and it will be sent by Wednesday. Advertise through conversation and interactions in Quad

Topics and Content Committee- We cannot have food in Lecture Centers. Must choose Illinois room or east terrace. Campus Housing, Sustainability, Commuter resources and issues, dining and printers on campus. Gaging student concerns through surveying

Bradley added that we want to set it up as broad topics being based on survey- 3 or 4 topics

Odueyungbo asked how many townhalls do we plan on having

President said in bylaws it said we should do 1 per semester

Agenda Committee- Wanted to have it in 3 sections, Break off into separate group with set topic (either set area or group) the groups change every 30 minutes. Attendance will be about 50-100 and food will be based on that. Eventrbrite or UIC connect would be used as a way for students to RSVP

Bradley- concerned about layout being event formatted and townhalls should be a come and go/ not a small group discussion. Limiting the number of people/ planning for a certain number of people is not in the spirit of townhalls

President added that we could incentivize the attendance

Stancheva- that layout may not be productive

Udoetuk- we wanted a layout for estimating food

Bradley added that our food should be snacks and not dinner. RSVPing is also reasonable

Murtidjaja- Is 2 hours two short amount of time or two late.

Haque- the right to allow for trickle in

Mohammed- Is the chancellor going to be there is it a panel being asked questions

Tavares- maybe set up like Campus Conversations: with panel and allow for questions

Haque- ideally those would be chairs speaking

Donners- it should be designed for more listening and not answering questions.
Udoetuk- Formulate the conversation as a debate and USG as moderated
Bradley- expressed concerned with debate format and that the listening is important to report back to administration
Mohammed- If we are trying to maximize time we should have intermission
Murtidjaja- suggested to topic committee that we focus on tangible change
Cohan- Ask ourselves do we think students have the capacity to influence change. Explain how the USG works so focus can be efficient
Luke Haddad- Have feedback and build on topics
Stancheva- Students should know that we try on certain issues but cannot systemically effect so students are not disappointed
Bradley- By next Monday we should have the formatting issue resolved

B. Student Run Newspaper

Tabled to Next Week

C. Merchandise Items

Announcements

- It is Tran and Haque’s birthday
- Topics and Planning Committee meeting is Wednesday at 5:15; agenda committee also invited

Moved to Adjourn

Meeting ended at 8:15 p.m.

Adjournment
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Resolution 2018-F6-600

MASO (Midwest African Student Organization Conference)

The Undergraduate Student Government
Legislative Body
10.29.2018

Chief Sponsor: Treasurer, John Johannesson
Supporting Sponsor: Deputy Treasurer, Steve Choi

WHEREAS, The UIC African Student Council attended the MASO conference in St. Louis, MO. From 8/31/18-9/2/18.
WHEREAS, The conference enabled attendees to network with professionals and other students associated with ASC.
WHEREAS, MASO promotes diversity and hospitality by providing a welcoming space to those who attend.
WHEREAS, African Student Council did a bake sale on 4/11/18 and also accepted donations for fundraising this conference.
WHEREAS, then, the African Student Council was fully prepared and sent me their requests promptly.

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Student Government of The University of Illinois at Chicago will reimburse $1,133.80 to the African Student Council to cover hotel + conference tickets for the Midwest African Student Organization Conference.

President,
Current President’s Name

Speaker of the Assembly,
Current Speaker’s Name