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Board Meeting

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# REPORT OF THE SECRETARY:

# SELECTION OF STUDENT MEMBERS OF THE

# UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS BOARD OF TRUSTEES, 2024-2025

**University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign**

The election for the student member of the University of Illinois Board of Trustees for 2024-2025 for the Urbana-Champaign university was held February 27-29, 2024. Ms. Ariana Mizan was the declared winner.

The total number of votes cast for student trustee was 6354. The final tally is listed below:

Ariana Mizan 2260

Danny Faibishenko 717

Vincent Feldman 590

Etienne Sirois 253

No Vote 2534

Ariana Mizan is a sophomore from Champaign, majoring in strategy, innovation and entrepreneurship in the Gies College of Business. A graduate of the University of Illinois High School, she volunteered with the Senate Public Engagement Committee and served on the Senate Committee for Student Life. She is the food insecurity chair on the Student Success Undergraduate Advisory Board and representative on the Student Affairs Council. As trustee, she will strive to honor the rich diversity of student stories, identities, voices, and concerns.

**University of Illinois Chicago**

The election of the student member of the University of Illinois Board of Trustees for 2024-2025 for the Chicago university was held April 3-4, 2024. Mr. Quinn Basta was the declared winner.

There was only one candidate who ran for the student representative to the Board of Trustees from UIC. The tally for the certified candidate is listed below.

Quinn Basta 1,431 (Declared winner)

No vote 592

Quinn Basta, a Chicago native, is a senior majoring in finance and minoring in real estate and entrepreneurship. In his time at UIC, Quinn served as chief of staff for the undergraduate student government, as well as president of the Portfolio Management Team. He is currently the president of the Business Student Advisory Board.

Quinn is honored to serve on the Board of Trustees. He hopes to advocate for a high-quality student experience, with a focus on mental health and campus safety, all while providing a strong student voice in all University of Illinois System-level decisions.

**University of Illinois Springfield**

The 2024-2025 Student Government Association (SGA) election, which included the election for the student representative of the University of Illinois Board of Trustees from the University of Illinois Springfield, was held April 10-11, 2024. Mr. Christian (Chris) Johnson was the declared winner.

There were two candidates who ran to be the student representative to the Board of Trustees from UIS. The total number of votes cast for student trustee was 594. The final tally is listed below:

Chris Johnson 256

Melody Colonel 181

No Vote 157

Christian (Chris) Johnson is a junior, majoring in information systems security, minoring in computer science and management. From Minooka, IL, a small village southwest of Chicago, he has served the UIS community as a member of the Student Government Association for three years in various roles. Additionally, Chris is a member of the Campus Child Advocates, the Computer Science Club, the Political Understanding and Activist Club, and the Student Advocacy Coalition. He hopes to serve the people of Illinois after graduation by working in either state or federal government for cyber security.

He is excited to serve as a student trustee, as it will allow him to bring the diverse voices of UIS students to the board.