AGENDA
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE
Wednesday, February 25, 2015
9:00 a.m.
Meeting: 206 Student Center West
Committee Meetings and Luncheon: 213 Student Center West
828 S. Wolcott Avenue
University of Illinois at Chicago

I. Remarks from the USC Chair (Meeting begins in Room 213)

II. USC Committee Meetings

III. Meeting with Trustee Ricardo Estrada (10am)

IV. Meeting with Interim Chancellor Eric Gislason (11am)

(USC will break for lunch at noon.)

V. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of January 22, 2015

VI. Classification of Senate Minutes

A. University of Illinois at Chicago – January 29

B. University of Illinois at Springfield – January 23, February 6, February 20

C. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – February 9, February 16

Explanation of File Numbers

ST - University of Illinois Statutes
GR - The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure
NC - Nominating Committee
OT - All Other Items

VII. Old Business - Action Items


   The UIC and UIS Senates have completed their reviews of the Statutes. The UIUC Senate has completed the 1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th clusters of the proposed revisions. An updated draft document is enclosed for review. New revisions are in purple.
The proposed revisions to the General Rules have been transmitted to the President. The section on Intellectual Property, Article III, has been transmitted to the senates along with the recommendation that this section be moved to the Statutes.

2. OT-307. President’s Executive Leadership Program.

President Easter is seeking a faculty nomination from USC to participate in this year’s program.

VIII. New Business

3. OT-321. UIUC Senate EP.15.33 – Proposal to Create a College of Medicine at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in Partnership with Carle Health System.

President Easter has asked for USC’s advice. A draft document is enclosed for discussion.

4. Designation of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

   Thursday, May 7, 2015   Springfield
   USC Report: __________________
   (For information) Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting and USC Report:

   Thursday, March 12, 2015   Urbana   Roy Campbell
   USC Report: Roy Campbell

5. OT-320. Salary increments and campus budgeting priorities.

Discussion of how basic levels are set and how the campuses handle salary increments.

IX. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items


The UIC Senate approved language with one amendment (as detailed in the UIC Senate Proposed Classification of Minutes). The UIS Senate had a first reading on February 6.


   At its retreat, the Conference decided to develop a white paper to address various topics, including its role in shared governance and relationship with the Board of Trustees. A draft document will be considered by the Executive Committee.


   The USC Statutes and Governance Committee is working on revising the document and turning it into bylaws.


   No new information.


   The UIC Senate approved a motion to withdraw the proposed policy. The UIUC Senate is still considering this item.

12. OT-313. Search for Executive Director of Governmental Relations.

   Professors Tolliver and Villegas will provide an update.


   Discussion of guests to invite to future meetings.

14. Campus Updates.

   Discussion of campus matters for information.
15. Reports from USC Committees:

Academic Affairs and Research Committee       Gay Miller
Finance, Budget and Benefits Committee       Roy Campbell
Hospital and Health Affairs Committee       Jorge Villegas
Statutes and Governance Committee       Nicholas Burbules

16. OT-142. Updates on External Committees: Pre- and Post-Award Research Money
Policy group (Wheeler); Strategic Communications and Marketing Council (Villegas);
UI Labs Task Force (Chambers); University Technology Management Team (Campbell);
Vice President for Academic Affairs Faculty Advisory Committee (Chambers,
Mohammadian, Tolliver, Villegas); Vice President for Academic Affairs UA Budget
Review Advisory Committee (Mohammadian, Villegas, Wheeler); Vice President for
Research Faculty Advisory Committee (Boltuc, Chambers, Villegas, Wheeler).

X. Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on April 1 in Urbana.

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Pending Items

OT-223. Annual Review of the Vice Presidents.

OT-265. Academy on Capitalism and Limited Government.

OT-288. Faculty/Staff Pension and Benefit Issues (formerly Resolution on
Pensions/Pension Reform).


OT-315. Proposed University Senates Conference Resolution on Avoiding Cross-Campus

OT-317. Actions of the State Universities Civil Service System (SUCCS) and preserving
public universities’ exemption authority. USC support of CIUS “Statement of Concern”
10/8/14. Letter to Chairman Kennedy and President Easter 10/13/14. All three senates have
supported the CIUS statement.