

AGENDA
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE

Thursday, February 27, 2014

10:00 a.m.

Meeting: 206 Student Center West

Luncheon: 213 Student Center West

828 S. Wolcott Avenue

University of Illinois at Chicago

- I. Remarks from the USC Chair
- II. Meeting with Vice President Christophe Pierre and Dr. Avijit Ghosh
- III. USC Committee Meetings (will be held in conjunction with lunch from 11:30am-1:00pm)
- IV. Meeting with Kappy Laing
- V. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of January 28, 2014
- VI. Classification of Senate Minutes
 - A. University of Illinois at Chicago – January 30, 2014
 - B. University of Illinois at Springfield – January 24, 2014; February 7 and 21, 2014
 - C. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – February 10, 2014

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

None.

VIII. New Business

- 1. OT-307. University of Illinois Succession Planning.

President Easter would like for the Conference to submit one name for consideration.
An initiative will be launched this spring.

IX. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

2. ST-72. Revisions to the *Statutes*, Article X, Section 2 (Academic Freedom). Passed UIUC Senate 12/6/10; Passed UIC Senate 9/22/11. Passed UIS Senate 12/14/12. Transmitted to the President 1/18/13. Letter to President 9/25/13.

President Easter has been given new draft language for consideration.

3. ST-79/OT-296. Proposed revisions to the *Statutes*, Article XIII, Section 8 – to authorize the University Senates Conference to initiate revisions to the *Statutes*. Approved by USC 1/17/13. Transmitted to Senates 4/5/13. Revised language approved by USC 6/18/13. Transmitted to Senates 6/21/13. Passed UIC Senate 9/26/13. Revised language passed UIUC Senate 11/18/13. Transmitted to Senates 11/26/13.

The UIUC Senate approved revised language on November 18, which was subsequently transmitted to the UIC and UIS Senates.

4. ST-77/GR-46. Revisions to the *Statutes* and *General Rules* – Edits and Updates.

Professors Deberry-Spence, Fisher, Kalita, and Tolliver are part of the committee reviewing these governing documents. An update will be provided.

5. OT-304. Open Access to Research Articles.

The members of the Task Force and the USC Committee will report.

6. OT-305. Report from the UIUC Senate Executive Committee Task Force on Faculty Issues and Concerns. Transmitted to UIC and UIS Senates 1/17/14.

The report was transmitted to the UIC and UIS Senates for information. USC Committees are asked to review the report to identify issues that would be pertinent agenda topics.

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

This item will be discussed during the morning session.

8. OT-223. Annual Review of the Vice Presidents.

The USC Finance, Budget, and Benefits Committee will conduct the review of Vice President Knorr and report back to the full Conference.

9. OT-297. Implications of the Open Meetings Act to the operations of the University Senates Conference.

The USC Statutes and Governance Committee will take up the issue of how to deal with situations that arise between meetings and need to be acted on in an expeditious manner.

10. OT-298. Shared Governance in a Changing Environment.

No new information.

11. OT-301. Records and Information Management Services (RIMS).

No new information.

12. OT-265. Academy on Capitalism and Limited Government.

No new information.

13. OT-123. University Senates Conference guests.

Discussion of guests to invite to future meetings.

14. Upcoming Observer for Board of Trustees Meeting and USC Report Presenter:

Thursday, March 6, 2014, Urbana:
USC Report:

Donald Chambers
Matthew Wheeler

15. Campus Updates.

Discussion of campus matters for information.

16. Reports from USC Committee Chairs:

Academic Affairs and Research Committee
Finance, Budget and Benefits Committee
Hospital and Health Affairs Committee
Statutes and Governance Committee

Matthew Wheeler
Peter Boltuc
Donald Chambers
Joyce Tolliver

17. OT-142. Updates on External Committees: Common Application Consortium (Graber); Enrollment Management Policy Council (Leff); 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 Research Faculty Advisory Committee (Boltuc, Chambers, Villegas, Wheeler).

X. Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on March 18 in Urbana.