

**AGENDA**  
**UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE**

Wednesday, April 1, 2015

10:00 a.m.

Meeting: Innovation Room

Luncheon: Excellence Room

I Hotel and Conference Center

1900 S. First Street

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

I. Remarks from the USC Chair

II. Meeting with President Easter, Vice President Pierre, and Chairman McMillan

(USC will break for lunch at noon.)

III. USC Committee Meetings

IV. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of February 25, 2015

V. Classification of Senate Minutes

A. University of Illinois at Chicago – March 18

B. University of Illinois at Springfield – February 20, March 6, March 27

C. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – March 9

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

VI. Old Business - Action Items

1. OT-319. Proposed revisions to *University Senates Conference Organization and Functions*.

A draft document from the USC Statutes and Governance Committee is enclosed for discussion and action. The *USC Organization and Functions* would become bylaws.

VII. New Business

2. Designation of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

Thursday, May 7, 2015

Springfield

USC Report:

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Jorge Villegas

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

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

4. OT-322. Resolution in Honor of President Robert Easter.

A draft document is enclosed for discussion.

5. ST-80/GR-48. Review of *Statutes* and *General Rules* in regards to policies on academic freedom and extramural speech (UIUC RS.15.06).

This item has been referred to the USC Academic Affairs and Research Committee, which will set up a university-wide committee to review the documents.

VIII. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

6. 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. Revised language approved by USC 3/18/14. Transmitted to Senates 3/21/14. Passed UIUC Senate 11/17/14. Passed UIC Senate as amended 1/29/15.

The UIS Senate had a first reading on February 6 and is still considering this item.

7. ST-77/GR-46. Revisions to the *Statutes* and *General Rules* – Edits and Updates. *Statutes* transmitted to Senates 10/10/14. Passed UIC Senate as amended 12/3/15. Passed UIS 1/23/15. *General Rules* transmitted to the President 12/22/14. *General Rules* (Intellectual Property) transmitted to Senates 1/26/15.

The UIC Senate and UIS Senate have completed their reviews of the *Statutes*, except that UIS will consider the February 25 additional changes at its March 27 meeting. The UIUC Senate plans to complete its review at its April 6 meeting.

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*. The UIS Senate approved revisions to the intellectual property language on March 6 and plans to consider moving this section to the *Statutes* at its meeting on March 27. The UIC Senate approved moving this section to the *Statutes* on March 18, but has not considered the revisions to the language.

8. ST-79. Proposed revisions to the *Statutes*, Article II, Section 2.b, and 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 UIC and UIS Senates 11/26/13. Passed UIS Senate 2/21/14. Passed UIC Senate 4/24/14. Transmitted to the President 6/11/14.

This item is scheduled to go to the Board of Trustees when the overall statutory revisions are taken to the Board.

9. OT-307. President's Executive Leadership Program.

Professors Gay Miller and Kouros Mohammadian have been selected to participate in this year's program.

10. OT-316. University Senates Conference White Paper.

A draft document is enclosed for discussion.

11. 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.

USC submitted its advice to President Easter on February 26.

12. OT-304. Open Access to Research Articles. Transmitted to Senates 10/21/14.

No new information.

13. OT-310. Recommendation for New Policy Language Related to Classified Research at the University of Illinois. Transmitted to Senates 6/25/14. Passed UIS Senate 9/12/14. Withdrawn UIC Senate 1/29/15.

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

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

Professors Tolliver and Villegas will provide an update.

15. Report of USC Observer to Board of Trustees meeting:

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

16. OT-123. University Senates Conference guests.

Discussion of guests to invite to future meetings.

17. Campus Updates.

Discussion of campus matters for information.

18. 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

19. 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).

IX. Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on April 21 in Chicago.

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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-298. Shared Governance in a Changing Environment.

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.