I. Remarks from the USC Chair

II. Meeting with President-designate Easter and Vice President Pierre

President Easter and Vice President Pierre plan to meet with the Conference at 10:00 a.m.

III. Meeting with Chancellor Allen-Meares

Chancellor Allen-Meares plans to meet with the Conference at 1:00 p.m.

IV. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of April 27, 2012

V. Classification of Senate Minutes

A. University of Illinois at Chicago – None

B. University of Illinois at Springfield – May 4, 2012

C. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – April 30, 2012

Explanation of File Numbers

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

VI. New Business

1. Designation of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:
July 18 and 19, 2012  Chicago  ___________________
(Wednesday and Thursday)

Already assigned:
May 31, 2012 (Thursday)  Chicago  Kouros Mohammadian


Representative Naomi Jakobsson has introduced a constitutional amendment to permit the legislature to levy a graduated income tax. Suggestions have been made that there should be a new source of revenue to the State of Illinois rather than modifying the pension system. This will be discussed.

VII. Old Business - Action Items


The UIUC Senate General University Policy Committee approved the document. The UIC Senate Executive Committee will consider this item on May 16. The UIS Senate Executive Committee will consider the item on May 21. The Conference will discuss what action to take.

VIII. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items


Professor Chambers appointed the committee at the April meeting. The committee (Lynn Fisher, Geula Gibori, and Matthew Wheeler, Chair), will present a slate of nominees before the June 19 organizational meeting.


The document, *Strategic Enrollment Management: The Path Forward*, was forwarded to the senates for review. The UIS Senate Chair, Professor John Martin, has communicated that the senate finds the compromise document acceptable. The UIC Senate approved the document on April 19. The UIUC Senate approved a document with recommendations at its meeting of April 30.

The resolution on pensions was sent to President-designate Easter, Chairman Kennedy, the senates, and various University and campus administrators.

7. OT-269. Cross-Campus Dialogue (formerly Call for a University-wide Summit on Organization and Governance).

This item will be discussed with President Easter.

8. OT-271. University Senates Conference presentations to the Board of Trustees.

The next Board of Trustees meeting is May 31 in Chicago.

9. OT-276. Performance Based Funding.

No new information.


No new information.

11. OT-123. Discussion of University Senates Conference guests.

Discussion of possible guests to invite to future meetings.

12. Campus Updates.

Discussion of campus matters for information.

13. OT-142. Update on the Management Teams: Academic Affairs; External Relations; Vice President for Research Faculty Advisory Committee; University Technology.

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Discussion of membership to the VPR FAC.

IX. Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on June 19, 2012, in Urbana.
OT-167. Faculty Representation to the Board of Trustees.

In June 2000, the Resolution on Faculty Representation to the Board of Trustees was transmitted to the President who in turn forwarded the resolution to the Board. The resolution, which was developed by the Conference and approved by each senate, requests a faculty voice from each campus at the Board table. (This resolution was also transmitted to Dr. Ikenberry in December 2009.)

OT-223. Annual Review of the Vice Presidents.

The review process should begin later in the spring semester.


After the Intellectual Property section of The General Rules was revised in September 2009, some Conference members felt that there were additional issues that needed to be addressed, such as what constitutes usual and customary resources that are provided.


The University Technology Management Team approved an interim University Information Security Policy. UTMT will coordinate this policy, which requires approval and implementation at the campus level. The UIS Senate endorsed the policy and the UIUC Senate Executive Committee endorsed the policy with some typographical corrections. The UIC Senate referred the policy to three committees, which provided recommendations.

OT-262. Accelerated Degree Program.

The Conference decided to wait to see what the campuses do.

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

The Conference continues to monitor this item.

OT-266. Proposed revisions to the University Senates Conference Organization and Functions – (including proposed revisions to the subcommittee structure).

The proposed revisions require further discussion.

OT-268. Administrative Reorganization.

The Conference continues to review the various changes in Campus and University Administration.

OT-280. Faculty Participation in Shared Governance at the University of Illinois.

The Conference has discussed best practices for providing advice to the President and to the Board of Trustees.