

AGENDA
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE
Thursday, August 22, 2013
10:00 a.m.
President's House
711 W. Florida Avenue, Urbana

I. Remarks from the USC Chair

II. Meeting with President Easter

(The meeting will recess at 12:00 p.m. for lunch and resume at 1:00 p.m.)

III. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of June 18, 2013
Approval of University Senates Conference Organizational Minutes of June 18, 2013

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

IV. Old Business - Action Items

1. OT-300. USC Guidelines on Conduct of Business

There will be a discussion of the document from the USC Statutes and Governance Committee. This document combines the USC Guidelines for Conduct of Business and the USC Confidentiality Guidelines. The document was also discussed at the June 18 USC meeting, but action was postponed until fall.

V. New Business

2. OT-302. USC 2013 Retreat.

The Conference will discuss plans and topics for the retreat and meeting to be held on September 17 and 18 in Springfield.

VI. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

3. 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.

There will be an update from the USC Statutes and Governance Committee. This item will also be discussed with President Easter.

4. 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.

A revised document was approved at the June 18 meeting and subsequently sent to the senates.

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

No new information.

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

Discussion of internal and external matters that affect or could potentially affect shared governance.

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

President Easter has been asked to share information when it becomes available.

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

No new information.

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

No new information.

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

No new information.

11. OT-123. University Senates Conference guests.

Discussion of guests to invite to future meetings.

12. Campus Updates.

Discussion of campus matters for information.

13. Designation of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting and Faculty Report:

Already assigned (for information):

September 12, 2013 (Thursday)	Urbana	Carol Leff
Faculty report:		Jorge Villegas

14. Report of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

July 25, 2013 (Thursday)	Chicago	Donald Chambers
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15. Reports from USC Committee Chairs:

Academic Affairs and Research Committee	Matthew Wheeler
Finance, Budget and Benefits Committee	Peter Boltuc
Hospital and Health Affairs Committee	Donald Chambers
Statutes and Governance Committee	Joyce Tolliver

16. Report from *ad hoc* Committee on SB1900.

No new information.

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

No new information.

18. 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 (Burbules, Chambers, Mohammadian, Villegas); Vice President for Research Faculty Advisory Committee (Boltuc, Chambers, Wheeler).

Review/confirmation of representatives to the external committees.

VII. Adjournment

The next meeting and the annual retreat are scheduled to be held on September 17 and 18 in Springfield.