I. Remarks from the USC Chair

II. Remarks from the President

III. Meeting with President Easter, Vice President Pierre, and Chairman Kennedy

(The meeting will recess at noon for lunch with Chancellor Phyllis Wise.)

IV. Meeting with Chancellor Wise

V. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of June 19, 2012
   Approval of University Senates Conference Organizational Minutes of June 19, 2012

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

   A revised draft document is enclosed.

VII. New Business

2. Designation of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

   September 14, 2012 Urbana ____________________
3. ST-77/GR-46. Revisions to the *Statutes* and *General Rules* – Edits and Updates.

The Board of Trustees Office is initiating a process to revise the *Statutes* and *General Rules*. There will be a discussion of how USC and the senates can have input into the process and what type of process should be used by USC and the senates to approve the final proposed revisions.

4. OT-289. USC 2012 Retreat.

The Conference will discuss plans and topics for the retreat, which will be held on October 15.

VIII. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

5. OT-288. Resolution on Pensions/Pension Reform.

This item will be discussed during the morning session.

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

The Board of Trustees 7/18 retreat will be discussed during the morning session.

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

The next Board of Trustees meeting is September 14 in Urbana.


No new information.

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

Discussion of possible guests to invite to future meetings.

10. Campus Updates.

Discussion of campus matters for information.
11. Report of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

July 18 and 19, 2012          Chicago          Kenneth Andersen

12. OT-142. Updates on External Committees: Enrollment Management Policy Council; External Relations Management Team; University Technology Management Team; Vice President for Academic Affairs Faculty Advisory Committee; Vice President for Research Faculty Advisory Committee.

A representative is needed for ERMT.

A UIS representative is needed for the VPR FAC.

13. Review of Pending Items.

Conference members are asked to review the addendum and comment if they know of any new information. Background information follows each item.

IX. Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on September 18 in Chicago.
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 Statutes state that: “The university officers are identified in The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure. Prior to recommending to the Board of Trustees the initial appointment of any university officer except the president and the vice presidents/chancellors the president shall seek the advice of the University Senates Conference. On the occasion of the reappointment of any university officer, the University Senates Conference may submit its advice if it so elects.” USC has routinely reviewed the vice presidents, but due to changes in leadership positions, the reviews have not been held on a regular basis for the last few years. The process should begin late in the spring.


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 that USC and the three campuses reviewed. The Information Security Policy, and other related IT policies, can be found at http://wwwaits.uillinois.edu/i_t_policies.

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-268. Administrative Reorganization.

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

OT-276. Performance Based Funding.

Dr. Charlie Evans gave a presentation to USC in October 2012.

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.