AGENDA
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE
Monday, September 21, 2015
9:00 a.m.
Meeting: Innovation Room
Luncheon: Excellence Room
I Hotel and Conference Center
1900 S. First Street, Champaign

I. Remarks from the USC Chair

II. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of August 26, 2015

III. Classification of Senate Minutes

None.

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

None.

V. New Business

1. Designation of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:
   Thursday, November 12, 2015 Chicago

2. OT-326. USC Presentations to the Board of Trustees.
   The USC Chair typically gives the first and last presentations of the academic year. The remaining four are: November 12 (Chicago), January 21 (Chicago), March 16 (Urbana), and May 19 (Springfield). The Conference will discuss possible topics and presenters, while allowing for the need to address “timely” issues.

3. OT-327. University Strategic Planning.
   This item will be discussed during the USC retreat.
VI. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

4. OT-324. Policy on Criminal Background Checks.

The Conference provided advice to Maureen Parks and Jami Painter at the August 26 meeting. On September 10, the Board of Trustees approved the policy.

5. OT-325. USC 2015 Retreat.

The retreat will be held the afternoon and evening of September 21 and during the day of September 22.


This item has been transmitted to the President and is expected to be considered by the Board along with the overall statutory revisions.


The final versions of the Statutes and General Rules were transmitted to the President on May 29.


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No new information.


The senates have been asked to respond by October 1.

11. OT-307. President’s Executive Leadership Program.

Professors Gay Miller and Kouros Mohammadian are participating in this year’s program.


No new information.

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

This item was referred to the USC Finance, Budget, and Benefits Committee.


No new information.

15. OT-123. University Senates Conference guests.

Discussion of guests to invite to future meetings.

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

   Thursday, September 10, 2015 Urbana Gay Miller
   USC Faculty Report: Urbana Nick Burbules

17. Campus Updates.

Discussion of campus matters for information.

18. OT-142. Updates on External Committees: Pre- and Post-Award Research Money Policy group (Wheeler); Vice President for Academic Affairs Faculty Advisory Committee (Burbules, Mohammadian, Villegas); Vice President for Academic Affairs UA Budget Review Advisory Committee (Mohammadian, Villegas, Wheeler); Vice President for Research Faculty Advisory Committee (Boltuc, Villegas, Wheeler).
19. Reports from USC Committees:

   Academic Affairs and Research Committee  Gay Miller
   Finance, Budget and Benefits Committee    Sally Jackson
   Hospital and Health Affairs Committee    Jorge Villegas
   Statutes and Governance Committee        Matt Wheeler

VII. Meeting with President Killeen and Vice President Pierre (10:30am)

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting will adjourn at 12pm. The retreat will begin at 1pm. The next USC meeting is scheduled to be held on November 6 in Springfield beginning at 12pm.

University Senates Conference
Pending

OT-265. Academy on Capitalism and Limited Government.

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


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.