

AGENDA
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE

Wednesday, October 8, 2014

10:00 a.m.

Meeting: 509 Student Center East

Luncheon: 713 Student Center East

750 S. Halsted

University of Illinois at Chicago

I. Remarks from the USC Chair

(The agenda will skip to item IV and continue until Dr. Kies arrives.)

II. Meeting with Dr. Susan Kies, Secretary of the Board of Trustees, 11:30 a.m.

(USC will break for lunch at noon.)

III. Meeting with President Easter and Vice President Pierre, 1:00 p.m.

IV. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of September 9, 2014

V. Classification of Senate Minutes

A. University of Illinois at Chicago – September 18

B. University of Illinois at Springfield – August 29, September 12, September 26

C. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – September 22

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

If USC has officially received the proposed revisions to the *Statutes*, the document will be considered for transmittal to the senates.

VII. New Business

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

At its retreat, the Conference decided to develop a white paper to address various topics, including its role in shared governance and relationship with the Board of Trustees.

VIII. 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. Revised language approved by USC 3/18/14. Transmitted to Senates 3/21/14.

The revised proposed language has been transmitted to the senates for consideration.

4. 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.

The proposed statutory changes have been transmitted to the President and are being reviewed by Legal Counsel.

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

This item will be discussed with the President.

6. OT-304. Open Access to Research Articles.

A draft document from the USC Open Access Committee is enclosed.

7. OT-307. Leadership Development Program.

Professors Deberry-Spence and Villegas will provide an update.

8. OT-309. Presidential Search.

There will be an update from the members who are on the search committee.

9. 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.

The UIS Senate approved the policy language on September 12.

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

Professors Tolliver and Villegas will provide an update.

11. OT-315. Proposed University Senates Conference Resolution on Avoiding Cross-Campus Conflicts. Transmitted 8/27/14.

The resolution was approved at the August 25 meeting and transmitted to the Board of Trustees, the President, the three Chancellors, and the Chairs of the Senates.

12. OT-123. University Senates Conference guests.

Discussion of guests to invite to future meetings.

13. Designated Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

Thursday, November 13, 2014	Chicago	Gay Miller
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USC Report:

Thursday, October 30, 2014	GPEC	Donald Chambers
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14. USC Report:

Thursday, September 11, 2014	Urbana	Sally Jackson
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15. Campus Updates.

Discussion of campus matters for information.

16. 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

17. 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 (Chambers, Mohammadian, Tolliver, Villegas); Vice President for Academic Affairs UA Budget Review 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 December 12 in Springfield.

University Senates Conference
Pending Items

OT-223. Annual Review of the Vice Presidents.

OT-265. Academy on Capitalism and Limited Government.

OT-298. Shared Governance in a Changing Environment.