

**AGENDA**  
**UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE**

Friday, November 6, 2015

1:00 p.m.

Meeting: Room C, Public Affairs Center

Luncheon (12:00 p.m.): PAC Restaurant

One University Plaza

University of Illinois at Springfield

- I. Remarks from the USC Chair
- II. Meeting with President Killeen, Vice President Knorr, and Vice President Pierre
- III. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of September 21, 2015
- IV. Classification of Senate Minutes
  - A. University of Illinois at Chicago – September 24, October 28
  - B. University of Illinois at Springfield – October 9, October 23
  - C. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – September 21, October 19
- V. Committee of the Whole Discussion

The Changing Land-Grant Mission.

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

None.

VII. New Business

- 1. Designation of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

Thursday, January 21, 2016

Chicago

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2. OT-326. USC Presentations to the Board of Trustees.

Professor Erricolo from the USC FBBC will give the presentation on November 12 in Chicago. The following Board meeting is January 21 in Chicago.

3. ST-81. Revisions to University of Illinois Nondiscrimination Statement. Received from Vice President Pierre 10/9/15. Transmitted to Senates 10/12/15. Passed UIC Senate 10/28/15.

The UIC Senate approved the revised statement at its October 28 meeting. The UIUC SEC referred this to its USSP Committee.

#### VIII. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

4. 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. Passed UIUC Senate 11/17/14. Passed UIC Senate as amended 1/29/15. Passed UIS Senate 4/10/15. Transmitted to President 5/12/15.

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

5. ST-77/GR-46. Revisions to the *Statutes* and *General Rules* – Edits and Updates. Received from the Board of Trustees Governance, Personnel, and Ethics Committee 10/6/14. *Statutes*: Transmitted to Senates 10/10/14. Passed UIC Senate 12/3/14. Passed UIS Senate 1/23/15. Passed UIUC Senate 5/4/15. *General Rules* transmitted to the President 12/22/14. *General Rules* (Intellectual Property) transmitted to Senates 1/26/15. Passed UIS Senate 3/6/15. Passed UIC Senate 4/23/15. Passed UIUC Senate 5/4/15. *Statutes* and *General Rules* (Intellectual Property) transmitted to the President 5/29/15.

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

6. 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.

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

7. OT-304. Open Access to Research Articles. Transmitted to Senates 10/21/14. Feedback from UIC Senate 10/19/15. Passed UIUC Senate with recommendations 10/19/15.

The senates were asked to respond to the proposed policy by October 1. The UIC Senate provided feedback to USC on October 19. The UIUC Senate recommended approval of the policy and provided recommendations on October 19. The UIS Senate is still considering the policy.

8. 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. Withdrawn UIC Senate 1/29/15. Passed UIUC SEC 4/17/15.

The UIS Senate approved the policy. The UIC Senate withdrew the item from its agenda and decided to revisit the issue when more information becomes available. The UIUC Senate responded on October 29 that the SEC had approved the policy.

9. OT-324. Policy on Criminal Background Checks. USC Statement on Background Checks 8/26/15. UIUC Senate Resolution on Postponement of the Criminal Background Checks 9/21/15. UIC Senate Criminal Background Check Policy Resolution 9/24/15. UIS Senate Postponement of Criminal Background Check Policy Resolution 10/9/15. UIUC Senate Report in Response to the University Policy on Background Checks 10/19/15.

The senates have approved various resolutions and reports as noted above. USC has created an *ad hoc* committee (Johnson, LaDu, Miller, Novak, and Vincent) to consider the various responses. Vice President Pierre has created a Background Check Policy Working Group (which includes LaDu, Miller, and Vincent).

10. OT-328. Letter to Governor and Legislative Leaders Concerning State Employees' Group Insurance Program. Sent 9/30/15. Transmitted to Senates 9/30/15. UIS Senate letter 10/9/15. UIC Senate letter 10/28/15.

This issue came up during the USC retreat. The UIC and UIS Senates sent letters in support of the USC letter.

11. OT-325. USC 2015 Retreat.

A summary of the retreat will be provided.

12. OT-327. University Strategic Planning.

This item will be discussed with the President.

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

The Academic Affairs and Research Committee will lead the review of Vice President Schook.

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

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

15. OT-323. *USC Statement on Budget Planning and Reform*. Transmitted to President Easter, President-elect Killeen, and Chairman McMillan 4/27/15.

No new information.

16. OT-123. University Senates Conference guests.

Discussion of guests to invite to future meetings.

17. Designation of USC Observer to Board of Trustees meeting (already assigned):

Thursday, November 12, 2015  
USC Faculty Report:

Chicago

Meena Rao  
Danilo Erricolo

18. Campus Updates.

Discussion of campus matters for information.

19. OT-142. Updates on External Committees: Enrollment Management Policy Council (Jackson); 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).

20. Reports from USC Committees:

Academic Affairs and Research Committee  
Finance, Budget and Benefits Committee  
Hospital and Health Affairs Committee  
Statutes and Governance Committee

Gay Miller  
Sally Jackson  
Jorge Villegas  
Matt Wheeler

## IX. Adjournment

The next USC meeting is scheduled to be held on December 10 in Chicago.