AGENDA
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE
Wednesday, November 28, 2012
10:00 a.m.
Meeting: Room C, Public Affairs Center
Luncheon: PAC Restaurant
University of Illinois at Springfield

I. Remarks from the USC Chair

II. Remarks from the President

III. Meeting with President Easter and Vice President Pierre

IV. Meeting with Chancellor Susan Koch (During lunch at noon in the PAC Restaurant.)

V. Meeting with Katherine Laing, Executive Director of Governmental Relations (1:15pm in Room C.)

VI. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of October 16, 2012

VII. Classification of Senate Minutes
   A. University of Illinois at Chicago – October 25, 2012
   B. University of Illinois at Springfield – October 26, 2012, November 9, 2012
   C. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – November 5, 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
VIII. Old Business - Action Items

None.

IX. New Business

1. Board of Trustees Meeting: Thursday, January 24, 2013, Chicago*

   Designation of Observer: ______________________

   Faculty Report: ______________________

   *The retreat will be held on Wednesday, January 23.

X. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items


   The Board of Trustees Office has initiated a process to revise the Statutes and General Rules. Professor Burbules will provide an update.


   The UIS Senate Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee has reported. The UIS Senate will have first reading on November 30.

4. OT-291. Recommendation to establish Faculty Advisory Committees for all four Vice Presidents.

   No new information.

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

   Discussion of possible guests to invite to future meetings.

6. Campus Updates.

   Discussion of campus matters for information.
7. 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

8. Report of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

    November 8, 2012  Springfield  Lynn Fisher

9. 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; 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).

10. 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.

XI. Adjournment

    The next meeting is scheduled to be held by videoconference on January 17.
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://www.aits.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 2011.

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.

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

The Conference continues to monitor pension and benefit issues.