AGENDA
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE

Tuesday, December 1, 2020
10:00 a.m.

Meeting will be held by web conferencing
(*See Zoom information at the end of the agenda)

I. Meeting with President Killeen and Executive Vice President Wilson
(The meeting will recess at 12:00 p.m. and resume at 1:00 p.m.)

II. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of October 27, 2020

III. Classification of Senate Minutes

A. University of Illinois at Chicago – None
B. University of Illinois at Springfield – November 6, November 20
C. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – November 16

IV. Remarks from the USC Chair

V. USC Committee of the Whole Discussion: Follow-up items from morning session

Explanation of File Numbers
ST - University of Illinois Statutes
GR - The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure
NC - Nominating Committee
OT - Other Topics

VI. Old Business - Action Items

1. OT-371. Proposed revisions to the University of Illinois Residency Status Policy.

   The USC Statutes and Governance Committee will provide recommendations regarding
   the next steps for USC to consider.

2. OT-372. Proposal to establish a consultation process for system policies.

   The USC ad hoc committee working on this will provide an update.

3. OT-375. Discovery Partners Institute Bylaws.

   The USC Statutes and Governance Committee will provide advice. USC will consider
   approving the DPI Bylaws.


Items 4-9 can be considered for removal from the agenda.

VII. New Business

10. USC Observer to Board of Trustees meeting:

Thursday, January 21, 2021   Livestream

11. OT-377. Removing the Academic Sick Leave Policy from the General Rules and making it a separate Human Resources policy.

Jami Painter, Associate Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer, writes that: “The content outlining the sick leave provisions for academic staff was taken out of the General Rules and thus we need to create a policy to house that information. Nothing about our sick leave benefits for academic staff have changed; this is merely lifting the language from General Rules and making it into a separate HR policy.” She welcomes USC comments and questions.

VIII. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

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

The next report to the Board will be January 21.


Professor Wade is now part of the group working on this policy.


USC’s feedback was provided to Jami Painter. Professor Razfar will be a member of the search committee.
15. **ST-83. Revisions to the Statutes** – new proposed revisions and proposed revisions from ST-77 that need further discussion (B File). Sent to Executive Vice President Wilson 5/1/20.

The most recent version of the new proposed revisions to the Statutes has been sent to Executive Vice President Wilson for discussion with University Counsel, System HR, and the USC Statutes and Governance Committee. The group met recently.


USC approved sending the reconciled language of the Statutes and Governance Committee to the senates for information and any last comments. UIC and UIUC Senate committees have provided advice.

17. **ST-85. Proposed Revisions to the Statute, Article X, Section 1 (Tenure of Academic Staff) (a) 6 and 7 – to permit the use of five-year appointments for non-tenure track faculty.** Passed UIC Senate 4/22/20. Transmitted to UIS and UIUC Senates 5/1/20.

The proposed statutory revisions approved by the UIC Senate were transmitted to the UIS and UIUC Senates.


The proposed statutory revisions approved by the UIUC Senate were transmitted to the UIC and UIS Senates. The UIC Senate approved the revisions on October 21.


The draft policy has been sent to the senates for review and feedback.


No new information.

This was the topic of the USC report to the Board in November.

22. OT-123. University Senates Conference guests.

Discussion of guests to invite to future meetings.

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

Thursday, November 12, 2020 Livestream Lynn Fisher

24. University Updates.

Discussion of university matters for information.

25. OT-142. Updates from External Groups with USC Representatives: Enrollment Management Policy Council (Wade); President’s Executive Leadership Program (De Groote); Vice President for Academic Affairs Faculty Advisory Committee for System Academic Affairs; Student Mental Health Services Summit Working Group (Hunt); Sexual Misconduct Implementation Group (Kar, Strahle, Stroscio); U of I System Going Forward: Excellence Amid COVID-19 Steering Committee (John Dallesasse); DPI Bylaws Task Force (De Groote).

26. Reports from USC Committees:

Academic Affairs and Research Committee Aria Razfar
Finance, Budget, and Benefits Committee Roy Campbell
Statutes and Governance Committee Sandy De Groote

IX. Adjournment

The next USC meeting will be held on January 26.

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