

AGENDA
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE

Thursday, December 10, 2015

10:00 a.m.

Meeting: 206 Student Center West

Committee Meetings and Luncheon: 213 Student Center West

828 S. Wolcott Avenue

University of Illinois at Chicago

I. Remarks from the USC Chair

II. Meeting with President Killeen and Vice President Pierre

(The meeting will break at noon for lunch. USC Committees will meet during that time.)

III. Meeting with Chancellor Amiridis

IV. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of November 6, 2015

V. Classification of Senate Minutes

A. University of Illinois at Chicago – December 2

B. University of Illinois at Springfield – November 6, November 20

C. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – November 16, December 7

VI. Committee of the Whole Discussion

The Washington Post articles, “Four tough things universities should do to rein in costs”
and “Four tough things columnists should do before writing about universities.”

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

VII. Old Business - Action Items

None.

VIII. New Business

1. Designation of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

Thursday, January 21, 2016

Chicago

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

The USC presentation on January 21 will be an update from each campus on online education accomplishments.

3. OT-329. Appointments/Confirmation of USC Representatives to External Groups.

USC representation on external committees will be reviewed and open positions will be filled.

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| Enrollment Management Policy Council: | Sally Jackson |
| Pre- and Post-Award Research Money Policy Group: | Matthew Wheeler |
| President's Executive Leadership Program: | Gay Miller Kouros Mohammadian |
| Vice President for Academic Affairs Faculty Advisory Committee: | Nicholas Burbules Kouros Mohammadian Jorge Villegas |
| Vice President for Academic Affairs UA Budget Review Advisory Committee: | Kouros Mohammadian Jorge Villegas Matthew Wheeler |
| Vice President for Finance Faculty Advisory Committee: | To be determined |
| Vice President for Research Faculty Advisory Committee: | Peter Boltuc Jorge Villegas Matthew Wheeler |

IX. 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. 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 UIS and UIUC Senates are still considering this item.

8. 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 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 has discussed the policy but has not given a formal response.

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. 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.

10. OT-324. University 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. VPAA Working Group document transmitted to Senates 11/12/15. Updated document transmitted to Senates 11/30/15.

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

11. OT-327. University Strategic Planning.

This item will be discussed with the President.

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

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

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

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

14. OT-123. University Senates Conference guests.

Discussion of guests to invite to future meetings.

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

Thursday, November 12, 2015
USC Faculty Report:

Chicago

Meena Rao
Danilo Erricolo

16. Campus Updates.

Discussion of campus matters for information.

17. OT-142. Updates on External Groups with USC Representatives: Enrollment Management Policy Council (Jackson); Pre- and Post-Award Research Money Policy group (Wheeler); President's Executive Leadership Program (Miller, Mohammadian); 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 Finance (to be determined); Vice President for Research Faculty Advisory Committee (Boltuc, Villegas, Wheeler).

18. Reports from USC Committees:

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| 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 |

X. Adjournment

The next USC meeting is scheduled to be held on January 25 by videoconference.