

University Senates Conference
Executive Committee Meeting

Minutes

June 2, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Videoconference via Zoom

The next USC meeting will be held June 26 at UIS.

Present: Nicholas Burbules, Sandra De Groote (Chair), Danilo Erricolo, Lynn Fisher, Jeffrey Eric Jenkins, Celest Weuve

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Professor De Groote.

Approval of Minutes from the May 8, 2023, Meeting

The minutes from the May 8 Executive Committee meeting were approved as distributed by a roll call vote.

Yes: Burbules, De Groote, Erricolo, Weuve

No: None

Abstain: None

Discussion of Topics for President Killeen, Executive Vice President Jones, and Vice President for Economic Development and Innovation Jay Walsh – 10:00 a.m.

Professor De Groote held a collaborative discussion with the Executive Committee.

President Killeen and EVP Jones:

- Update on Discovery Partners Institute
- Priorities of the additional funding approved in the state budget
- System approach to addressing rising capital costs due to supply chain issues

VP Walsh:

- Update on the Economic Development and Innovation Office and its priorities
- Organizational structure of the Illinois Innovation Network and components
- Illinois Innovation Network priorities

Discussion of Topics for Chancellor Jones – 1:00 p.m.

Professor De Groote held a collaborative discussion with the Executive Committee.

Chancellor Jones:

- General update on the UIUC Campus
- Priorities for the new Provost
- Enrollment update
- Balancing remote work with providing great customer service and education

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Guests to consider inviting for future meetings

Professor De Groote encouraged USC to consider who should be invited in the next academic year.

- Joe Barnes, Chief Digital Risk Officer for August 17

USC Business Agenda items

- USC Chair nominations for:
 - President's Advisory Council (1)
 - President's Executive Leadership Program (1)
 - Discovery Partners Institute Executive Committee (2)
 - Enrollment Management Policy Council (1)
- Suggestions for future meetings and travel

Professor De Groote adjourned the meeting at 11:33 a.m.