DATE: Tuesday, April 30, 2019

PLACE: Room 222C Student Union, Springfield

PRESENT: Brennan, Burbules, Dallesasse, Danziger, De Groote, Erricolo, Francis, Johnson, Kalita, Karri, Li, Maher, Miller, Razfar, Span*, Stroscio, Tolliver, Vincent*, Wade

ABSENT: Kling

GUESTS: Jennifer Creasey, Susan Koch, Barbara Wilson

*Participated by phone

Professor Tolliver, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Professor Burbules said that Professor Tolliver had received the Outstanding Faculty Leadership Award, which is part of the Campus Awards for Excellence in Faculty Leadership.

I. Meeting with Executive Vice President Barbara Wilson and Ms. Jennifer Creasey

Vice President Wilson said that President Killeen regrets not being able to attend today’s meeting.

Vice President Wilson reported that applications were up 11% overall and up 12% for Illinois residents. Admissions are up 5%, but the acceptance rates will not be definite until after the May 1 response deadline. UIC acceptances look like they have gone down a little, but this follows a period of high growth. UIS is up on acceptances.

Vice President Wilson said that the House appropriation hearing is coming up soon. The University is asking for 16% above last year’s appropriation. She noted that the Governor’s budget calls for a 5% increase for higher education.

Vice President Wilson thanked USC members for their feedback on retreat planning and for the nominations of faculty participants. Topics will focus on integrity and excellence, healthy relationships, and sustainability – both fiscal and environmental.

The Sexual Misconduct Task Force has been meeting once a month. The charge to the group is to assess policies and practices and develop guiding principles for the universities. The recommendations will focus on education and training, investigating, and responding.

Vice President Wilson said that the principal investigators of the fourteen projects that were funded in the Humanities and Arts are getting together to discuss their projects and see if there are ways they can collaborate.

\[1\text{Subject to approval at the University Senates Conference meeting of May 29, 2019}\]
Vice President Wilson provided background information on “ban the box,” which is the box to check on college applications if the applicant has a criminal history. There have been legislative bills proposing that the question be eliminated, but none have passed. She said that the University of Illinois plans to eliminate the question on applications but, to ensure campus safety, students will be asked about criminal history after they are admitted and sign intent to enroll papers.

Vice President Wilson commented that the five-year hiring plan cannot happen without additional revenue. Over half of the 900 faculty hires in the plan would be replacements.

Vice President Wilson said that the system-level task force on free speech will be working on guidelines to help each university determine what they need to be thinking about.

The group discussed how to move forward with the approval process of the Discovery Partners Institute. Vice President Wilson commented that the approval process for temporary institutes at the universities has not included Board approval. Professor Tolliver referred to the process outlined in the Statutes for academic institutes at the system level, which ends with a vote by the Board.

Ms. Jennifer Creasey, Senior Director of State Relations, joined the meeting at 11 a.m. She provided an overview of the structure of her office and the Federal Relations office. Ms. Creasey is a U of I graduate and is proud to represent the University in the capital. Her office wants to be a resource for state government and make sure that everyone is working together. She commented that everything related to the governor and legislature goes through President Killeen.

Ms. Creasey said that the state appropriations is her number one concern. President Killeen and Vice President Wilson have already testified in the Senate and will be testifying in the House later in the week. The state provides 12.2% of the University’s overall budget. The University System is 50% of the higher education budget. It is important to show the legislature that our budget requests are justified. The legislature considers payments on behalf, such as health insurance and pensions, as part of the state’s overall contribution to higher education’s budget. Ms. Creasey said that there is a capital bill for the first time in ten years. The Illinois Connection is a legislative advocacy group that is managed out of her office. The group is ramping up its efforts in May.

Ms. Creasey discussed the Illinois Prosper bill, which encourages economic development by offering tax incentives for businesses that locate near public universities. The businesses also benefit by having access to students and faculty.

Ms. Creasey highlighted some of the legislative bills that her office is currently working on. She said that it is important for the legislature to talk to higher education when considering teacher shortage bills. Her office has voiced its concerns with proposed ISBE rules.

The group discussed the consequences of state regulatory burdens. Ms. Creasey commented that State Relations tries to educate legislators on how the University is different from other state agencies. They have been successful in peeling back regulations a little at a time.
Vice President Wilson said that IGPA (Institute of Government and Public Affairs) will be issuing a report on the idea of a progressive tax in Illinois. This is the kind of activity she anticipates IGPA doing more of in the future; providing policy analysis.

Vice President Wilson said that USC would be sent the Office of Governmental Relation’s guidelines on interacting with the General Assembly. Ms. Creasey offered to send USC members OGR’s regular newsletter and the end-of-session overview of the budget.

II. Meeting with Chancellor Susan Koch

Chancellor Koch commented that UIS is a young institution that will be celebrating 50 years the year after next. She has been chancellor for eight years.

Chancellor Koch listed three top priorities for UIS: growth and enrollment, talent, and facilities. In order to grow, UIS needs to add more academic programs. UIS has been successful in its fundraising efforts in the current campaign. Providing scholarships is the number one priority. UIS is about to announce its second distinguished faculty hire. She commented that UIS received a gift of $1.5M from one alumna for the student union.

UIS is in Division II athletics and has had conference championships in baseball, softball, and volleyball. Their athletes do well academically. Cross country was added and has attracted talented students.

Enrollment has been down the past two years, mostly from international graduate students. UIS is anticipating about a 13% increase in its freshman class this fall.

Chancellor Koch said that she periodically meets with the UIS Senate chair. The Provost and her Chief of Staff attend the senate meetings.

Chancellor Koch commented that IIN needs to recruit valuable partners in order to be successful. DPI, which is part of IIN, is an exciting concept that could have great economic and social impact. The UIS hub of IIN is in downtown Springfield. Funding from the state and investors is crucial.

Chancellor Koch stressed the importance of partnerships among the three universities.

III. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of April 2, 2019

The minutes were approved as written.

IV. Classification of Senate Minutes

| Class I: Matters of policy affecting one campus only. Item is sent to the President and Board of Trustees for action. |
| Class II: Matters affecting more than one campus. Item is sent to Senate(s) for action, then to President and Board of Trustees. At the time of this classification, |
the Conference member will file with the recording secretary an accurate final copy of the Senate action.

Class III: Amendments to the *University of Illinois Statutes*. Procedure is the same as with Class II items. At the time of reporting this classification, the Conference member will file with the recording secretary an accurate final copy of the Senate action.

Class N: This designation requires no USC action, but alerts one or more Senates to an item of interest from the originating Senate. The "N" is preceded by and followed by a lower case letter(s); c = Chicago; s = Springfield; u = Urbana-Champaign; usc = University Senates Conference. Example: "cNs,u" means that a matter has come up in the Chicago Senate, which may be of interest to Springfield and Urbana-Champaign.

The proposed classifications were approved.

A. The following items were classified I by the University Senates Conference:

1. **University of Illinois at Springfield, April 19, 2019**

   Res 48-20 Graduate Certificate in Public Utility Management and Regulation

2. **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April 22, 2019**

   EP.19.34 Establish the Graduate concentration in Entrepreneurship and Innovation

   EP.19.52 Establish the Graduate concentration in Aerospace Systems Engineering within the Master of Engineering in Engineering

   EP.19.53 Deliver the Master of Engineering in Electrical and Computer Engineering online

   EP.19.56 Establish the Master of Science in Health Technology

   EP.19.58 Revise and Rename the BALAS in Comparative Literature

   EP.19.59 Establish the Graduate Concentration in Pharmaceutical Engineering in the Master of Engineering

   EP.19.60 Establish the Graduate Concentration in Plasma Engineering in the Master of Engineering

   EP.19.62 Revise the Undergraduate Minor in Art History

   EP.19.63 Establish the Medical Scholars Program, a joint MD/PhD program
EP.19.64  Revise the undergraduate core curriculum, thereby revising the Bachelor of Science in the following majors (accountancy; finance; information systems; management; marketing; operations management; supply chain management)

EP.19.65  Revise the PhD in the Institute of Communications Research

EP.19.66  Establish a Concentration in Bilingual-Bicultural Education in the Department of Curriculum & Instruction

EP.19.67  Establish the graduate concentration in Digital Learning in the Department of Curriculum & Instruction

EP.19.68  Revise the language in the Student Code on Computation of Scholastic Averages for Graduate Students

EP.19.70  Revise the Undergraduate Minor in Cinema

EP.19.71  Revise the Bachelor of Science in Food Science and Human Nutrition, Food Science Concentration

EP.19.73  Eliminate the Bachelor of Arts in the Teaching of Latin

EP.19.74  Revise two concentrations in the Bachelor of Science in Learning and Education Studies

EP.19.75  Establish the undergraduate Kinesiology Minor

EP.19.76  Eliminate the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Craft

EP.19.77  Establish the Center on Health, Aging, and Disability as a permanent center

EP.19.78  Administrative Approvals at the April 15, 2019 EP Meeting

3.  University of Illinois at Chicago, April 24, 2019

PR-19.55  Proposal to Eliminate the Master of Science in Surgery

PR-19.56  Proposal to 1) Consolidate, Rename, and Revise the Doctor of Philosophy in Biopharmaceutical Sciences, Doctor of Philosophy in Medicinal Chemistry and Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmacognosy; 2) Consolidate, Rename, and Revise the Master of Science in Biopharmaceutical Sciences, Master of Science in Medicinal Chemistry and Master of Science in Pharmacognosy; 3)
Establish Five Concentrations in the Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmaceutical Sciences; 4) Establish Four Concentrations in the Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences

PR-19.57 Proposal to Revise the Master of Science in Public Health and Revise the Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health

PR-19.58 Proposal to Establish the Concentration in Health Analytics in the Master of Science in Public Health

PR-19.59 Proposal to Revise the Master of Public Health Core Curriculum

PR-19.60 Proposal to Revise the Master of Public Health, Concentration in Community Health Sciences

PR-19.61 Proposal to Establish the Joint Master of Public Health / Doctor of Dental Medicine

PR-19.62 Proposal to Establish the Joint Master of Urban Planning and Policy / Master of Public Health

PR-19.63 Proposal to Establish the Joint Master of Science in Finance/ Master of Business Administration

PR-19.64 Proposal to Eliminate the Minor in Human Capital and Labor Markets

PR-19.65 Proposal to Eliminate the Undergraduate Certificate in the Teaching of Economics

PR-19.66 Proposal to Rename the Department of African American Studies

PR-19.67 Proposal to Establish the Black Studies (BLST) Course Subject and Eliminate the African American Studies (AAST) Course Subject

PR-19.68 Proposal to Rename the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in African American Studies and Rename the Minor in African American Studies

PR-19.69 Proposal to Establish the Interdepartmental Graduate Concentration in Black Studies

PR-19.70 Proposal to Revise the Minor in Business Analytics

PR-19.71 Proposal to Rename and Revise the Minor in Business Operations
PR-19.72 Proposal to Rename the Concentration in Operations and Supply Chain Management in the Bachelor of Science in Information and Decision Sciences

PR-19.73 Proposal to Revise the Bachelor of Design in Graphic Design and Revise the Bachelor of Design in Industrial Design

PR-19.74 Proposal to Revise the Bachelor of Science in Neuroscience

PR-19.75 Proposal to Establish the Interdepartmental Graduate Concentration in Museum and Exhibition Studies

PR-19.76 Proposal to Revise the Master of Arts in Germanic Studies and Revise the Doctor of Philosophy in Germanic Studies

PR-19.77 Proposal to Revise the Master of Science in Nursing

PR-19.78 Proposal to Revise the Doctor of Nursing Practice

PR-19.79 Proposal to Establish a Dual Admission Associate Degree in Nursing to Bachelor of Science in Nursing Pathway Program

B. The following items were classified II by the University Senates Conference:

4. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April 22, 2019

EP.19.55 Establish the Discovery Partners Institute as a Temporary Institute of the University of Illinois System

5. University of Illinois at Chicago, April 24, 2019

The UIC Senate provided advice regarding the proposed revisions to the General Rules, Article III – Intellectual Property (USC GR-46), which is in an attached letter.

C. The following items were classified III by the University Senates Conference:

6. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April 22, 2019

SP.19.12 Proposed Revisions to the Statutes, Article VIII, Section 4 – Changes in Existing Units (Second Reading; Action)

D. The following items were classified N by the University Senates Conference:

7. University of Illinois at Springfield, April 5, 2019

sNu Res 48-19 Doctoral Closure Guidelines
8. **University of Illinois at Springfield, April 19, 2019**

- sNc.u Res 48-21 Task Force on Faculty Mentoring
- Res 48-22 Allocation of Administrative Support to Senate

9. **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April 22, 2019**

- uNc,s GP.07.04 Multi-Year Contract Option for Eligible Academic Staff: Implementation Proposals
- GP.18.04 Senate Statement on Course Materials: Intellectual Property Rights and Professional Responsibility
- SC.19.22 2019-2020 Senate and Senate Executive Committee (SEC) Meeting Schedule
- SP.19.03 Revision to the Standing Rules – Speaking at Senate and Senate Committee Meetings
- SP.19.13 Revision to the Bylaws, Part D.16 – Committee on Public Engagement and Institutional Advancement

V. **Remarks from the USC Chair**

There were no remarks from the Chair.

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

USC continued to the business items since some are follow-up from the morning session.

**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**


Professor Tolliver referred to a summary of how each of the senates have acted regarding advice on the Discovery Partners Institute. She said that it is now the responsibility of USC to coordinate the advice of the senates and provide a summary to the President. The group
discussed the draft USC advice document that Professor Tolliver had sent. She commented that there are two approval paths; the IBHE approval process for temporary institutes and the process outlined in the Statutes. The draft document provides background information on the approval process. There were some minor editing corrections.

Professor De Groote indicated that the UIC Senate Research Committee reviewed the DPI proposal and, while members noted some concerns, the committee endorsed the proposal before it went to the full senate. Professor Tolliver responded that she would include this in the USC DPI advice document.

Professor Maher suggested that the April 18 addendum that provided answers to concerns raised about DPI that was prepared by Drs. Phyllis Baker and William Sanders be included in the advice document.

USC members discussed the importance of the shared governance process that has occurred over the past year or more that led to the current approval process and contributed to establishing the DPI Academic Governance Advisory Group.

Professor Vincent commented that it was not clear where the recommendations and concerns from the UIC Senate were addressed. Professor Tolliver said that the responses are in the April 18 addendum. Professors De Groote and Vincent said that they could see the responses to UIC’s concerns in the addendum, but not the responses to UIC’s concerns. Professor Tolliver responded that there are several documents that make up the addendum. She thought that the addendum incorporated all the concerns that came from the senates and USC. Concerns from USC members were also raised about how the addendum was labeled, how it could be tracked to the senate and USC documents, and whether USC should ask that the document be revised. There was a discussion about how to proceed. USC decided to include the UIC Senate concerns, which were in a letter from Professor Vincent, as an attachment in USC’s response document. It was noted that the UIC Senate advice asks that its concerns be clarified in the proposal before DPI becomes permanent. Several revisions were suggested for the USC advice document. The group decided not to ask for revisions to the addendum.

Professor Maher suggested that the April 18 addendum from Dr. Baker and Sanders remain as is and be an attachment to the USC advice document; the UIC Senate advice letter would also be an attachment; and the USC advice document would reflect revisions suggested during the meeting. He made this into a motion. Professor Razfar seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Professor Tolliver asked if there was any objection to USC supporting DPI as a temporary institute. There were no objections. There was a discussion of whether the motion that is highlighted in the advice document should indicate that the advice should be sent to the Board. Professor Tolliver said that this language comes from the Statutes. In general, USC members were in favor of including in the motion that the advice document go to the Board.

Professor Tolliver read the motion that is highlighted in the advice document as revised: The University Senates Conference supports the Discovery Partners Institute as a temporary institute. We recommend that this document as well as the April 18 addendum from Phyllis
Baker and William Sanders be included with the formal DPI proposal as distributed to the senates to the Board of Trustees for action. Professor Miller seconded the motion.

The group discussed how to include the attachments and decided that the letter from Professor Karri on behalf of the UIS Senate and the DPI formal proposal also be attached.

Professor Maher stated the revised motion: The University Senates Conference supports the Discovery Partners Institute as a temporary institute. The University Senates Conference recommends that this document, along with the April 18 addendum from Phyllis Baker and William Sanders (Attachment 1), the March 27 Catherine Vincent memorandum of UIC Senate’s consideration (Attachment 2), and the UIS Senate advice (Attachment 3) be transmitted along with the formal DPI proposal to the Board of Trustees for action. Professor Tolliver asked that she be given flexibility with the precise wording when finalizing the advice document. Professor Miller seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

VIII. New Business

2. OT-358. Five-Year Faculty Hiring Plan.

Professor Tolliver said that it would be helpful for USC to be on record as supporting the need for a five-year hiring plan. Professor Johnson cautioned tying such a document to support of the needs assessment document. Professor Burbules felt that it was important for each University to identify areas that should be prioritized for growth. Professor Tolliver asked the USC Academic Affairs and Research Committee to draft a document.

IX. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items


Professor Tolliver commented that USC dealt with this item. Professor Johnson moved to remove the item from the agenda. Professor Razfar seconded the motion. There were no objections.

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

Professor Tolliver said that USC plans to meet with each vice president next year.

5. OT-357. Lifelong Alumni Connections.

Professor Tolliver commented that email is often used for professional purposes. She would like to hear more about costs associated with alumni retaining their email addresses and suggested that this be a topic at the next meeting.

Professor Burbules said that the committee would begin its work after the senates have held elections. He said that the steps are to find out who next year’s members will be, ask for committee preferences, and ask for interest and willingness to serve as an officer.


Professor Burbules said that the UIUC Senate University Statutes and Senate Procedures Committee is still working on the document.


Professor Burbules said the UIC Senate has transmitted recommendations to the second round of Intellectual Property changes.


Professor Burbules commented that some progress has been made.


[Items 10-12] Professor Burbules noted that these items are done and have been sent to the President. They will be considered as part of the overall package that includes ST-77.

13. ST-83. Revisions to the Statutes – new proposed revisions and proposed revisions from ST-77 that need further discussion (B File).

Professor Burbules said that these are second-round revisions. He commented that there is another issue to add to the list of considerations; the term academic staff needs to be cleared up.


Professor Burbules reported that this item was on hold while the UIUC Senate reconsidered the language. The senate has approved revised language that distinguishes between academic renaming and honorific renaming. Professor Burbules moved to send the revised document to the UIC and UIS Senates. The motion was seconded and approved.

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

Professor Erricolo said that Professor Wade would give the report to the Board on behalf of the Finance, Budget, and Benefits Committee in May.


The Conference discussed guests to invite.

17. Designation of USC Observer to Board of Trustees meeting:

Thursday, May 16, 2019 Springfield Bettina Francis

18. OT-339. Audit of the University Senates Conference.

No new information.
19. University Updates.

Professor Francis said that Professor Rob Kar had been elected UIUC SEC Chair and also elected to USC.

20. OT-142. Updates on External Committees: DPI Academic Governance Advisory Group (De Groote, Johnson); DPI Academic Executive Committee (Karri); Enrollment Management Policy Council (Wade); President’s Executive Leadership Program (Erricolo); Vice President for Academic Affairs Faculty Advisory Committee for System Academic Affairs (Tolliver).

DPI AGAG: Professor De Groote said that the group is finalizing the document on the DPI governance structure. There has been a suggestion that AGAG work on the bylaws. The group discussed the process for drafting bylaws. Professor Maher moved that USC request a recommendation from the people who constitute AGAG as to its possible continued existence and under what administrative agency that existence would be. The motion was seconded. Professor Johnson asked to whom the recommendation would go and why. Professor Maher said the recommendation would be brought to USC by Professors Johnson and De Groote and would consider whether AGAG should have a continuing or transformed presence. The body has had a useful role in the overall DPI process and USC might want to weigh in on whether AGAG should continue its academic advisory role. Professor Johnson thought it made sense to discuss whether the group should continue and under whose authority AGAG would operate. Professor Maher clarified that the recommendation should come from Professors De Groote and Johnson, not the entire AGAG. Professor Johnson thought that any recommendation on the existence of AGAG should be sent to President Killeen, Vice President Wilson, and Dr. Sanders.

PELP: Professor Erricolo reported that the last workshop will be held at UIC in May.

21. Reports from USC Committee Chairs:

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There were no reports.

X. Adjournment

Professor Miller moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Professor Brennan and approved by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.