DATE: Thursday, May 3, 2018

PLACE: Room 222C Student Union, Springfield

PRESENT: Burbules, DeBberry-Spence, De Groote, Francis, Johnson, Kalita*, Karri, Li, Maher, Miller, Novak (Vice Chair), Rao (Chair), Tolliver, Vincent, Weech

ABSENT: Brennan, Erricolo, Razfar, Wheeler

GUESTS: Laura Clower, Keenan Dungey, Timothy Killeen, Susan Koch, Barbara Wilson

*Participated by phone

Professor Rao, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

I. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of April 2, 2018

The minutes were approved as written with one abstention.

II. Meeting with President Killeen and Executive Vice President Wilson

President Killeen reported that the legislative budget hearings went well. There were no indications that the budget request was out of line. The governor is talking with legislative leaders. The President is hopeful that a budget agreement will be reached by the end of May. He thanked Vice President Wilson for her careful preparation of materials.

The group discussed the possibility of a salary program and how separating CMER (compression, market, equity, and retention) numbers from the overall salary program better defines the actual percentage increase. The group also discussed the increase in the student-to-faculty ratio. Faculty numbers have gone down a little, and student numbers are up. The faculty recruitment program has had four successes so far. The program aims for ten stellar faculty recruitments a year for three years. Strategic enrollment has helped to increase student numbers. However, African-American student numbers and international student numbers are below plan.

President Killeen said that capital planning is underway. The chancellors are prioritizing their projects.

Vice President Wilson referred to the appropriations booklet that she distributed, noting that the majority of students do not pay full tuition. There is discounting through various forms of aid, such as PELL, MAP, and the University’s own programs. President Killeen said that our tuition sticker price is high.

1Subject to approval at the University Senates Conference meeting of May 24, 2018
President Killeen commented that the University of Illinois has its outlook plan in the form of IPAC. However, overall public higher education in Illinois needs deep thinking for a master plan that would include community colleges, K-12, and Chicago Public Schools. He believes that the University should be the thought-leader for the state. The President said that the Board retreat in July will look at Board functions and include self-reflection.

President Killeen said that the $370,000 marketing campaign for the University system is up and running. There have been positive comments. There will be surveys to determine its effectiveness. Pre-launch, one-half of respondents in the state did not think the U of I had much impact on the economy in the state. In reality, the University has a $14B impact. A new impact study will be conducted in the fall. Some USC members expressed concern that some members of state government were not well-informed of the roles and contributions of each of the three universities. While it was recognized that the chancellors are rightly expected to advance the initiatives of their campuses, more could be done to advance the notion of the University’s contribution as a whole.

President Killeen discussed the UIC initiative to acquire the John Marshal Law School. The UIC Senate approved the acquisition at its last meeting. There has been a huge amount of due diligence regarding the financial feasibility. The President asked for the Conference’s input and advice for the development of the law school. Vice President Wilson said that Provost Poser has offered to provide information and meet with USC to help facilitate the discussion. President Killeen said that the law school has prime real estate, is accredited, and has faculty in place. Professor Vincent, Chair of the UIC Senate Executive Committee, added that the school has no debt. USC members looked forward to receiving more information and decided to discuss the law school at its next meeting.

Professor Burbules provided an update on the proposed revisions to the Intellectual Property section of the General Rules. The senates did not approve the language. The concerns were mainly about the responsibilities of the VCRs and VPEDI. He felt that there should be some structure in place to determine who is at the table when decisions are made that affect the three universities.

There was a discussion of possible changes in the way the State University Civil Service handles academic professional positions. Vice President Wilson said that universities will still have exemption authority, but procedures might change.

Professor Francis discussed difficulties that the Urbana Senate’s University Statutes and Senate Procedures Committee, which has been working on statutory language concerning academic freedom, has had trying to get advice from Legal Counsel. The idea is to put forth language that will not be kicked back by Legal Counsel. Vice President Wilson indicated that she asked Legal to look at the language used by other institutions and try to come up with something they would be comfortable with. Their view is that they should not be advancing language that goes above the law. Ms. Clower added that the law is clear on academic freedom, so Legal Counsel is acting in the way it believes is best for the institution. Professor Tolliver noted that the Statutes indicate that once all three senates approve propose statutory revisions, they are to be transmitted to the Board.
III. Meeting with Chancellor Susan Koch and Associate Vice Chancellor Dungey

Chancellor Koch and Vice Chancellor Dungey met with USC during lunch. Chancellor Koch said that the Student Union cost $21M to build and has been certified LEED Gold. The “living” roof has 196,000 plants. The building, which has open areas, meeting rooms, and houses a Starbucks, was designed to help with student recruitment and retention.

Chancellor Koch discussed private lakefront property that UIS has acquired for a field station. The property includes 440 feet of lakeshore and the building has a multi-purpose room.

Chancellor Koch reported some of the successes of the athletic teams, specifically noting the accomplishments of the softball and baseball teams.

Vice Chancellor Dungey discussed Innovate Springfield, which will become the Discovery Partners Institute hub at UIS. The incubator will include business and social innovations.

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. |

Professor Burbules moved to approve the classification of senate minutes. Professor Francis seconded the motion. USC approved providing a notation to the UIC Senate item PR-18.29, to clarify that the title of the item is worded improperly (motion by Professor Maher, seconded by Professor Burbules). GR-46 for the UIC Senate (April 26) and for the UIUC Senate (April 30) were changed to from Class II to Class N. It was noted that ST-79 for the UIUC Senate (April 30) was an error so the item was removed. The proposed classifications as revised were approved by voice vote.
A. The following items were classified I by the University Senates Conference:

1. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April 2, 2018

   EP.18.28 Proposal to Establish the Master of Sustainable Urban Design as a Self-Supporting Program from the College of Fine and Applied Arts

   EP.18.40 Proposal to Revise the BALAS in Geography and Geographic Information Science (GIS) and Establish the BSLAS in GIS from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

   EP.18.42 Proposal to Revise the MA in Portuguese and Establish the concentration in Brazilian Studies within the MA in Portuguese from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

   EP.18.51 Proposal to Transfer and Revise the existing graduate degree program leading to an M.S. with a major in Plant Biotechnology with a Professional Sciences Master’s concentration, from the Department of Plant Biology, College of LAS into the Department of Crop Sciences, College of ACES

   EP.18.53 Proposal to establish the undergraduate minor in Musical Theatre from the College of Fine and Applied Arts

   EP.18.54 Proposal to transfer the Intensive English Institute from LAS to IIP from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and Illinois International Programs

   EP.18.55 Report of Administrative Approvals through March 12, 2018

   EP.18.56 Report of Administrative Approvals through March 26, 2018

2. University of Illinois at Chicago, April 26, 2018

   PR-18.19 Revision of the Master of Urban Planning and Policy, and Elimination of the Concentrations in Community Development, Economic Development, Environmental Planning and Policy, Globalization and International Planning, Spatial Planning and Design, and Urban Transportation

   PR-18.20 Revision of the Master of Public Health, Concentration in Biostatistics

   PR-18.21 Revision of the Master of Public Health, Concentration in Community Health Sciences; and Establishment of Four
Additional Secondary Concentrations – Population Health, Community-Based Research Methods, Community Health Interventions, and General Community Health Sciences

PR-18.22 Revision of the Master of Public Health, Concentration in Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences

PR-18.23 Revision of the Master of Public Health, Concentration in Industrial Hygiene

PR-18.24 Revision of the Master of Public Health, Concentration in Occupational Safety

PR-18.25 Revision of the Master of Public Health, Concentration in Water Quality and Health

PR-18.26 Establishment of the Concentration in Occupational and Environmental Medicine in the Master of Public Health

PR-18.27 Establishment of the Concentration in Public Health Emergency Preparedness in the Master of Public Health

PR-18.28 Revision of the Master of Public Health, Concentration in Health Policy and Administration

PR-18.29 Proposal to Establish the John Marshall Law School*

*Classification approved with the understanding that the item was mislabeled and is actually “Proposal to establish a school of law by acquiring The John Marshall Law School (JMLS)”

PR-18.30 Revision of the PhD in Microbiology and Immunology

PR-18.31 Eliminate the Concentration in Environmental and Occupational Health Policy in the Master of Public Health

PR-18.32 Revision of the Master of Public Health, Concentration in Public Health Informatics

PR-18.33 Establish the Concentration in Primary Care Mental Health in the Doctor of Nursing Practice

PR-18.34 Establish the City Design (CD) Course Subject/Rubric

PR-18.35 Establish the Master of City Design

PR-18.36 Revision of the Minor in Public Policy
PR-18.37 Establishment a Required First-Year Seminar in the College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs

PR-18.38 Revision of the BA in Public Policy

PR-18.39 Revision of the BA in Urban Studies

PR-18.40 Revision of the BA in Music Business

PR-18.41 Revision of the Common Requirements for All Transfer Students in the Bachelor of Science Degrees in the College of Business Administration

PR-18.42 Proposal to Revise the Bachelor of Business Administration

CP-18.05 Establishment of the Post-Baccalaureate Campus Certificate in Energy Efficient Building Design

CP-18.06 Establishment of the Post-Baccalaureate Campus Certificate in Power Generation

3. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April 30, 2018

EP.18.31 Proposal to Establish the Bachelor of Science in Information Sciences from the School of Information Sciences

EP.18.52 Proposal to establish a combined Bachelor of Science/Master of Science in Aerospace Engineering from the College of Engineering

EP.18.57 Establish a New Joint Degree Program for the MA in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and MS in Library and Information Science, School of Information Sciences

EP.18.58 Proposal from the College of Applied Health Sciences to rename and revise the MS in Public Health

EP.18.59 Proposal from the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences to revise the concentration requirements for six of the concentrations within the Bachelor of Science in Agricultural and Consumer Economics

EP.18.60 Proposal from the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences to revise the core major requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Agricultural and Consumer Economics
EP.18.61 Proposal from the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences to establish two concentrations, eliminate two existing concentrations, rename and revise one existing concentration, revise one existing concentration, and revise the core major requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences

EP.18.63 Proposal from the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research to Establish the Cancer Center as a Temporary Center

SP.18.09 Proposed Revision to the Constitution, Article III, Section 3 – to expand representation of Academic Professionals from seven to ten Senate seats (Second Reading; Action)

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

4. University of Illinois at Chicago, April 26, 2018

   Endorsed proposed revisions to the Policy on Conflict of Commitment and Interest and two new documents: Policy on Organizational Conflicts of Interest and Policy on Financial Conflicts of Interest in Research (USC OT-342)

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

5. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April 2, 2018

   SP.14.06 Proposed Revisions to the Statutes, Article XIII, Section 8 – to Authorize the University Senates Conference to Initiate Revisions to the Statutes

6. University of Illinois at Springfield, April 6, 2018

   Res. 47-22 Proposed Revisions to the Statutes, Article XIII, Section 8, to Authorize the President to Propose Amendments to the Statutes

7. University of Illinois at Chicago, April 26, 2018

   The motion to approve the proposed revisions to the Statutes, Article XIII, Section 8 – to authorize the University Senates Conference and the President to Initiate Revisions to the Statutes (USC-79) failed

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

8. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April 2, 2018
uNc,s EC.18.04 Proposed Revisions to the *Election Rules for the Faculty Electorate*

9. University of Illinois at Springfield, April 6, 2018

sNc,u Res. 47-21 Clarification of Procedures for Committee Recommendation Notifications to Campus Faculty

10. University of Illinois at Springfield, April 20, 2018

sNc,u Res. 47-20 Modification of Standards for Promotion to Professor

Res. 47-23 Modification of Campus Level Personnel Committee Membership

Res. 47-24 Modification of Role of Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs on Campus Personnel Committees

Res. 47-25 Modification of Personnel Committee Operating Procedures

11. University of Illinois at Chicago, April 26, 2018

cNs,u Endorsed the Instructional Faculty Qualifications Policy

The UIC Senate provided advice regarding the proposed revisions to the *General Rules* (USC GR-46)

12. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April 30, 2018

uNc,u SP.18.13 Proposed Revision to the *General Rules*, Article III – Intellectual Property

SC.18.10 2018-2019 Senate and Senate Executive Committee (SEC) Meeting Schedule

SP.18.11 Revision to the Bylaws, Part D.11 – Senate Committee on Faculty and Academic Staff Benefits

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
V. **New Business**

1. **OT-344. Proposed Revision to the University Senates Conference Bylaws, 4.3.1 – Chair of the Nominating Committee.**

Professor Burbules commented that, in general, it is good to have more experienced people on the Nominating Committee. However, sometimes those people are rotating off of USC. In addition, it is desirable to have continuing members be a part of the process that determines the future leadership of USC. To balance this, the Statutes and Governance Committee recommends that at least one member should be a continuing member but the chair does not have to be. Professor Burbules read the amendment to the proposed revision. The recommendation from the SGC was approved by voice vote.

VI. **Old Business - Action Items**


Professor Burbules commented that this is the proposed revision that would allow the USC and the president to initiate statutory revisions. He reminded the group that USC attempted to reconcile the language, but the UIC Senate does not approve of the change. Since two of the three senates have approved the language, the Statutes and Governance Committee recommends that the proposed revision be moved forward. Professor Rao commented that the UIC Senate feels like there is already a process in place for the president to propose revisions to the Statutes. A concern was raised about bypassing the advice of one of the senates. Professor Burbules felt that there was sufficient due process and the Statutes permit items to move forward where one senate does not agree. Professor De Groote said that the UIC Senate realized that the language can still move forward. Professor Tolliver added that the UIC Senate is permitted to send its own advice. Professor Rao said that background information should be provided. The recommendation from the SGC to move ST-79 forward was approved by voice vote.

Professor Burbules said that two senates voted down the language and the UIS Senate did not act on the item. Concerns seem to primarily evolve around the issue of the division of responsibilities between the VCRs and the VPEDI. He said that the Statutes and Governance Committee recommends that the Chair of USC recommend to the president that he convene a working group of the VPEDI and the three VCRs to discuss the following issues: 1) the allocation of funds and who determines it, and 2) the possibility of revitalizing the Intellectual Property Committee. He commented that the language from the UIC Senate concerning the allocation of funds seems like a good idea. Professor Rao liked the proposal from the SGC, but also recommended that one SGC from each university be a part of this working group. Professor Rao also thought it would be good to look at the history of the roles of the VCRs and the Vice President.


Professor Novak reported that all three senates have endorsed the language and the UIUC Senate provided comments. In addition the Academic Affairs and Research committee has written recommendations. She recommended that all of the advice be transmitted to Executive Vice President Wilson. Professor Maher moved to send all of the comments to Vice President Wilson. The motion was seconded. Professor Rao thanked Professor Novak and her committee for the background work on the document. She asked if there were any comments.

Professor Miller asked about the UIUC Senate document, which indicates that there are two suggestions. She said that the first item provides a suggestion and the others are comments. Professor Tolliver said that the senate committee recommends that due consideration be given to some of the gaps in the policy. Professor Rao suggested that the cover letter include clarification of items 2-5. The motion was approved by voice vote with two abstentions.

VII. Remarks from the USC Chair

Professor Rao provided an update on the search for a Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. She also commented on her monthly meeting with President Killeen.

VIII. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

5. Reports from USC Committee Chairs:

- Academic Affairs and Research Committee
  Kathy Novak, Chair
- Finance, Budget and Benefits Committee
  Harley Johnson, Chair
- Hospital and Health Affairs Committee
- Statutes and Governance Committee
  Nick Burbules, Chair
AARC: Professor DeBerry-Spence led a discussion on DPI courses. She said that the correct language needs to be used since DPI itself will not actually be offering classes. Also, classes should be available to students at all three universities. Professor Karri confirmed that classes will not be offered by the institute, but any student within the University system can take the courses. Professor Johnson said that current rules do not allow students to take courses from another campus. Professor DeBerry-Spence felt that processes should be in place before precedents are set. She also expressed concern with system funds being used for a course for only one of the universities. The group discussed how to move forward and come up with the following suggestions: 1) ask Vice President Wilson to work with USC and develop a draft process for course proposals, 2) have a few USC members sit down with the DPI Academic Executive Committee to talk about the articulation process and course proposals, 3) think about how educational policies at the three universities would be involved, and 4) figure out the proper use of system funds.

FBBC: Professor Johnson discussed the presentation that the committee would be giving at the next Board meeting.

HHAC: Professor Rao said that the committee discussed whether this committee should continue and decided that it should. The group also discussed topics to pursue.


Professor Rao said that the committee members are Professor Novak, Chair; Professor De Groote; and Professor Francis.


Professor Rao indicated that there is nothing to discuss at this time.

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

Professor Rao commented that Professor Johnson had already reported on this item.


The group discussed how to proceed with the impasse on this item.

Professor Rao said that there was no new information.


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

Professor Rao said that there is nothing to discuss yet.

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

Professor Rao said that some issues have been addressed. It was noted that some recommendations are effected by pending proposed changes to the Statutes.

14. OT-340. Search for a Vice President/Chief Financial Officer.

Professor Rao commented on this during the remarks from the USC Chair.

15. OT-343. Proposed Revision to the University Senates Conference Bylaws, Section 3, 3.5 – Term Limits. Approved by USC 2/21/18.

Professor Rao noted that this was approved at the February meeting.


The Conference discussed guests to invite.

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

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18. Campus Updates.
Professor Francis said that there was a robust discussion of the Chief at the last senate meeting of the academic year. The Senate Vice Chair for next year will be an undergraduate student. Professor Maher discussed a parliamentary challenge from the floor that came up during the meeting.

Professor Vincent commented that the last senate meeting was very busy, but felt like real shared governance. Also, the UIC Senate has a new website.

Professor Karri said that the senate considered some personnel policies and an item that removed the student participant from the tenure promotions committee. Senate elections will be the next day.

19. OT-142. Updates on External Committees: Enrollment Management Policy Council (Novak); President’s Executive Leadership Program (Johnson); Vice President for Academic Affairs Faculty Advisory Committee (DeBerry-Spence, Novak, Tolliver); Vice President for Economic Development and Innovation Faculty Advisory Committee (TBD).

ERMT: Professor Novak said that the last meeting was cancelled.

PELP: Professor Johnson said that there will be one more session in a couple of weeks that will be held at Urbana.

VPAA FAC: Professor Tolliver said that the meeting format is different this year. There are more meetings but each meeting is shorter.

IV. Adjournment

Professor Karri moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Professor Maher and approved by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.