

MINUTES¹
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE

DATE: Friday, January 27, 2006

PLACE: Room 206 Student Center West, UIC

PRESENT: Bodenhorn, Finnerty, Ford, Grossman, B. Jones, W. Jones, Kagan, E. Kaufman (Chair), L. Kaufman, Langley (Secretary), Mallory, Scheff, Tolliver, Weller, Wheeler

ABSENT: Anderson, Chambers, Fossum, Massat, Schacht

GUESTS: Devon Bruce, Chester Gardner, B. Joseph White

Professor Elliot Kaufman, Chair, called the University Senates Conference to order at 9:00 a.m.

I. Review of Agenda

Professor E. Kaufman reviewed the day's agenda. The Conference then discussed the conversations that took place with the guests during the dinner the evening before. Conference members felt that it had been productive to meet with Ms. Judy Erwin, Senator Rickey Hendon, and Senator Edward Maloney. Professor E. Kaufman said that the next dinner with invited legislators would be in April at UIS.

II. New Business

1. GR-39. Proposed Revisions to *The General Rules*, Article V, Section 4 – Naming of University Facilities and Programs. Transmitted to Senates 1/9/06.

Professor E. Kaufman said that the proposed revisions to *The General Rules* are in anticipation of the upcoming fundraising campaign. The existing provisions are viewed as too restrictive. Professor E. Kaufman told the Conference that Mr. Thomas Bearrows had sent him a letter, on behalf of President White, requesting comments on the proposed amendment. Professor E. Kaufman said that he sent the proposed revisions to the three senate executive committees for their advice. The new language broadens the list of what can be named, such as rooms, plaques, and programs. President White plans to take the item to the next Board meeting.

Professor Finnerty questioned whether naming rights would have a sunset or go on forever, and asked if there were provisions in place to guide this. Professor E. Kaufman said that there should be some specific process in place for naming buildings, and

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indicated that details would need to be modified to fit with the new provisions. Professor Langley asked whether the faculty would have a say in the naming of programs. She expressed concern with corporate naming of programs. Professor Kagan remarked that the American Library Association has developed a set of guidelines. He said that concerns with naming rights seem to be a widespread issue and perhaps there should also be a separate guidelines document. Professor Grossman referred to a message sent to him by Professor Linda Beale, Chair of the UIUC Senate University *Statutes* and Senate Procedures committee, which suggests adding a subsection to address the concern that the relationship between the donor, whether an individual or a corporation, and the academic program should not influence the direction of scholarship, research, or curriculum of the academic program.

Professor E. Kaufman summarized the discussion, saying that the Conference believes there should be guidelines in place to address such issues as the timeline of the naming rights, right to revoke a naming, preventing conflict of interest, and ensuring academic freedom. He emphasized that the main concern seems to be the corporate naming of academic programs. The Conference decided to discuss its concerns with the President during the Executive Session.

III. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of November 17, 2005

The minutes were approved as distributed.

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 <i>University of Illinois Statutes</i> . 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.

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

1. University of Illinois at Chicago, December 1, 2005

- PR-06.20 Revision of the Master of Healthcare Administration Degree Program
- PR-06.21 Revision of the M. A. in Communication
- PR-06.22 Revision of the M.S. in Forensic Science
- PR-06.23 Revision of the M.S. in the Teaching of Mathematics
- PR-06.25 Revision of the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art Education
- PR-06.26 Revision of the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio Arts
- PR-06.27 Revision of the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design
- PR-06.28 Revision of the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Industrial Design
- PR-06.29 Revision of the Minor in Jewish Studies
- EP-06.02 Revised Standards for TOEFL

2. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, December 5, 2005

- EP.06.05 Revision and Increase in Hours of the B.S. Degree in Materials Science and Engineering
- EP.06.06 Revision to the Undergraduate Curriculum in Sculpture, School of Art and Design, FAA
- EP.06.10 Addition of a Concentration in Biomolecular Engineering within the B.S. in Chemical Engineering
- EP.06.11 Addition of an Honors Option to the Integrative Biology Major, College of LAS
- EP.06.14 Revised Curriculum for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Engineering in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
- EP.06.15 Revised Curriculum for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

3. University of Illinois at Chicago, January 26, 2006

- PR-06.13 Establish the Center for Structural Biology as a Permanent Research Unit of UIC
- PR-06.24 Eliminate the B.S. and M.S. in Medical Laboratory Sciences
- PR-06.30 Establish the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Communication
- PR-06.31 Revision of the Master of Architecture Program
- PR-06.32 Revision of the Master of Social Work Program
- PR-06.33 Revision of the Bachelor of Science in Finance: Establishment of a Concentration in Risk Management and Insurance
- PR-06.34 Revision of the Bachelor of Science in Movement Sciences and Minor in Movement Sciences
- EP-06.03 Establish Definitions and Policies on Joint Degree Programs
- CP-06.01 Establish the Bioinformatics Campus Certificate (Revised)
- CP-06.02 Establish Assistive Technology Campus Certificate

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

4. University of Illinois at Springfield, January 20, 2006

- R35-7 Revisions to *The General Rules*, Article III, Section 7 (USC GR-38)

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

5. University of Illinois at Chicago, December 1, 2005

Proposed Revisions to the *Statutes*, Article IX, Section 11
(USC ST-62)

Proposed Revisions to the *Statutes*, Article II, Section 2.a. (2)
(USC ST-63)

6. University of Illinois at Springfield, January 20, 2006

- R35-6 Revisions to the University *Statutes* to Change the Beginning Date for Terms of University Senates Conference Members

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

7. University of Illinois at Springfield, January 20, 2006

sNc,u	R35-5	Revisions to Article 10 (<i>Faculty Personnel Policies</i>) for Clinical/Research Faculty Appointments
sNc,u	R35-10	Resolution on Fair Trade Coffee – SGA Resolution

Explanation of File Numbers

ST - University of Illinois *Statutes*

GR - *The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*

BG - University Administration Budget and Benefits Study Committee

NC - Nominating Committee

OT - All other items

V. Old Business – Action Items

2. ST-61. Proposed Revisions to the Statutes, Article XIII, Section 8.a. – General Provisions, Amendments. Passed UIUC Senate 4/25/05. Transmitted to Senates 8/18/05. Passed UIS Senate 9/23/05. Passed UIC Senate 10/27/05.

Professor E. Kaufman reported that all three senates have approved identical language, therefore, the proposed statutory change should be transmitted to the President. He asked if there were any comments or concerns. Professor Grossman pointed out a typographical error in the document. There should be a space between the words “agree” and “upon” in Line 18. By voice vote, the Conference approved transmitting the document to the President.

3. OT-226. Permissible Use Policy.

Professor E. Kaufman reminded the Conference that Vice President Gardner brought the Reporting of Fraudulent Activities document to the Conference for review last spring. The Conference felt that there were inconsistencies with this policy and other University and campus policies. The UIUC Senate General University Policy Committee, led by Professor Schacht, examined the various policies. Professor Schacht submitted a document to the Conference that outlines suggested changes to existing University policies concerning fraudulent activities and permissible use of University property. The Conference decided to transmit the document to Vice President Gardner.

VI. Executive Session

(Text suppressed due to confidential nature of material discussed.)

VII. Guest

Trustee Devon Bruce was asked his opinion on naming rights. He commented that many institutions are selling naming rights for facilities and programs for huge sums of money. He added that, while we should not preclude ourselves from selling naming rights, caution must be used.

Trustee Bruce said that increasing tuition looks like the easiest way to increase our revenue since the University is receiving a smaller piece of the state pie. However, the University has to be careful when it raises tuition so that the burden is not shifted to the backs of our students who have to take out more loans.

The Conference asked Trustee Bruce his opinion of the faculty having seat with voice, but without vote, at the Board table. He responded that the Illinois Legislature created the Board of Trustees through the State's statutes. The Board does not have the authority to change the composition of the Board. Professor Wheeler noted that the faculty bring in about 40% of the University's budget. Professor E. Kaufman mentioned that there are already other people at the table, such as the chancellors and provosts. He added that it would be beneficial to have faculty viewpoint at the table.

Trustee Bruce said that the Chief Illiniwek issue needs to be resolved by the Board working together to come up with a compromise.

Trustee Bruce commented on the rehiring of retired University employees. He said that there are instances when it is beneficial for an employee to come back for a specific purpose. The abuse is when an employee comes back to do the very same job.

Professor Kaufman thanked Trustee Bruce for meeting with the Conference.

(V.) Old Business – Action Items (continued)

4. OT-167. Faculty Representation to the Board of Trustees. UIUC Resolution 9/27/99. UIS Resolution 11/5/99. UIC resolution 12/2/99. USC Resolution to Senates 2/3/00. Endorsed by UIS 2/18/00. Endorsed by UIC 3/9/00. Endorsed by UIUC 4/24/00. Transmitted to the President 6/30/00. Transmitted to the Board 7/6/00. Letter from Trustee Eppley institutionalizing process for meetings with Chair of BoT Academic Affairs Committee and senate observers 12/1/04.

Professor E. Kaufman said that he revised the draft resolution based on recommendations made at the November meeting and suggestions made since the meeting. In the second

“Whereas,” the Conference thought that there should not be a percentage given to indicate an amount of revenue that the faculty bring in. Someone recommended that “assure” be changed to “ensure” in the third “Whereas.” The Conference agreed that the fifth “Whereas” should be removed. Professor Langley pointed out that the legislative statutes do not preclude faculty from sitting at the Board table and having a voice along with senior administrators. She suggested that this could be made into a new “Whereas.” Professor Grossman recommended including in the resolution that there have been other resolutions approved by the Conference and the senates that have asked for a seat at the Board table. Professor E. Kaufman reviewed the rest of the draft resolution. There were no other suggested revisions. The Conference agreed that the resolution should be revised and circulated via e-mail.

(II.) New Business (continued)

5. ST-65. Proposed Revisions to the *Statutes*, Article II, Section 2.a. (4) and (5), change the title of USC Secretary to USC Vice Chair.

Professor E. Kaufman said that the proposed revision is to change the term Secretary of the Conference to Vice Chair. He mentioned that the *Statutes* empower only the senates, president, and Board of Trustees to propose statutory changes, even though the Conference has often initiated changes. He suggested that, sometime in the future, the Conference might recommend statutory language that would permit the Conference to propose changes to the *Statutes*. The Conference approved sending the statutory language to the senates for their consideration.

6. OT-228. Policy on Retirement and Reemployment at the University of Illinois.

Professor E. Kaufman reported that he informally sent the draft policy to the senate chairs. He asked the Conference members to send any comments they might have via e-mail.

7. Designation of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Date to be determined

Professor Joseph Finnerty

VIII. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

8. OT-227. The Global Campus.

Professor Langley commented that she does not believe there are enough faculty members on the Global Campus steering committee. The Conference approved a resolution to request that additional faculty be added to the steering committee, specifically the three senate leaders or their designees. Professor E. Kaufman suggested that the Conference send recommendations regarding the Global Campus to Vice President Gardner. He noted that he is on the steering committee and the academic affairs subcommittee.

9. ST-54. Proposed Revisions to the *Statutes*, Article IX, Section 10 – Nonreappointment of Academic Professional Staff. Passed UIUC Senate 3/19/01. Transmitted to Senates 5/18/01. Passed UIC Senate 9/28/01. Passed UIS Senate 11/30/01. Transmitted to President 2/14/02.

The Conference decided to move this item to the pending agenda.

10. ST-47. Proposed Revisions to the *Statutes*, Articles IX and X, to provide optional multi-year contracts, and related dismissal procedures, for certain academic staff. Passed UIC Senate 10/27/99. Rejected UIS Senate 3/3/00. Multi-Year Contracts Task Force Charged 4/11/02. Request to Senates to Consider MYC Issues 2/13/04. Passed UIUC Senate 2/14/05. Passed UIC Senate 4/28/05. Passed UIS Senate 5/6/05. Transmitted Reconciled Language to Senates 1/10/06.

Professor E. Kaufman noted that the language approved by the UIC Senate had been sent to the UIS and UIUC Senates for approval.

11. OT-213. Five-Year Review of the Position of Vice President for Technology and Economic Development.

Professor E. Kaufman said that the review committee would be contacting people to talk with.

12. OT-123. Discussion of University Senates Conference guests.

The Conference discussed possible guests to invite to future meetings.

13. Campus Updates.

Professor Langley said that the UIS Chancellor has been in the position for five years. She asked what processes the other campuses have for evaluating their chancellors. Professor Grossman said that the UIUC Senate Executive Committee has a discussion with the President each year. Professor Grossman reported that the new Provost at UIUC will be Linda Katehi. He also reported that Sarah Mangelsdorf, Acting Dean of LAS, had been permanently appointed to the position.

14. OT-142. Update on the Management Teams: Academic Affairs; Business Administration and Human Resources; External Relations; Governmental Relations; Technology and Economic Development; University Technology.

AAMT	January 5, 2006	Professors Grossman, E. Kaufman, Langley
BAHRMT	November 9, 2005	Professor Tolliver
UTMT	December 8, 2005	Professor E. Kaufman

15. Report of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

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Professor William Jones

16. Review of Pending Items on the Agenda Addendum.

No new information about the pending items.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

Pending USC Items
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ST-62. Proposed Revisions to the *Statutes*, Article IX, Section 11 – to clarify employment policies applicable to Academic Professional Employees at the University Administration level. Passed UIUC Senate 9/19/05. Transmitted to Senates 10/11/05. Passed UIC Senate 12/1/05.

ST-63. Proposed Revisions to the *Statutes*, Articles II, Section 2.a. (2), change the beginning date for which terms of members begin. Transmitted to Senates 10/11/05. Passed UIC Senate 12/1/05. Passed UIS Senate 1/20/06.

GR-38. Proposed Revision to *The General Rules*, Article III, Section 7 (j). Passed UIUC Senate 4/25/05. Transmitted to Senates 4/27/05. Passed UIS Senate 1/20/06.

BG-17. 2005-06 University Administration Budget and Benefits Study Committee.

OT-157. Chief Illiniwek. UIUC Senate Resolution Passed 3/9/98; UIS Senate Resolution Passed 4/3/98; Resolutions (without USC endorsement) transmitted to the President 7/10/98; Trustee Plummer report to BoT 3/14/02; UIS Senate Resolution Passed 2/13/04; UIUC Senate Resolution Passed 2/16/04; UIUC Senate Resolution Passed by USC 2/20/04; Resolution transmitted to BoT Secretary 3/3/04. BoT Consensus Resolution Concerning Chief Illiniwek 6/17/04. BoT Policy to Preserve and Recognize the State's American Indian Heritage 9/9/04. BoT Resolution Concerning Guidelines for Consensus Regarding Chief Illiniwek 7/14/05. BoT Resolution to Add Eighth Guideline for Consensus Process 9/8/05.

OT-161. Non-Tenure-Track Academic Staff Appointments.

OT-185. Senate Resolutions on Benefits for Domestic Partners. Passed UIUC Senate 4/23/01; Passed UIS Senate 9/14/01. Letter of reaffirmation of USC support transmitted to the President 11/14/01. Benefits approved by the Board of Trustees 7/17/03.

OT-192. Update on the UI-Integrate Steering Committee and Faculty Advisory Committee.

OT-201. University-wide Human Resources Committee.

OT-202. Review of the *University Senates Conference Organization and Functions*.

OT-208. E-Mail Security Policy.

OT-210. Tuition and Fees Executive Committee.

OT-211. Process for Selecting Board of Trustees Members.

OT-214. Flexible Tenure.

OT-215. Discussion of University-Wide Committee to Address Issues Relating to Administrative Computing System.

OT-217. Strategic Planning Process for the University (formerly President's Summit on Strategic Leadership).

OT-218. Proposed Guidelines for Multi-Institutional Degrees. Transmitted to Senates 11/10/05.

OT-220. USC Retreat 2005.

OT-221. Review of the Strategic Plan of the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

OT-222. Strategic Plans of the Campuses, the Alumni Association, and the University of Illinois Foundation.

OT-223. Annual Review of the Vice Presidents (2004-05).