

MINUTES<sup>1</sup>  
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE

DATE: Friday, February 20, 2004

PLACE: Room 206, Chicago Illini Union

PRESENT: Bodenhorn, Finnerty, Ford, Grossman (Secretary), Gupta, Herricks, W. Jones, Kaufman, Langley (Chair), Massat, O'Brien, Schacht, Strom, Weller, White, Wood, Yu

ABSENT: Chambers, B. Jones, Sisson

GUESTS: Frances Carroll, Chester Gardner, James Stukel

Professor Langley, Chair, called the University Senates Conference to order at 10:00 a.m.

I. Executive Session

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

II. Guest

Dr. Frances Carroll, member of the U of I Board of Trustees, told the Conference that she has enjoyed being a part of the University of Illinois since her appointment began in May 2003. The past ten years she has been principal of an alternative school in Cook County. She has been a teacher and administrator in Chicago public schools and has taught at universities in the Chicago area. She started the Carroll Family Foundation, which provides scholarships.

Dr. Carroll commented that she was aware of the Chief Illiniwek issue prior to her joining the Board. After becoming more orientated to the issue, she felt that it was time to retire the Chief, as did other members of the Board. The issue has taken very much time away from other important University matters and has caused much damage to the Urbana campus. Conference members told of incidents where faculty and graduate students have chosen not to come to the U of I because of Chief Illiniwek. The Conference told Dr. Carroll that the 1998 UIUC Senate resolution to retire the Chief would be sent to the Board office for distribution to the trustees, since the resolution precedes many of the trustees' terms. Dr. Carroll acknowledged that the forthcoming departures of the President and the UIUC Chancellor might reprioritize the timing of the Chief issue.

Dr. Carroll believes that there should be shared governance in conducting searches. Faculty

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<sup>1</sup>Subject to approval at the University Senates Conference meeting of March 30, 2004

should be involved in the process and in the selection. Conference members shared their view that an academic president is needed.

The Conference informed Dr. Carroll that the faculty, through the senates and the Senates Conference, has tried to get a voice without vote at the Board table for some time now. Faculty would also like to have representation, such as a liaison, on the Board's Academic Affairs Committee. Dr. Carroll did not realize that there were no faculty members on the Academic Affairs Committee and said that she would look into it.

The members of the Conference thanked Dr. Carroll for meeting with them.

### III. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of January 23, 2004

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 Springfield, January 30, 2004

I      01/30/04              R33-9, Renaming the Institute for Legal, Administrative and Policy Studies

2. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, February 16, 2004

- I 02/16/04 EP.04.15, Proposal to Change the Title of B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. Degrees, Aerospace Engineering
- I 02/16/04 EP.04.16, Revision in the Cinema Studies Option of the LAS Interdisciplinary Major
- I 02/16/04 EP.04.17, Revision of the Engineering Physics Curriculum
- I 02/16/04 EP.04.18, Proposal to Transfer the Department of Economics to LAS from the College of Bus.
- I 02/16/04 EP.04.19, Revision of the Undergraduate Curriculum in Early Childhood Education
- I 02/16/04 EP.04.20, Creation of Four Areas of Concentration within the Bachelor of Fine Arts Theatre Degree
- I 02/16/04 EP.04.21, Formalization of Three Areas of Concentration within the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Crafts
- I 02/16/04 EP.04.22, Creation of Three Concentrations within B.M.E.

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

3. University of Illinois at Springfield, January 30, 2004

- II 01/30/04 R33-10, Resolution Concerning University Administrative Searches

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

4. University of Illinois at Springfield, February 13, 2004

- sNc,u 02/13/04 R33-7, Clarification of Faculty Personnel Policies on Promotion
- sNc,u 02/13/04 R33-12, Resolution Regarding Chief Illiniwek
- sNc,u 02/13/04 R33-13, Approval of Award Honorary Degree

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

1. OT-205. Presidential Search.

Professor Langley said that she and Professors Grossman and Strom had been discussing with Trustee Eppley the proposed composition of the Consultative Committee to Assist in the Selection of a President. The end result will be a committee with fewer faculty and more alumni members than the Conference recommended.

The Conference caucused by campus to discuss the faculty nominees recommended by the senates to serve on the consultative committee. Each group determined a recommended list and an alternate list of names for the faculty positions from their own campuses, which came to a total of sixteen names for eight positions. Each group also recommended one person who would be qualified to serve as chair or vice-chair of the committee.

Professor Langley said that it would be crucial for the consultative committee to determine the appropriate criteria for the presidential position, adding that faculty would need to have a strong voice.

VI. New Business

2. Designation of Future Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

University of Illinois at Chicago  
Thursday, April 15, 2004

Professor Strom

VII. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

3. OT-200. Committee Nominations and Procedures.

This item was removed from the agenda.

4. OT-89. Evaluation of Ability to Work. Passed UIUC Senate 2/24/97. Passed UIC Senate 4/23/98. Passed UIS Senate 9/24/99. Transmitted to Senates 10/8/02. Passed UIS Senate 10/18/02. Passed UIC Senate 12/5/02. Passed UIUC Senate 7/7/03. Transmitted to the President 8/29/03. Revisions approved by USC 1/23/04.

The Conference reviewed a revised document in which changes were based on recommendations approved at the January USC meeting. Some Conference members felt that they had not had enough time to consider the changes and suggested that the group have until the next Friday to make comments. The Conference agreed. The Conference

then decided that, after the given time, the final document will be sent to the senates for consideration with the request that a response be made before the end of the semester. The document will then be sent to the President.

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

The Conference discussed possible guests to invite to future meetings.

6. Campus Updates.

Professor Jones reported that UIC has hired a University Librarian who will begin July 1. Professor Grossman commented on two resolutions that the UIUC Senate approved; one in recognition of Chancellor Cantor, and the other to retire the Chief.

7. OT-157. Chief Illiniwek.

The Conference approved the recent UIUC Resolution to Retire Chief Illiniwek and decided to forward it, along with the 1998 UIUC Senate resolution, to the Board of Trustees.

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

Reports:

AAMT	February 11, 2004 February 18, 2004	Professors Grossman, Langley, and Strom
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BAHRMT	February 19, 2004	Professor Yu
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9. Report of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

University of Illinois at Chicago  
Thursday, February 19, 2004

Professor Strom

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

FAC February 5, 2004

Professor O'Brien

11. Designation of Future Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
Thursday, March 11, 2004

Professor B. Jones

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Pending USC Items  
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ST-47. Proposed Revisions to the *Statutes* -- Multi-Year Contracts for Full-Time Non-Tenured Faculty. Passed UIC Senate 10/27/99. Rejected UIS Senate 3/3/00. Multi-Year Contracts Task Force Charged 4/11/02. Transmitted to Senates 2/13/04.

ST-54. Amendment 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 the President 2/14/02.

ST-57. Proposed Revisions to the *Statutes*, Article II, Section 5 – Professional Advisory Committee. Passed UIUC Senate 9/30/02. Transmitted to Senates 11/15/02. Passed UIC Senate 3/27/03.

ST-58. Review of the *Statutes*, Article II, Section 5 – Faculty Advisory Committee. Transmitted to Senates 2/13/04.

BG-10.a. Proposed Supplemental Retirement Option. Passed UIUC Senate 4/19/99. Passed UIC Senate 1/27/00. Passed UIS Senate 2/18/00.

BG-10c. Resolution on Faculty Salary and Benefits. Passed UIUC Senate 5/1/00. Passed UIS Senate 6/16/00. Passed UIC Senate 9/28/00. USC Resolution Transmitted to the President 1/11/01.

BG-14. 2003-04 University Administration Budget and Benefits Study Committee.

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

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.

OT-184. Committee on Vice Presidential Search Procedures, Processes for Commenting on the Reappointment of University Officers and (formerly OT-176) Periodic Vice President-Level Reviews. Periodic Vice President-Level Reviews approved by USC 11/28/00; Transmitted to the President 1/19/01. Recommended Principles to be Used in Searches for Major Administrative Positions transmitted to the President 11/14/01; President transmitted to Board of Trustees 11/27/01.

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-187. UI-Integrate/Support Services Strategy (S3) Related Issues.

OT-191. Severe Sanctions Less Than Dismissal -- Follow-up and Senate Procedures.  
Implementation Passed UIUC Senate 4/28/03. Implementation Passed UIS Senate 10/24/03.

OT-193. Interim Information Security Policy. Transmitted to Senates 11/15/02. Passed  
UIUC Senate 4/28/03 (modified). Passed UIS Senate 10/10/03 (modified).

OT-198. USC Retreat 2003.

OT-201. University-wide Human Resources Committee.

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

OT-203. Lincoln Programs at UIS.

OT-204. State Ethics Legislation.