

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

DATE: Wednesday, April 23, 2003

PLACE: Room C, Public Affairs Center, UIS

PRESENT: Chambers, Conry, Ford, Fossum, Grossman, Gupta, Herricks, Jones, Kaufman, Langley (Secretary), Marshall, O'Brien, Rich, Sisson, Strom (Chair), White, Wood, Yu

ABSENT: Bodenhorn, Weller

GUESTS: Vince Demuzio, Chester Gardner, James Stukel

Professor Strom, Chair, called the University Senates Conference to order at 9:55 a.m. The group rearranged the agenda to cover some business items before the President arrived.

I. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of March 18, 2003

The minutes were approved as distributed.

II. 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.

<sup>1</sup>Subject to approval at the University Senates Conference meeting of May 20, 2003

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

1. University of Illinois at Chicago, March 27, 2003

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| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.18, Revision of the M.Ed. in Instructional Leadership: Early Childhood Education   |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.19, Establishment of a Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Concentration in the M.S. in Nursing Program                                 |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.20, Establishment of an Adult Nurse Practitioner and Adult/Geriatric Nurse Practitioner Concentration in the M.S. in Nursing Program |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.21, Revision of Several Concentrations in the M.S. in Nursing Program  |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.22, Revision of the B.S. in Bioengineering   |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.23, Revision of the B.S. in Computer Science and the Computer Systems Option   |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.24, Revision of the B.S. in Human Nutrition  |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.25, Revision of the B.S. in Kinesiology Program  |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.26, Revision of the Bachelor of Arts in the Teaching of Spanish  |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.27, Revision of the Bachelor of Arts in the Teaching of French   |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.28, Revision of the Bachelor of Arts in the Teaching of German   |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.29, Revision of the Bachelor of Science in the Teaching of Mathematics   |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.30, Revision of the Bachelor of Arts in the Teaching of History  |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.31, Revision of the Minor in Religious Studies   |
| I | 03/27/03 | PR-03.32, Establishment of the Joint PharmD/MBA Program  |

2. University of Illinois at Springfield, April 11, 2003

I 04/11/03 R32-23, Resolution to Create an M.S. in Environmental Science

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

3. University of Illinois at Chicago, March 27, 2003

cNs,u 03/27/03 University *Statutes*, Article II, Section 5  
Professional Advisory Committee (endorsed UIUC Senate Action)

cNs,u 03/27/03 University *Policy* – Interim Information Security Policy (received  
for information)

4. University of Illinois at Springfield, March 28, 2003

sNc,u 03/28/03 R32-20, Resolution Regarding Copyright and the Fair Use of  
Intellectual Property

sNc,u 03/28/03 R32-21, Resolution Regarding Course Numbering

5. University of Illinois at Springfield, April 11, 2003

sNc,u 04/11/03 R32-19, Lower the Admission Hours to 30 Hours for the Lower  
Division

sNc,u 04/11/03 R32-22, Resolution to Establish the Committee on Diversity, Equal  
Rights, Opportunity and Access

sNc,u 04/11/03 R32-24, Resolution to Exempt Accounting and Economics from  
University Bill 12-3 (Which limits the number of hours for majors  
to 36)

sNc,u 04/11/03 R32-25, Resolution to Endorse the IBHE-FAC Proposal for Addition  
of a Seventh Goal for The Illinois Commitment

III. Executive Session

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

IV. Guest – Senator Vince Demuzio

Senator Demuzio has been in the State Senate for 29 years and is the only Democratic Senator to have previously served under a Democratic governor. He discussed the enormous challenge of balancing the budget, given that the State is facing a \$5B deficit, and doing it without a tax increase.

Members of the Conference expressed concern that the state's administration seems to be targeting higher education with negative rhetoric and excessive cuts. Senator Demuzio replied that he believes the state has few places to turn to for cuts and many do not realize the seriousness of the impact deep cuts will have on higher education.

Senator Demuzio suggested ways to help the university community get its message through to Springfield.

Professor Strom thanked Senator Demuzio for meeting with the Conference.

### 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

No action items.

#### VI. New Business

1. NC-9. Nominating Committee for 2003-04 Officers and Executive Committee.

Professors Ford, Kaufman, and Yu were appointed to serve on the Nominating Committee.

#### VII. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

2. OT-161. Non-Tenure-Track Faculty Appointments.

Professor Marshall said that the report from the subcommittee was being revised.

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

The Conference discussed possible guests to invite to future meetings.

4. OT-142. Update on the Management Teams: Academic Affairs; Business Administration and Human Resources; Economic Development and Corporate Relations; Governmental Relations.

## Reports:

AAMT	April 9, 2003	Professors Conry, Langley, and Strom
BAHRMT	April 10, 2003	Professor Yu

## 5. Designation of Future Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
 Wednesday and Thursday, May 14-15, 2003

Professor Conry

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

Professor Rich reported on the UI-Integrate Steering Committee. He regularly emphasizes during the meetings that technology has to be a tool to implement policy, not drive policy. The student-related issues are extraordinarily important. He said that it was not clear to him that the one-size-fits all issue works well for any of the campuses. He added that security issues are of the most concern. Professor Fossum, member of the UI-Integrate Faculty Advisory Committee, said that he has not heard any good reports about the training sessions.

## 7. OT-197. Resolution on Salary Increases for FY04.

Professor Langley said that it had been some time since the Conference discussed where it stood on the issue of salary increases. The group discussed what they had heard from the campuses and thought that it would be good to have some uniformity. Professor Strom suggested that a motion be made in the form of a resolution stating the Conference's position on salary increases. Professor Chambers thought that it would be important to support salary increases for both faculty and staff. Professor Langley made a statement in agreement. Professor Chambers made a motion that the University Senates Conference wishes to re-endorse its support of the principle as an unavoidable of a meaningful faculty and staff salary increase for FY04. Professor Jones suggested that "wishes to re-endorse" be changed to "re-endorses". Professor Kaufman suggested adding "The Conference believes it is important to recognize the meritorious contributions of all constituencies to the quality of the University." Both suggestions were approved. The Conference approved the motion with the understanding that the resolution would be distributed to all of the Conference via electronic mail for additional suggestions since several Conference members had to leave the meeting early.

## 8. Campus Updates.

Professor Langley discussed the statutory language concerning the Faculty Advisory Committee and said she believes that FAC has the potential of undermining governance. She wondered why the committee exists. UIUC members of the Conference said that the FAC at Urbana is primarily a grievance committee. Professor Strom suggested that this topic be put on the agenda of the May meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 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.

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.

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-13. 2002-03 University Administration Budget and Benefits Study Committee.

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.

OT-157. Chief Illiniwek.

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-170. Seminar on Economic Development.

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.

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

OT-188. *Interim Code of Conduct*. Transmitted to Senates 5/13/02. Endorsed by UIC Senate 9/26/02. Passed by UIS Senate 11/15/02. Passed by UIUC Senate 12/9/02. Transmitted to the President 2/3/03.

OT-190. Report on the Tuition Planning Committee.

OT-191. Severe Sanctions Less Than Dismissal -- Follow-up and Senate Procedures.

OT-193. *Interim Information Security Policy*. Transmitted to Senates 11/15/02.

OT-194. Support of FY04 Budget Request.

OT-195. Process of the IBHE Big Picture Meeting.

OT-196. Staffing Trends – Changes in Numbers of Institutional Support Staff and Faculty.