MINUTES¹ UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE

DATE: Tuesday, September 25, 2007

PLACE: Allerton House Conference Center, Monticello

PRESENT: Anderson, Burbules, Burton (Chair), Chambers, Eisenhart, Grossman, Jones,

Kagan, Kaufman (Vice Chair), Langley, Massat, O'Brien, Schacht, Scheff, Strom,

Tolliver, Weller

ABSENT: Chapman-Novakofski, Fossum, Green, Wood

GUESTS: Mrinalini Rao, Joseph White

Professor Vernon Burton, Chair, called the University Senates Conference to order at 9:05 a.m.

I. <u>Executive Session</u>

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

II. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of August 28, 2007

The minutes were approved as written.

III. 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.

¹Subject to approval at the University Senates Conference meeting of October 24, 2007

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. <u>University of Illinois at Springfield, September 7, 2007</u>

- R37-3 Proposal for Graduate Certificate in IT Project Management in the Department of Management Information Systems
- R37-4 Proposal for Graduate Certificate in Digital Organizations in the Department of Management Information Systems
- R37-5 Proposal for Graduate Certificate in Business Process Management in the Department of Management Information Systems

2. <u>University of Illinois at Chicago, September 27, 2007*</u>

- PR-08.01 Establish a Minor in Nutrition
- PR-08.02 Revision on the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in Germanic Studies, Concentration in German with Business Minor (Concentration II)
- PR-08.03 Revision of the Doctor of Philosophy in Art History
- a) Redesignation of the Department of Criminal Justice to the Department of Criminology, Law, and Justice; b) Redesignation of the B.A. in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in Criminal Justice to the B.A. in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in Criminology, Law, and Justice; the Minor in Criminal Justice to the Minor in Criminology, Law, and Justice; the M.A. in Criminal Justice to the M.A. in Criminology, Law, and Justice; and the Ph.D. in Criminal Justice to the Ph.D. in Criminal Justice to the Ph.D. in Criminology, Law, and Justice; c) Redesignation of the Criminal Justice subject (Rubric) from CRJ to CLJ (Criminology, Law, and Justice)
- PR-08.05 Redesignation of the Concentration in Curriculum Design as the Concentration in Curriculum Studies, Doctor of Philosophy in Education (Curriculum and Instruction)

PR-08.06	Revision of the Master of Arts in Sociology
PR-08.07	Revision of the Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology
PR-08.08	Establish the Master of Science in Clinical and Translational Science
CP-08.01	Basic Community Public Health Practice Campus Certificate
CP-08.02	Advanced Community Public Health Practice Campus Certificate
*Pending approval of the UIC Senate	

- B. The following items were classified N by the University Senates Conference:
 - 3. University of Illinois at Springfield, September 7, 2007

sNc,u R37-6 Faculty Compensation Review

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

IV. Old Business – Action Items

1. 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. Transmitted to the President 2/21/06.

The Conference decided to re-transmit the language to the President with the request that the statutory changes be moved forward.

2. ST-69. Appointment of 2007-08 Statutes Committee.

Burton said that nominations were needed for the committee. Eisenhart volunteered to serve. Other members will be appointed later.

3. OT-234. Appointment of USC Members to Serve on the Management Teams and Other Committees: Academic Affairs; Business Administration and Human

Resources; External Relations; Information Technology Priorities Committee; Technology and Economic Development; and University Technology.

No additional appointments were made. Someone is still needed to serve on ITPC.

AAMT*: Terry Bodenhorn Vernon Burton

Elliot Kaufman
Mary Mallory
Elliot Kaufman
Pat Langley**

ERMT: Vernon Burton Barclay Jones

ITPC: Ann Weller to be determined

TED Cabinet: Elliot Kaufman Elliot Kaufman

UTMT: Ann Weller Ann Weller

V. New Business

4. Designation of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting: University of Illinois at Springfield Wednesday, November 14, 2007

Kathryn Eisenhart

VI. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

5. OT-227. The Global Campus.

Global Campus issues were discussed during the Executive Session. There was no further discussion.

6. OT-229. University Administration Reorganization.

The President discussed several issues with the Conference during the Executive Session. There was no further discussion

7. 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 to Senates 1/10/06. Passed UIS Senate 4/7/06. Passed UIUC Senate

^{*}Members are the USC chair, vice chair, and past chair

^{**}Pat Langley is serving for Terry Bodenhorn, whose USC term has ended

4/24/06. Passed UIC Senate 4/2/06. Transmitted to the President 5/12/06. Approved by the Board of Trustees 11/9/06. Campus Procedures – Passed UIC Senate 4/26/07.

No new information.

8. ST-66. Proposed Revisions to the *Statutes*, Article VIII – Changes in Academic Organization. Passed UIUC Senate 4/24/06. Transmitted to Senates 7/10/06. Passed UIC Senate 3/15/07.

The Conference discussed the meaning of tenure home.

9. GR-39. Proposed Revisions to *The General Rules*, Article V, Section 4 – Naming of University Facilities and Programs. Transmitted to Senates 1/9/06. Recommendations to the President 2/27/06. Approved by the Board of Trustees 4/11/06. UIC Facility Naming Policy 2/21/07.

No new information.

 GR-40. Proposed Revisions to *The General Rules*, Article III (Intellectual Property), Sections 1-8, and Article V (University Property), Sections 1-3. Transmitted to Senates 7/10/06. Approved by the Board of Trustees 3/13/07. Supporting Policy Documents to Senates 4/19/07.

The Conference discussed the Conflicts of Commitment and Interest document. Chambers commented that the real focus is usually on financial interest and material things that can be quantified as well as intellectual conflicts of interest.

Concerning permissible use issues, Kaufman said that the proposed wording changes would go against state ethics requirements. Burton commented that current practices that most people engage in, such as phone use, go against the rules. Chambers said that the real problem will occur when someone wants to enforce the rules on a specific person who is doing what everyone else is doing. Burbules compared these practices with the speed limit. While everyone understands the speed limit is commonly violated, there has to be some standard in place to deal with egregious instances. He could not imagine a case where a faculty member would be singled out for calling home. Chambers was concerned that there would be no one to advocate for someone who was being targeted by a disgruntled co-worker. Burbules did not think there could be a set of provisions that would prevent that sort of thing from happening. Langley commented that it seems necessary for faculty to have liability insurance. Burbules added that what is important is that there be a sensible and fair model.

11. BG-19. Senate 2007-08 University Administration Budget and Benefits Study Committee.

The Conference agreed to remove this item from the agenda.

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

No new information.

13. OT-232. Interactions with Legislators.

Burbules thought that it would be useful to have follow-up sessions with the legislators to focus on particular topics. Grossman did not think it would be useful for the legislators to come back and talk with the Conference. He recommended that forums, seminars, or town meetings be held to bring together people who know about the issues. Chambers suggested that a group come up with a list of issues to discuss and then decide the best way to educate the legislators. Langley said that it was important for the University to have effective public relations. Kaufman did not agree with the legislators when they indicated that the faculty are not doing a good job of telling their stories. He thought that the faculty do not have enough political clout for them to be listening. Eisenhart said that the information about the University that is given to solicit donors should also be given to the general public. There is a lot of wonderful information to tell, the problem is getting it out.

Burton asked whether the Conference should try to meet with more legislators. Grossman preferred not to meet with legislators. Massat thought that it could be useful if the right legislators were invited. Kaufman said that there were more opportunities while in Chicago to get a different group of legislators, rather than meeting with the same people again. Burton thought the meetings should focus on dealing with issues rather than getting to know the legislators. He suggested that the Conference continue the discussion of how to proceed at the next meeting.

14. OT-236. Recalculation of Apportionment of USC Membership.

Burton suggested that the three senate executive committee chairs decide whether the *Statutes* need to be changed.

15. OT-237. USC Retreat 2007.

Conference members commented on problems such as poor cell phone reception and temperature irregularities in guest rooms.

16. OT-239. Senate Joint Resolution – IBHE master plan for Illinois Higher Education.

No new information.

17. OT-240. Chancellor Reviews.

Langley said that UIS would follow-up this fall on issues from the chancellor review.

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

The Conference discussed possible guests to invite to future meetings.

19. Campus Updates.

Kaufman said that the UIC Chancellor search would officially begin later that week.

Burbules said that there was a good overview in *Inside Higher Education* on the Academy for Capitalism and Limited Government Fund. Chancellor Herman recently made a statement that there is no academy or an institute. There is an endowment fund in the Foundation and everything has to be approved by the chancellor and a faculty advisory committee. There cannot be an academic entity in the Foundation. Donors will not get to unilaterally decide how money is used for academic matters. Burbules added that the campus welcomes any fund that enriches and diversifies the range of point of view. However, there needs to be an appropriate shared governance process.

20. Report of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Thursday, September 6, 2007 Joyce Tolliver

21. 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 (Burton, Kaufman, Langley)

September 14, 2007

22. Review of Pending Items on the Agenda Addendum.

No new information

VII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Pending USC Items September 25, 2007

- 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.
- 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. Letter from Trustee Eppley institutionalizing process for meetings with Chair of BoT Academic Affairs Committee and senate observers 12/1/04.
- 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-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-222. Strategic Plans of the Campuses, the Alumni Association, and the University of Illinois Foundation.
- OT-223. Annual Review of the Vice Presidents.
- OT-231 Shared Governance Issues