

MINUTES¹
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE

DATE: Wednesday, November 19, 2003

PLACE: Videoconference: 414 AOB, 141A LIB, 67B HAB

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

ABSENT: Gupta, B. Jones, Massat, Sisson, Strom, White

GUESTS: Chester Gardner, Margaret Krol, 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. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of October 28, 2003

The minutes were approved as distributed.

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.
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

¹Subject to approval at the University Senates Conference meeting of January 23, 2004

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, October 30, 2003

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| I | 10/30/03 | PR-04.04, Revision to the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in English; Minor in English; Bachelor of Arts in Teaching English |
| I | 10/30/03 | PR-04.06, Establishment of Four Rubrics (Subject Codes) in the College of Medicine: CELE (Chicago Clerkship Electives), PELE (Peoria Clerkship Electives), RELE (Rockford Clerkship Electives) and UELE (Urbana Clerkship Electives) |
| I | 10/30/03 | PR-04.07, Revision of the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Civil Engineering |
| I | 10/30/03 | PR-04.08, Revision of the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Materials Engineering |
| I | 10/30/03 | EP-04.01, Policy Statement Regarding Grading Mode Assigned to Noncredit Courses at UIC |

2. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, November 3, 2003

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| I | 11/03/03 | EP.04.01, Revision of Undergraduate History Major, College of LAS |
| I | 11/03/03 | EP.04.05, Proposal from the College of ACES to Establish a Minor in Environmental Economics and Law in the Department of Agricultural and Consumer Economics |
| I | 11/03/03 | EP.04.10, Proposal to Discontinue the Curriculum Preparatory to the Teaching of Computer Science |

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

3. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, November 3, 2003

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| uNc,s | 11/03/03 | SP.04.04, Revision to the <i>Bylaws</i> , Part D.9 (b) – Committee on Educational Policy |
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uNc,s 11/03/03 SP.02.03, Substitute Motion *Bylaws* Language from SP.96.03 (New Senate Committee on Research Policy)

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

No action items.

V. New Business

1. OT-203. Lincoln Programs at UIS.

Professors Langley, Ford, and Bodenhorn told of recent events that had affected Lincoln Programs at UIS. The Conference discussed the need for the administration to consult with faculty before important decisions are made regarding academic programs. Professor Grossman moved to send a resolution to the President and the Board of Trustees along the lines of what had been discussed. He asked Professor Schacht to draft a resolution to be sent to Conference members via e-mail for final approval. The motion was seconded, voted on, and approved.

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

University of Illinois at Chicago

Thursday, January 15, 2004

Professor W. Jones

VI. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

3. OT-200. Committee Nominations and Procedures.

The Conference discussed procedures to be used in nominations for committees. One issue was how to determine when proportionality is appropriate and when equal representation is appropriate. The Conference decided to discuss the issues further at the January meeting.

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

Professor Langley said that the Executive Committee had discussed referring the report of the ad hoc committee to the USC Statutes Committee with the request that it examine the report piece by piece. She commented that the data provided at the October meeting by Professor Finnerty, Chair of the Statutes Committee, which listed classifications and numbers of those who teach but are not faculty, was very useful compared to any other data she had seen. Professor Finnerty said that each campus has its own needs because of differences, such as the hospital at UIC. He suggested starting at the campus level. Professor Langley said that it was unclear whether the motivation for this issue was concern over the erosion of tenure, concern over the quality of educating students, or protection for this group of employees. She stated that USC needs to determine the guiding principles. Professor W. Jones suggested getting clarification from the provosts, since they have an interest in this issue. Professor Langley asked if this should be referred to the campus senates. Professor Finnerty suggested first clarifying what needs to be addressed. The Conference decided that the Executive Committee should clarify the issues.

5. 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.

Professor Langley said that it was important to determine which classifications should be eligible for multi-year contracts.

6. 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.

Professor Langley asked how the Conference would like to proceed, having met with Ms. Mary Beastall in October. Professor O'Brien mentioned that Ms. Beastall was going to provide additional information on other benefits that the University could offer. Professor Langley said that she would follow up with Ms. Beastall.

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

The Conference discussed possible guests to invite to future meetings. Also, the Conference decided to have a videoconference meeting in February instead of meeting in Chicago, and to have the March meeting in Chicago instead of Urbana.

8. Campus Updates.

Professor Grossman said that the UIUC Senate had met with local legislators and also had lunch with the Board of Trustees the previous week. He suggested that the other senates try to meet with the Board when it meets on their campuses.

Professor W. Jones said that the Senate Executive Committee had discussed having a forum in January in which unionization would be the topic. More interest has been generated

than expected.

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

Report:

AAMT	October 31, 2003	Professor Langley
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BAHRMT	November 6, 2003	Professor Weller
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10. OT-192. Update on the UI-Integrate Steering Committee and Faculty Advisory Committee.

Professor O'Brien reported on the meeting of the UI-Integrate Faculty Advisory Committee. She said that the graduate admissions process in Banner has problems but it is being worked on.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Pending USC Items
November 19, 2003

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.

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-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.

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-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-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*.