MINUTES¹
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE

DATE: Wednesday, December 5, 2007

PLACE: Room 209 Illini Union, UIUC

PRESENT: Burbules, Burton (Chair), Eisenhart, Fossum, Grossman, Jones, Kaufman (Vice Chair), Langley, O’Brien, Schacht, Tolliver

ABSENT: Anderson, Chambers, Chapman-Novakofski, Green, Massat, Scheff, Strom, Weller, Wood

GUESTS: Mrinalini Rao, James Weyhenmeyer, Joseph White

Professor Vernon Burton, Chair, called the University Senates Conference to order at 10:05 a.m.

I. Executive Session

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

II. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of October 24, 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 University of Illinois Statutes. 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 January 25, 2008
A. The following items were classified I by the University Senates Conference:

1. University of Illinois at Chicago, November 1, 2007

   PR-08.09 Revision of the M.S. and Ph.D. in Biopharmaceutical Sciences
   PR-08.10 Revision on the Master of Science in Health Informatics
   PR-08.12 Revision of the B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, B.S. in Industrial Engineering, and B.S. in Engineering Management

2. University of Illinois at Springfield, November 2, 2007

   R37-9 Creating Departments in the College of Education and Human Services
   R37-10 Elimination of M.S. Risk Sciences Option from the Department of Environmental Studies

3. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, November 5, 2007

   EP.06.32 Proposed Guidelines for Multi-Institutional Graduate Degrees
   EP.08.09 Rename Department of Speech Communication to Dept. of Communication
   EP.08.10 Graduate Concentration in Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering in the Master’s Degree in Bioinformatics in the Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering
   EP.08.11 Graduate Concentration in Writing Studies
   EP.08.12 Formal Establishment of three Concentrations within the Department of Human Resource Education
   EP.08.13 Creation of an Undergraduate Minor in Biomolecular Engineering, School of Chemical Sciences, LAS
EP.08.15  Revision of the Scandinavian Studies Concentration of the German Major, Dept. of Germanic Languages and Literatures, LAS

EP.08.16  Revision of the Integrative Biology Concentration of the Major in the Sciences and Letters Curriculum in Integrative Biology, LAS

EP.08.19  Annotate Urbana Degree Programs earned via Global Campus on student’s academic transcript

EP.08.20  Proposed Academic Calendar for UIUC Programs Offered through University of Illinois Global Campus for the Period Spring 2008 to Fall 2009 Terms


PR-08.11  Change in Status for the Urban Planning and Policy Program to the Department of Urban Planning and Policy and for the Public Administration Program to the Department of Public Administration

PR-08.13  Establishment of a Professional Enhancement Program for the Public Health Informatics Concentration, Master of Public Health (MPH)

PR-08.14  Revision of the Joint Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) and Master of Public Health (MPH) Program

PR-08.15  Establishment of a Cancer Epidemiology Concentration for the MS and PhD in Public Health

PR-08.16  Revision of the Joint Master of Public Health (MPH)/Doctor of Medicine (MD) Program

PR-08.17  Revision of the Master of Science in the Teaching of Mathematics

PR-08.18  Revision of the PhD in Public Health, Concentration in Community Health Sciences

PR-08.19  Establish a Minor in Management Information Systems

PR-08.20  Establish a Minor in Business Operations

PR-08.21  Establish a Minor in Business Statistics

PR-08.22  Revision of the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences – Major in Psychology, Concentrations in Applied and General Psychology; Major in Psychology with Distinction and High Distinction
PR-08.23  Elimination of the Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) Program

PR-08.24  Establish an International Studies (INST) Subject (Rubric)

PR-08.25  Redesignation of the Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Movement Sciences as the Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Kinesiology; Redesignation of the Minor in Movement Sciences as the Minor in Kinesiology; Redesignation of the Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Human Nutrition as the Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Nutrition; Redesignation of the Course Subject (Rubric) MVSC (Movement Sciences) as KN (Kinesiology)

5.  University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, December 3, 2007

EP.08.05  Merger of the Division of English as an International Language and the Department of Linguistics into a newly configured Department of Linguistics

EP.08.08  Renaming of the Library Research Center

EP.08.14  Minor in American Indian Studies

EP.08.17  Creation of an Undergraduate Minor in Sub Saharan African Languages (SSAL)

EP.08.18  Creation of an Undergraduate Major in the Sciences and Letters Curriculum in African American Studies, LAS

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

1.  University of Illinois at Springfield, November 2, 2007

   sNc,u  R37-8  Adjunct as a Modifier of Faculty Rank

   sNc,u  R37-11  Transfer of Risk Assessment and Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security Certificates from the Department of Environmental Studies to the Department of Public Health

IV.  Old Business – Action Items

None.
V. New Business

1. Designation of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

University of Illinois at Chicago  
Thursday, January 17, 2008  
Elliot Kaufman

The Conference recessed from the business meeting for lunch and a discussion with Interim Vice President James Weyhenmeyer.

VI. Guest

Vice President Weyhenmeyer said that he is waiting for comments from the UIC Senate regarding the intellectual property supporting policies. He would like to submit the comments from all three campuses at the same time to the Intellectual Property Committee for review. Professor Schacht mentioned that there is tension between the language in the Conflicts of Commitment and Interest document and what the Global Campus wants to do. Professor Kaufman said that the changes made to The General Rules seem to indicate that the University owns intellectual property rights to teaching materials, rather than the faculty. Professor Schacht added that there are also concerns with research ownership. Vice President Weyhenmeyer commented that the policy documents can be revised as frequently as needed in order to be contemporary. There is no intent by the University to claim additional ownership. The three policy documents are intended to be operational documents in support of The General Rules. Professor Schacht expressed his regret that the opportunity to fix permissible use rules was not taken. Vice President Weyhenmeyer replied that Legal Counsel weighed in on the decision. There were problems with the proposed language.

The group discussed intellectual property rights for research and electronic class materials. Vice President Weyhenmeyer commented that property rights partially depend on how much additional investment has been provided by the University.

Vice President Weyhenmeyer discussed a proposed initiative that would expand and manage the University’s intellectual property for drug discoveries.

Professor Burton thanked Vice President Weyhenmeyer 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
VII. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

2. 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.

This item was discussed with Vice President Weyhenmeyer earlier in the meeting. There were no further comments.


This item was discussed with Vice President Rao during the Executive Session. There were no further comments.

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

Professor Kaufman said that the change in faculty numbers requires a change in the apportionment of membership. UIS would still have three members; UIC would lose one seat, leaving seven; and UIUC would gain one seat, for a total of ten. Professor Schacht moved to approve the reapportionment. The motion was seconded, voted on, and approved.

5. OT-232. Interactions with Legislators.

Professor Burton said that Rick Schoell will be inviting legislators to attend the January 24 dinner in University Hall.

6. OT-227. The Global Campus.

Some USC members discussed the plans of their departments and colleges for participating or not participating in the Global Campus. Professor Burbules commented on the Academic Council and two units that have been involved in negotiations with the Global Campus.


No new information.

8. OT-240. Chancellor Reviews.

Professor Kaufman reported on the completion of the UIC Chancellor review.
9. OT-123. Discussion of University Senates Conference guests.

The Conference discussed possible guests to invite to future meetings and changes to upcoming meeting dates.

10. Campus Updates.

Professor Kaufman reported on the UIC Chancellor search. Professor Burbules updated the Conference on the status of the Academy on Capitalism. Documents can be found on the UIUC Senate website. A committee is advising the chancellor on the agreement proposal. Professor Langley commented on student affairs issues and the chancellor review.

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

ERMT (Jones) November 27, 2007

12. Report of Observer of Board of Trustees Meeting:

University of Illinois at Springfield Kathryn Eisenhart
Wednesday, November 14, 2007

13. Report on the IBHE Budget Overview Meeting:

October 31, 2007 Elliot Kaufman


No new information.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

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-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-208. E-Mail Security Policy.

OT-210. Tuition and Fees Executive Committee.

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

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.

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