

AGENDA
UNIVERSITY SENATES CONFERENCE
Thursday, January 17, 2013
9:00 a.m.

Videoconference:
414 Administrative Office Building, UIC
180G Brookens Library, UIS
364 Henry Administration Building, UIUC

I. Remarks from the USC Chair

(The agenda will skip to item IV and continue until Dr. Pierre and Dr. Wheeler arrive.)

II. Meeting with Vice President Pierre and Visiting Associate Vice President Richard Wheeler (11:00am)

III. Meeting with Chancellor Phyllis Wise (12:30pm)

IV. Approval of University Senates Conference Minutes of November 28, 2012

V. Classification of Senate Minutes

A. University of Illinois at Chicago – November 29, 2012

B. University of Illinois at Springfield – November 30, 2012; December 14, 2012

C. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – December 3, 2012

Explanation of File Numbers

ST - University of Illinois *Statutes*

GR - *The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*

NC - Nominating Committee

OT - All Other Items

VI. Old Business - Action Items

1. ST-78/GR-47. Proposed Revisions to the *Statutes* and *The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedures* – to change throughout both documents “Vice President/Chancellor at the (Urbana-Champaign, Chicago, or

Springfield) Campus” to “Chancellor at the (Urbana-Champaign, Chicago, or Springfield) Campus/Vice President”. Passed UIC Senate 11/29/12. Passed UIS Senate 11/30/12. Passed UIUC Senate 12/3/12.

All three senates have approved the language; however, the UIUC Senate made additional recommendations. The USC Statutes and Governance Committee has provided a report for action.

2. ST-72. Revisions to the *Statutes*, Article X, Section 2 (Academic Freedom). Passed UIUC Senate 12/6/10; Passed UIC Senate 9/22/11. Passed UIS Senate 12/14/12.

All three senates have approved identical language. This item is ready to be considered for transmittal to the President.

VII. New Business

3. Board of Trustees Meeting: Thursday, March 7, 2013, Urbana

Designation of Observer: _____

Faculty Report: _____

4. OT-294. Recalculation of Apportionment of USC Membership.

The *Statutes* specify:

Article II. Section 2. University Senates Conference
a. *Organization*

(1) The University Senates Conference shall be made up of twenty members. The basic representation shall be two members from each senate. Additional members shall be apportioned to each senate, at least one from each senate, in numbers proportional to the number of faculty members on each campus. The apportionment shall be recalculated every five years. Each senate shall elect its own representatives from its membership.

The apportionment was recalculated using tenure and tenure-track faculty numbers (FTE) provided by the University Office for Planning and Budgeting. Based on these numbers, the apportionment of USC membership from each campus will remain the same.

5. OT-295. Resolution on campus jurisdiction over the *Statutes* and the *General Rules*.

Draft language is provided for discussion.

6. OT-296. Proposal that USC should be able to initiate revisions to the *Statutes*.

The Conference will consider this item. If approved, Professor Burbules will carry it forward into the current *Statutes* and *General Rules* revision process (ST-77/GR-46).

7. OT-297. Implications of the Open Meetings Act to the operations of the University Senates Conference.

A list of items to address is enclosed for discussion and possible incorporation into the bylaws.

VIII. Old Business – Information and Discussion Items

8. ST-77/GR-46. Revisions to the *Statutes* and *General Rules* – Edits and Updates.

Professor Burbules will provide an update.

9. OT-291. Recommendation to establish Faculty Advisory Committees for all four Vice Presidents.

No new information.

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

Discussion of possible guests to invite to future meetings.

11. Campus Updates.

Discussion of campus matters for information.

12. Board of Trustees Meeting: Thursday, January 24, 2013, Chicago*

Designation of Observer:
Faculty Report:

Kouros Mohammadian
Joyce Tolliver

*The retreat will be held on Wednesday, January 23.

13. Reports from USC Committee Chairs:

Academic Affairs and Research Committee	Matthew Wheeler
Finance, Budget and Benefits Committee	Peter Boltuc
Hospital and Health Affairs Committee	Donald Chambers
Statutes and Governance Committee	Joyce Tolliver

14. OT-142. Updates on External Committees: Common Application Consortium (Graber); Enrollment Management Policy Council (Leff); Pre- and Post-Award Research Money Policy group (Wheeler); Strategic Communications and Marketing Council; UI Labs Task Force (Chambers); University Technology Management Team (Campbell); Vice President for Academic Affairs Faculty Advisory Committee (Burbules, Chambers, Mohammadian, Villegas); Vice President for Research Faculty Advisory Committee (Boltuc, Chambers, Wheeler).

15. Review of Pending Items.

Conference members are asked to review the addendum and comment if they know of any new information. Background information follows each item.

IX. Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, February 19, in Chicago.

USC Agenda Addendum – Pending Items
January 17, 2013

OT-167. Faculty Representation to the Board of Trustees.

In June 2000, the Resolution on Faculty Representation to the Board of Trustees was transmitted to the President who in turn forwarded the resolution to the Board. The resolution, which was developed by the Conference and approved by each senate, requests a faculty voice from each campus at the Board table. (This resolution was also transmitted to Dr. Ikenberry in December 2009.)

OT-223. Annual Review of the Vice Presidents.

The *Statutes* state that: “The university officers are identified in *The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*. Prior to recommending to the Board of Trustees the initial appointment of any university officer except the president and the vice presidents/chancellors the president shall seek the advice of the University Senates Conference. On the occasion of the reappointment of any university officer, the University Senates Conference may submit its advice if it so elects.” USC has routinely reviewed the vice presidents, but due to changes in leadership positions, the reviews have not been held on a regular basis for the last few years. The process should begin late in the spring.

OT-248. Intellectual Property Issues.

After the Intellectual Property section of *The General Rules* was revised in September 2009, some Conference members felt that there were additional issues that needed to be addressed, such as what constitutes usual and customary resources that are provided.

OT-260. University Information Security Policy.

The University Technology Management Team approved an interim University Information Security Policy that USC and the three campuses reviewed. The Information Security Policy, and other related IT policies, can be found at http://www.aitis.uillinois.edu/i_t_policies.

OT-262. Accelerated Degree Program.

The Conference decided to wait to see what the campuses do.

OT-265. Academy on Capitalism and Limited Government Foundation.

The Conference continues to monitor this item.

OT-268. Administrative Reorganization.

The Conference continues to review the various changes in Campus and University Administration.

OT-276. Performance Based Funding.

Dr. Charlie Evans gave a presentation to USC in October 2011. The VPAA occasionally reports the ramifications of this initiative.

OT-280. Faculty Participation in Shared Governance at the University of Illinois.

The Conference discussed best practices for providing advice to the President and to the Board of Trustees.

OT-288. Faculty/Staff Pension and Benefit Issues (formerly Resolution on Pensions/Pension Reform).

The Conference continues to monitor pension and benefit issues.