

University Senates Conference  
*Finance, Budget, & Benefits Committee*  
Minutes

DATE: Friday, December 20, 2024

PLACE: University of Illinois Chicago, College of Pharmacy Building, Room 145  
University of Illinois Springfield, Brookens Library, Room 180G  
I Hotel & Conference Center, Excellence Room

PRESENT: Campbell, Dunning (online), Erricolo, Leff, Lyons

ABSENT: Danziger

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Professor Campbell.

II. Public Comment

No public comment.

III. Approval of minutes from

a. November 21, 2024

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from November 21, 2024. No discussion. The minutes were approved with a voice vote by FBBC Members in-person and roll call vote by members attending online.

Yes: Campbell, Dunning (online), Erricolo, Lyons

No: None

Abstain: Leff

IV. Today's Business

a. Discuss SURS Tier 2 and Social Security Safe Harbor Act

No legislation has been proposed to address a Tier 2 fix. The committee will revisit this topic when the state legislature is back in session.

b. Review updates on HR 82, a bill that proposes repealing the Windfall Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset

FBBC reviewed The Social Security Fairness Act ([H.R. 82](#)), which was passed by the U.S. House of Representatives last month by a vote of 327-75. The Act seeks to repeal Social Security's windfall elimination provision and government pension offset. Professor Lyons informed FBBC that the U.S. Senate voted 73-27 on December 18 to invoke cloture on the Act, paving the way for a potential final vote later this week. FBBC will revisit this topic at its next meeting in January.

V. New Business

None

VI. Old Business – Action Items

None

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Information for the minutes provided by Professor Campbell and Professor Lyons.

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