UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE

Committee on General University Policy

GP.13.10 Annual Report for 2012-2013

(Final; Information)

The Senate General University Policy Committee (GUP) is responsible for studying, reporting and making recommendations to the Senate concerning general University policy in broad terms. This report summarizes the activities of GUP during the 2012-2013 academic year. GUP met nine times (September 4, October 2, November 6, December 4, January 15, February 5, March 5, April 2, and May 10). More detailed information is provided in the minutes of those meetings.

Items that were under active consideration this year (2012-13):

GP.12.05 Proposal to Transfer the Beckman Institute from the Office of Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost to the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research A public hearing was held in July to provide an opportunity for comments on this proposal. The proposal was approved by the Senate on September 10, 2012. GP.12.06 Establishment of the Center for Nutrition, Learning and Memory This proposal was transferred to the Senate Committee on Educational Policy. **GP.12.08 Task Force on Dual Tenure Positions** GUP has not yet received a proposal on this topic. This item will carry over to next year. GP.12.10 **Policy Governing Electronic Surveys and Ouestionnaires** This policy was drafted and approved by GUP, presented to the Senate, revised, and then returned to the Senate, where it was approved on October 8, 2012 and forwarded to the Provost's Office for implementation. **GP.12.11 Proposal for the Center for Digital Inclusion** The proposal was approved by the Senate on September 10, 2012. Proposal to Permanently Establish the Center on Health, Aging and Disability **GP.13.01** This proposal was transferred to the Senate Committee on Educational Policy. GP.13.02 Proposal to Permanently Establish the Grainger Center for Electric Machinery and **Electromechanics** This proposal was approved by GUP and sent to the Senate, where it was approved on December 3, 2012. **GP.13.03** Proposal to Temporarily Establish the Confucius Institute in International Programs and Studies

This proposal was approved by GUP and sent to the Senate, where it was approved on February 4, 2013.

GP.13.04 Proposal to Establish the Center for a Sustainable Environment in the Office of the Chancellor

This proposal was approved by GUP and sent to the Senate, where it was approved on December 3, 2012.

GP.13.05 Revise/Approve the Draft Statement on Academic Professionals

This item was drafted and approved by GUP and sent to the Senate, where it was approved on October 8, 2012. This resolution outlined some of the consequences of removing campus authority to classify academic professional vs. civil service positions. The State eventually withdrew that proposal.

GP.13.06 Proposal to Establish the TIAA-CREF Center for Farmland Research

This proposal was approved by GUP and sent to the Senate, where it was approved on February 4, 2013.

GP.13.07 Review of Shared Governance at the Department and College Levels

GUP drafted a survey that was administered to campus faculty via massmail. The results were collated by GUP and a final report was given to the Senate Executive Committee on July 11, 2013.

GP.13.08 Draft Proposal for Senate Executive Committee on Amending the Standing Rules Regarding Senate Agendas

This proposal was drafted and approved by GUP and sent to the Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures for review. This item will carry over to next year.

GP.13.09 Records and Information Management Communication

GUP reviewed and discussed the RIMS Communication-001: Retention of Email Messages of Enduring Value and the possible conflicts with the *General Rules*. This item will carry over to next year.

Items that are being monitored by the committee:

- **GP.07.04** Multi-Year Contracts Policy and Implementation
- GP.09.01 Academy on Capitalism and Limited Government Foundation
- GP.10.02 Positive Time Reporting
- GP.12.01 Campus Policies on the Formation of Centers and Institutes

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