UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE

Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures (Final; Action)

SP.15.18 General Revisions to the *Statutes*, Final Reconciliation, Motions #1 through #8

BACKGROUND

As per standard practice for the revisions of the *Statutes*, after each of the Senates has acted on a proposed amendment, the University Senates Conference (USC) reviews the action of each Senate to determine if there are differences in how one or more Senates dealt with the text. With the set of amendments that have been under consideration by the Senates since October, the Chicago and Springfield Senates approved the proposed texts with relatively little variation, whereas the Urbana Senate found a number of instances for which it recommended alternate phrasings or provisions. When USC reviewed the resultant differing advice of the three Senates, it prepared a reconciled text. In most cases that reconciled text corresponded with what the Urbana Senate had approved. However, for several items, USC has provided reconciled language that differs from what the Urbana Senate had approved.

Some years ago, the Urbana Senate made a clear statement that any USC reconciliations of statutory language that varied from the language approved by this Senate must come back to the Senate for final passage. Accordingly, USSP has reviewed all of these variations and prepared the following guide to the changes, and its recommendations.

To facilitate the Senate's present consideration, USSP has provided the relevant text for each original recommendation of the Urbana Senate before the text suggested by USC in its work to reconcile advice from the three campuses. Those elements where the reconciled text varies from this Senate's original recommendation are marked by yellow highlighting.

1 ITEM ONE

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3 October 24, 2014 version as modified and approved by UIUC Senate on December 8, 2014:

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NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

6 The commitment of the University of Illinois to the most fundamental principles of academic freedom,
7 equality of opportunity, and human dignity requires that decisions involving students and employees be
8 based on merit and be free from invidious discrimination in all its forms.

- 9 The University of Illinois will not engage in discrimination or harassment against any person because of
- 10 political affiliation, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, genetic
- 11 information, disability, sexual orientation including gender identity, unfavorable discharge from the
- 12 military or status as a protected veteran and will comply with all federal and state nondiscrimination,
- 13 equal opportunity and affirmative action laws, orders and regulations. This nondiscrimination policy
- 14 applies to admissions, employment, access to and treatment in University programs and activities.
- 15 University complaint and grievance procedures provide employees and students with the means for the
- 16 resolution of complaints that allege a violation of this Statement. Members of the public should direct
- 17 their inquiries or complaints to the appropriate equal opportunity office.

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35 36 37	USSP Comment and Recommendation: These differ only in the placement of the phrase "political affiliation". USSP recommends approval of the reconciled text.
38 39 40 41 42	ITEM TWO ARTICLE II. LEGISLATIVE ORGANIZATION Section 1. Campus Senates
43 44 45 46	 A senate shall be constituted at each campus of the University. <u>The senate is the elected</u> representative of the faculty, students, and academic professional staff in shared governance discussions
47 48 49 50 51 52	across the full range of university concerns. It is the authorized partner to engage administration in planning, in policy, in implementation, and in collaborative problem-solving on matters pertinent to the well-being of the campus and its members. The basic structure of a senate, including its composition, shall be provided for in its constitution. The constitution and any amendments thereto shall take effect upon adoption by the senate concerned and approval thereof by the Board of Trustees.
53 54	February 25, 2015 version showing changes recommended by USC to reconcile text:
55 56	a) A senate shall be constituted at each campus of the University. <u>The senate is the sole elected</u> elected <u>representative of legislative assembly representing the faculty, students, academic professionals, and</u>
57 58 59 60 61 62	other staff deemed eligible by the campus in shared governance discussions across the full range of university concerns. It is the authorized partner to engage administration in planning, in policy, in implementation, and in collaborative problem-solving on matters pertinent to the well-being of the campus and its members. The basic structure of a senate, including its composition, shall be provided for in its constitution. The constitution and any amendments thereto shall take effect upon adoption by the senate concerned and approval thereof by the Board of Trustees.
63 64	USSP Comment and Recommendation: USSP objects to the addition of the word "sole". It would
65 66 67	seem to preclude other elected bodies, such as a student senate or the professional advisory committee, from participation in shared governance. USSP recommends against approval of the insertion of "sole" and otherwise recommends approval of the balance of the reconciled text.

ITEM THREE
ARTICLE II. LEGISLATIVE ORGANIZATION
Section 2. University Senates Conference
a. Organization
October 24, 2014 version as considered by the UIUC Senate:
USSP Comment and Recommendation: The UIUC Senate approved only part of the changes in
Article II, Section 2, because USC did not at that time have Bylaws.
(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.
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(2) Senators whose senatorial terms expire before their conference terms expire shall
complete their conference terms. Any faculty senator or faculty senator-elect shall be eligible for
election to the conference. The term of office shall be three years beginning on the first day of the next
academic year following the election. Approximately one third of the conference members from each
senate shall be elected annually.
(3) A quorum for conference meetings shall consist of a simple majority of the total
membership of the conference. If a quorum cannot be obtained otherwise, the conference members
from a senate may designate as many as two alternates from the faculty members of their own senate to
serve at a specific meeting.
(<u>34</u>) The conference officers shall be a chair and a vice chair, who shall <u>not be from the</u>
same senate and who shall be elected for one-year terms by and from the conference and shall not be
from the same senate. The chair shall not be from the same senate in two consecutive years.
(4 5) The executive committee of the conference shall consist of two members from each
senate: the conference chair, the conference vice chair, and four additional members elected annually by
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	e and duties, calling of meetings and establishment of agenda, election of officers,
	forum. The bylaws shall provide for procedures to exercise those statutory duties
	II, Section 2 (b). The bylaws and any changes thereto shall be reported to the
	l submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval.
	and Recommendation: Following the April 1, 2015 adoption of initial Bylaws by
•	ates Conference, USSP recommends approval of the reconciled text containing a new
subparagraph 5.	
ITEM FOUR	
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192 193	best interest of the campus.
195 196 197	USSP Comment and Recommendation: USSP recommends approval of the reconciled text.
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200	ARTICLE ILLEGISLATIVE ORGANIZATION
201 202	Section 4 Faculty Advisory Committee—Unnumbered paragraphs
203	Note: In the three unnumbered paragraphs (i.e., "Items Six, Seven, and Eight" here and below) that
204	followed the above text, there were no substantive variations between the UIUC Senate approval of
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32	ITEM SEVEN
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.34	ARTICLE ILLEGISLATIVE ORGANIZATION
35	Section 4 Faculty Advisory Committee—Unnumbered paragraphs
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37	October 24, 2014 version as modified and approved by UIUC Senate on February 9:
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40	the faculty as it deems appropriate, but at least once a year. These reports shall maintain the
11	confidentiality of individual personnel cases. Confidential reports of findings from individual cases may
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17	the good of the University, afford added recourse for the consideration of grievances, and furnish a
18	channel for direct and concerted communication between the academic staff (as defined in Article IX,
19	Sections 4a and 3c) and the administrative officers of the University, its colleges, schools, institutes,
50	divisions, and other administrative units on matters of interest or concern to the academic staff (as
51	defined in Article IX, Sections 4a and 3c) or any member of it. Academic staff members who are
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269 270 **USSP Comment and Recommendation:** USSP agrees with the deletion of the following extraneous 271 phrase "but may describe the broad nature of cases presented to it", and therefore recommends approval of the reconciled text. 272 273 274 **ITEM EIGHT** 275 276 277 ARTICLE ILLEGISLATIVE ORGANIZATION Faculty Advisory Committee—Unnumbered paragraphs 278 Section 4 279 280 October 24, 2014 version as modified and approved by UIUC Senate on February 9: 281 282 In performing its functions, the committee upon the request of the chancellor/vice president, the 283 president, or any member of the academic staff (as defined in Article IX, Sections 4a and 3c), or upon 284 its own initiative shall make such investigations and hold such consultations as it may deem to be in the best interest of the University. A member of the academic staff (as defined in Article IX, Sections 4a 285 286 and 3c), or upon its own initiative shall make such investigations and hold such consultations as it may 287 deem to be in the best interest of the University. A member of the academic staff (as defined in Article IX. Sections 4a and 3c) or a retired member shall be entitled to a conference with the committee or with 288 289 any member of it on any matter properly within the purview of the committee. 290 291 February 25, 2015 version showing changes recommended by USC to reconcile text: 292 In performing its functions, the committee upon the request of the chancellor/vice president, the 293 294 president, or any member of the academic staff (as defined in Article IX, Sections 4a and 3c), or upon 295 its own initiative shall make such investigations and hold such consultations as it may deem to be in the best interest of the University. A member of the academic staff (as defined in Article IX, Sections 4a 296 297 and 3c), or upon its own initiative shall make such investigations and hold such consultations as it may 298 deem to be in the best interest of the University. A member of the academic staff (as defined in Article 299 IX, Sections 4a and 3c) or a retired member shall be entitled to a conference with the committee or with 300 any member of it on any matter properly within the purview of the committee. 301 302 **USSP Comment and Recommendation:** During the UIUC Senate meeting of February 9, this text 303 was recommended for retention primarily because the phrase "or upon its own initiative" was not found 304 elsewhere in this section. That phrase has now been recommended by USC in another sentence (see 305 ITEM FIVE, above). USSP therefore recommends approval of the reconciled text showing the deletion 306 of this paragraph. 307 308 309 **ITEM NINE** 310 311 ARTICLE ILLEGISLATIVE ORGANIZATION Faculty Advisory Committee—Unnumbered paragraphs 312 Section 4 313 314 USSP Comment and Recommendation: To ensure clarity, the USC's February 25 reconciliation 315 recommends the addition of a cross reference in Article VIII to ensure that changes of departments 316 beyond chair/head status must follow Article VIII, Section 4, not Article IV, Section 4: 317

318	ARTICLE	/ III .	CHANGES IN ACADEMIC ORGANIZATION				
319	Section 4.	Changes in Ex	xisting Units				
320	From time to time, circumstances will favor changes in academic organization such as the						
321	termination,	termination, separation, transfer, merger, change in status (e.g., department to school), or renaming of					
322	the academic	the academic units specified in Section 1. The procedures for the various changes shall be the same as					
323	those specific	ed for formation of	E such a unit, except that the proposal may originate in the unit(s) or at				
324	any higher ac	Iministrative level.	The advice of each unit involved shall be taken and recorded by vote of				
325			lot in accordance with the bylaws of that unit. For transfer, merger,				
326		separation, and change in status (e.g., department to school), the procedures shall be those applicable to					
327			sult. Units affected may communicate with the Board of Trustees in				
328			ection 4, of these <i>Statutes</i> .				
29			epartment from a chair to a head, or from a head to a chair, may be				
80 81	accomplished	only as specified	in Article IV, Section 4 of these Statutes.				
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	On March 9	, the UIUC Senat	e approved the following recommendation from the USSP:				
			e the wording from "tenure-track" and "non-tenure-track" to				
		2	on-tenure-system" in each instance where it is used. The term "system"				
			es both probationary faculty and those with indefinite tenure and it also				
	reflec	ets existing human	resources practices at the University."				
	The April 1 r	ecommendation fro	om the University Senates Conference was to not introduce the term				
			recommended the use of the phrase "tenured and tenure track faculty" in				
			sting <i>Statutes</i> use the phrase "tenured or receiving probationary credit				
	toward tenure	*					
			nendation: While USSP recognizes that by saying "tenured and tenure-				
			n that was present in the October 24, 2014 proposed amendments, use of				
			some compared to the term "tenure system." Further, "tenure system" is e human resources office of all three campuses. Although the USC				
			ne, USSP recognizes that the proposed four-word phrase is not				
			assable for the moment. USSP makes no recommendation about the				
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7	Lines	s 1163-1165 US	SSP suggested revising the wording to read: "b. Appointments shall be				
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)			w university policies and guidelines regarding recruitment, selection, and				
0	prom	otion."					
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April 21, 2	2015 version showing changes recommended by USC to reconcile text:		
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"solely" or As a comp	mment and Recommendation: USC members felt that appointments are often made, not n the basis of "special fitness", but often with consideration of other factors such as diversity. oromise with the desire of the Urbana Senate to retain the word "solely", the word "basis" was the plural "bases". USSP recommends approval of the reconciled text.		
ITEM TV	VELVE		
Article IX	X, Section 5c		
language v	6, the UIUC Senate approved a recommendation from the USSP designed to amend which seemed vague (such as a reference to "appropriate administrator") and to remove a on excess service within a person's own department.		
-	21 , USC , after consultation with HR, determined that the level of detail in this subsection was the <i>General Rules</i> , and so recommended deletion of the entire subsection from the <i>Statutes</i> .		
	ving subsection 5d then becomes 5c.)		
USSP Con	mment and Recommendation: USSP believes that the provisions that are in the current text		
of this sec USSP reco	tion are important for inclusion in the <i>Statutes</i> and thus subject to Senate review. Therefore, ommends against the deletion and instead recommends retention of the current, unaltered text IX, Section 5c.		
	c. Full-time employees shall not receive compensation for services with the University in excess of a normal schedule except for a reasonable amount of instruction in continuing education and public service programs or for the grading of special		
	examinations (outside regular course work) stipulated by the University, all to be done at a time that does not conflict with other university duties. Exceptions may be made to		
	this rule in special cases which are approved by the dean of the college of which the employee is a member provided that if such additional payments exceed a nominal		
	amount the advance approval of the chancellor/vice president shall be secured. These exceptions shall be held to a minimum.		
ITEM TH	HRTEEN		
Article X	II, Section 2b		
On April	6, the UIUC Senate approved the following observation by the USSP:		
Li	nes 2024-25 propose "Funds to meet these indirect costs must be provided either by the		
	onsors, by special arrangement, or by tax funds." USSP questions whether "special		
-	rangement" is appropriate for what it imagines is at issue here.		

- 421 April 21, 2015 version showing text recommended by USC:
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- 423 Funds to meet these indirect costs must be provided either by the sponsors, by tax funds, or by special
 424 arrangement approved by the University Chief Financial Officer.
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- 426 USSP Comment and Recommendation: USSP recommends approval of this reconciled text. 427 428 However, USSP has noticed an additional problem. The next sentence following the one discussed 429 above is, "In the latter case, because such activities come into direct competition for funds with other 430 interests within the University, careful consideration shall be given the acceptance of such contracts." 431 With the newly edited sentence above, "latter case" refers to the wrong case. Thus, USSP recommends 432 approval of the following edited sentence to preserve the original meaning: "In the latter case of tax 433 funds, because such activities come into direct competition for funds with other interests within the 434 University, careful consideration shall be given the acceptance of such contracts." 435 436 UNIVERSITY STATUTES AND SENATE PROCEDURES

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