

University Senates Conference

25 April 2001

Abstract

The University Senates Conference (USC) met on Wednesday, 25 April 2001, in the Public Affairs Center of the Springfield campus of the University in Springfield, Illinois. President Stukel met with the Conference in the morning. Richard Ringeisen, Chancellor of UIS, met with the Conference after lunch.

A quorum was not available to approve any business.

This is the report of the meeting.

1 Morning

In summary President Stukel discussed the following items with members of the Conference:

- The FY02 budget. It was still unclear how well the University would fare with the FY02 budget.
- Faculty Salaries. It was pointed out that faculty salary compression was a problem.
- Faculty Benefits. The administration is considering ways to improve benefits for university employees.
- The chief. The Board's committee to seek common ground had not yet been appointed. Members of the Conference expressed interest in interacting with the Board, through the Conference's Executive Committee, to explore ways to resolve the Chief Illiwek issue.
- Sanctions Less than Dismissal. President Stukel discussed several aspects of current language.
- John Marshall Law School. The negotiations are at a full stop.
- UIUC Chancellor. President Stukel expressed great enthusiasm for Dr. Nancy Cantor, the next Chancellor at UIUC.
- UIUC Chancellor law suit. The law suit against the UIUC Chancellor was mentioned.

2 Afternoon

After lunch the members met and heard from Chancellor Richard Ringeisen, newly appointed chancellor of the Springfield campus. Among other things he mentioned that the search for a new Provost for UIS was almost complete.

3 Agenda

Due to the lack of a quorum, no business was conducted.

Louis Kaufman, newly appointed chair of the Seminar on Economic Development, reported that seminar members had been chosen and the group plans to begin work in the fall of 2001.

The Conference will meet with Chancellor Aiken the evening of 28 June.

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