

Minutes
Urbana-Champaign Senate Meeting
December 3, 2012

A regular meeting of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Senate was called to order at 3:12 pm on the 3rd floor of the Levis Center with Provost Ilesanmi Adesida presiding and Professor Emeritus Kenneth E. Andersen as Parliamentarian.

Approval of Minutes

12/03/12-01 The minutes from November 5, 2012 were approved as amended.

Senate Executive Committee Report

Matthew Wheeler (ACES), Faculty Senator and Chair of the Senate Executive Committee (SEC), requested floor privileges be granted for Matti Bunzl, Director of the Program in Jewish Culture and Society and Bruce Rosenstock, Department of Religion, to speak to EP.13.10; Jack Dempsey, Executive Director of Facilities and Services (F&S) and Helen Coleman, Director of Construction and Planning at F&S, to speak to CO.13.01 and CO.13.02; and Stephanie Lage, Office of Sustainability to speak to GP.13.04.

12/03/12-02 Floor privileges were granted as requested without objection.

Faculty senators Joyce Tolliver (LAS) and Susan Curtis (BUS) and student senator Eric Federico (LAS) served as tellers for the meeting.

Chair Wheeler noted that there are several nominations on today's agenda, and two proposals from the General University Policy committee (GUP) to create new centers. Wheeler requested that senators remain to vote for these important items.

Chancellor's Remarks

Provost Adesida gave remarks in the absence of Chancellor Wise. Adesida reported that there were meetings on two of the Visioning Excellence topics, Social Equality and Cultural Understanding, and Energy and the Environment, held the previous week. Suggestions have been made about moving forward.

Adesida noted that he has been visiting colleges and departments similarly to the Chancellor's Listening and Learning tour. He commented that there are tremendous activities taking place on this campus. There is a need to come together to make a greater impact and strive for excellence in all areas, and also to help in determining where and how to invest.

The President of the CIC (Committee on Institutional Cooperation) agreed to an increase in the CIC, and is trying to determine the optimum size of the BigTen in the CIC.

Questions/Discussion

No questions.

Consent Agenda

Hearing no objections, the following proposals were pronounced approved by unanimous consent.

12/03/12-03 EP.13.10* Proposal to Establish the Jewish Studies Concentration within the BALAS in Interdisciplinary Studies

10/08/12-04 EP.13.15* Proposal from the College of Fine and Applied Arts to Rename the BMUS in Music History as the BMUS in Musicology

Proposals (enclosed)

12/03/12-05 CC.13.06* Nomination to the State Universities Retirement System Members Advisory Committee (SURSMAC)

On behalf of the Committee on Committees, committee member Joyce Tolliver, moved approval of the nominee for SURSMAC on proposal CC.13.06. There were no floor nominations and nominations were declared closed.

12/03/12-06 By unanimous consent, the nominee on CC.13.06 was approved.

12/03/12-07 CC.13.07* Nominations for Membership on Standing Committees of the Senate

On behalf of the Committee on Committees, committee member Joyce Tolliver, moved approval of the nominee on proposal CC.13.07. There were no floor nominations and nominations were declared closed.

12/03/12-08 By unanimous consent, the nominee on CC.13.07 was approved.

12/03/12-09 SC.13.09* Nomination for Membership on Committee on Committees

On behalf of SEC, Chair Wheeler moved approval of the nominee on proposal SC.13.09. There were no floor nominations and nominations were declared closed.

12/03/12-10 By unanimous consent, the nominee on SC.13.09 was approved.

12/03/12-11 GP.13.02* Proposal to Permanently Establish the Grainger Center for Electric Machinery and Electromechanics

General University Policy (GUP) Chair Nicholas Burbules noted that the Grainger Center has been on campus since 1999 and runs completely on endowment funds. He added, for future reference, that Center creation, changes, and closings will be transitioned to the Educational Policy Committee.

12/03/12-12 On behalf of the GUP Committee, Chair Nicholas Burbules moved approval of GP.13.02.

12/03/12-13 By voice vote, the motion to approve GP.13.02 passed.

12/03/12-14 GP.13.04* Proposal to Establish the Center for a Sustainable Environment in the Office of the Chancellor

GUP Chair Nicholas Burbules noted that this Center will be supported mostly by endowment and very minimal state funds. The Center is at the campus level and does not belong to any one department.

12/03/12-15 On behalf of the GUP Committee, Chair Nicholas Burbules moved approval of GP.13.04.

12/03/12-16 By voice vote, the motion to approve GP.13.04 passed.

12/03/12-17 SP.13.04* Proposed Amendments to the *Statutes* Regarding the Title of the Chancellor

University Statutes and Senate Procedures (USSP) Chair William Maher introduced the proposal. Maher reminded the Senate that Chair Wheeler appointed Tolliver, Maher, and Mallory to ensure that the process was followed, this committee felt the process was followed. Unlike the usual process of a campus Senate proposing changes to the *Statues*, this proposed change came from the Board of Trustees (BOT) to the Senates. There does not seem to be a limit on what advice can be given, and no policy that the BOT has to follow any given advice.

12/03/12-18 On behalf of USSP, Chair Maher moved approval of SP.13.04, the proposed amendments to the *Statutes* regarding the title of the Chancellor.

Discussion included a comment from Thomas Anastasio (LAS) that he felt President Hogan previously added the title of "Vice President" to point out the chain of command. USSP Chair Maher responded that what is reflected in the proposal is the switching of "Vice

President/Chancellor” to “Chancellor/Vice President”. USSP is not suggesting the removal of “Vice President” from the title.

Faculty Senator Kagan (LIBR) disagreed and felt that this suggested change is not a semantic change, but a show of power and a move towards centralization. SEC Chair Wheeler replied that he was the University Senates Conference (USC) chair in 2010 when the change was made, and that the organization chart has always shown that the Chancellors report to the President. The addition of Vice-President was an attempt to make this clearer.

12/03/12-19 By voice vote, the motion to approve SP.13.04 passed.

12/03/12-20 CO.13.01* Resolution on Internal Policy Changes to Expedite Renovations

The Senate Committee on Campus Operations Chair Benjamin McCall introduced the proposal. Campus Operations committee members have taken a great deal of time discussing renovations. Facilities and Services (F&S) is now focusing on streamlining rather than focusing on cost and risk. This proposal asks for streamlining of internal procedures.

12/03/12-21 On behalf of Campus Operations, Chair McCall moved approval of CO.13.01.

12/03/12-22 By voice vote, the motion to approve CO.13.01 passed.

12/03/12-23 CO.13.02* Resolution on Legislative Relief to Expedite Renovations

The Senate Committee on Campus Operations Chair Benjamin McCall noted that this proposal recommends that the President seek relief from the legislature, and ask that governmental relations report to Campus Operations on the progress every year.

12/03/12-24 On behalf of Campus Operations, Chair McCall moved approval of CO.13.02.

12/03/12-25 By voice vote, the motion to approve CO.13.02 passed.

12/03/12-26 RS.13.02* Resolution Proposing the Creation of a Comprehensive Integrity Statement

Student Senator Keenan Kassar noted that there is no central or comprehensive integrity statement. This resolution is not a policy, but rather a statement to promote good will.

12/03/12-27 Student senator Keenan Kassar moved approval of RS.13.02.

12/03/12-28 Student senator Maskeri (LAS) moved to amend the proposal by changing “University” to “University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign”. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

12/03/12-29 By voice vote, the motion to approve RS.13.02 passed.

Current Benefits Issues

Faculty and Academic Staff Benefits Chair John Kindt reminded those present that University resources cannot be used in support of any political activities and any political activities must not interfere with employment obligations to the University. Kindt noted that the HMO contracts have been extended until next fiscal year.

New Business

No new business.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:52 pm.

Jenny Roether, Senate Clerk

*Filed with the Senate Clerk and incorporated by reference in these minutes.