

University Senates Conference

14 June 2001

Executive Summary

The University Senates Conference (USC) held a special meeting on Thursday, 14 June 2001, at the Chicago Illini Union on the campus of the University of Illinois Chicago.

The morning session consisted of a short discussion among the members about the agenda for the day. This agenda included first a meeting with Trustee Roger Plummer concerning the Chief issue. The lunch and afternoon session was to consist of a meeting with Board of Trustee chair Gerald Shea and President Stukel.

This is the report of the meeting.

The morning session was opened shortly after 10:00 AM by Chair Frank Kopecky. He outlined the program for the day which would consist of a one hour meeting with Trustee Roger Plummer. Plummer has been appointed by the chair of the Board of Trustees as a committee of one to make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees concerning the issue of the Chief. The lunch and afternoon session would consist of a meeting with Board of Trustee Chair Gerald Shea and President James Stukel.

Conry, Fossum, Jones, Kopecky, and Rich informed those present about a telephone conference call held the day before with President Stukel on the long standing issue of sanctions less than dismissal. Kopecky informed the members about the list of topics he had sent to Trustee Shea outlining some of the points the conference wished to discuss.

The remainder of the morning session consisted of a lively and open discussion with Trustee Plummer about the issues related to the Chief. Trustee Plummer listened carefully and took notes during the discussion.

In the afternoon the conference met with President Stukel and Trustee Shea. Shea led off with remarks. Again there was a lively discussion about many issues related to the future of the University.

The University Senates Conference (USC) met on Thursday 28 June 2001 in Urbana.

President Stukel commented on the FY02 operating budget, saying it looked good both for faculty salaries and capital projects. The FY03 budget is under preparation.

President Stukel commented on several immediate challenges and priorities such as integration of new chancellors into the system.

The remainder of the meeting was devoted to discussion of administrative appointments.

The meeting adjourned at 12:03.

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