

Board Meeting  
January 21, 2010

**REVISED**

APPOINT ~~ACTING~~ **INTERIM** VICE CHANCELLOR FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS,  
URBANA

**Action:** Appoint ~~Acting~~ **Interim** Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

**Funding:** State Appropriated Funds

The Interim Provost/Chancellor at Urbana has recommended the appointment of Richard P. Wheeler, presently Professor of English, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Professor of Criticism and Interpretative Theory, Unit for Criticism, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; and Vice Provost, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, as ~~Acting~~ **Interim** Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, non-tenured, on a twelve-month service basis, with a monthly administrative increment of \$1,250, beginning January 25, 2010. It is anticipated that Dr. Wheeler will serve in this capacity until a new permanent chancellor is named and an administrative model is determined for the campus. He has served as ~~Acting~~ **Interim** Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Designate under the same terms and conditions since December 1, 2009.

Dr. Wheeler will continue to serve as Vice Provost, Office of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, non-tenured, on a twelve-month service basis, on 100 percent time, at an annual salary of \$252,950. He will also continue to hold the

rank of Professor of English, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, on indefinite tenure, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time, (non-salaried); and Professor of Criticism and Interpretive Theory, Unit for Criticism, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time (non-salaried).

He succeeds Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Robert A. Easter, who was appointed to serve as Interim Provost/Chancellor, effective November 12, 2009, and who has delegated the duties of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs to Dr. Wheeler.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

This recommendation is made following consultation with members of the Council of Deans and the Urbana-Champaign Academic Senate Executive Committee.

The Vice President for Academic Affairs concurs with this recommendation.

The Interim President of the University recommends approval.

## RICHARD P. WHEELER

## Education

Cornell College, Mount Vernon, Iowa, B.A., 1965

State University of New York at Buffalo, M.A., 1967; Ph.D., 1970

## Professional or Other Experience

State University of New York at Buffalo, Department of English, 1965-69, Teaching Assistant

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1969-75, Assistant Professor of English; 1975-87, Associate Professor of English; 1982-87, Associate Professor of Criticism and Interpretive Theory, Unit for Criticism; 1984, Associate Head, Department of English; 1987-date, Professor of English; 1987-date, Professor of Criticism and Interpretive Theory, Unit for Criticism; 1987-98, Head, Department of English; 1999-2000, Acting Head, Department of Anthropology, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; 2000-09, Dean of the Graduate College; 2007-date, Vice Provost, Office of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

State University of New York at Buffalo, Department of English, Summer 1976, Visiting Faculty