

Board Meeting  
June 9, 2011

APPOINT DEAN, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES, URBANA

Action: Appoint Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Funding: State Appropriated Funds

The Interim Vice President, University of Illinois, and Interim Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign has recommended a change to the appointment of Ruth V. Watkins, presently Harry E. Preble Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. On November 13, 2008, the Board approved a three-year term appointment for Dr. Watkins as Harry E. Preble Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, from January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2011. The Interim Vice President/Chancellor now recommends extending the appointment on an annual basis, per the University of Illinois *Statutes*, Article III, Section 3, describing the Dean of a college. The performance of the Dean shall be evaluated at least once every five years per University of Illinois *Statutes* and established procedures of the campus; the first such review will occur during Academic Year 2013-14.

In conjunction with this change in appointment term, Dr. Watkins will serve as the Harry E. Preble Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, on annual recommendation for reappointment, on a non-tenured, twelve-month service basis, on 100 percent time, at an annual salary of \$250,000 (equivalent to an annual nine-month

base salary of \$204,545 plus two-ninths annualization of \$45,455), and an administrative increment of \$30,000 for a total salary of \$280,000, effective June 16, 2011.

Dr. Watkins will continue to hold the rank of Professor of Speech and Hearing Science, on indefinite tenure, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time (non-salaried). In addition, she will continue as Professor of Psychology, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis on zero percent time (non-salaried).

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 based upon outstanding leadership demonstrated in administrative roles, strong support from the faculty and administrative leaders of the College, and the Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs.

The Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs concurs.

The President of the University recommends approval.

## RUTH V. WATKINS

## Education

University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, B.A., 1985

University of Kansas Main Campus, Lawrence, M.A., 1987; Ph.D., 1989

## Professional or Other Experience

University of Kansas, Department of Speech-Language-Hearing, Language Acquisition  
Preschool, 1988-89, Lead Teacher and Speech-Language Pathologist

University of Texas at Dallas, Callier Center for Communication Disorders, 1989-93,  
Assistant Professor; 1991-93, Program Director, Preschool Language Development  
Program

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1993-97, Assistant Professor of Speech  
and Hearing Science, College of Applied Life Studies; 1997-2004, Associate  
Professor of Speech and Hearing Science, College of Applied Life Studies; 2000-03,  
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, College of Applied Life Studies; 2003-06,  
Associate Provost (Undergraduate Education and Academic Affairs Portfolio), Office  
of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; 2004-date, Professor of  
Speech and Hearing Science, College of Applied Life Studies (now Applied Health  
Sciences); 2006-08, Vice Provost (Academic Affairs Portfolio), Office of the Provost  
and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; 2008-date, Professor of Psychology,  
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; 2009-date, Harry E. Preble Dean, College of  
Liberal Arts and Sciences