

Board Meeting
May 17, 2007

DEAN, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES, CHICAGO

Action: Approve Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Chicago

Funding: State Appropriated Funds

The Chancellor at Chicago has recommended the appointment of Dwight A. McBride, currently Chair and Leon Forrest Professor of African American Studies, and Professor of English, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, and Professor of Communication Studies, School of Communication, Northwestern University, as Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, on a twelve-month service basis, on 100 percent time, beginning August 16, 2007, at an annual base salary of \$250,000 (equivalent to an annual nine-month base salary of \$204,545 plus two-ninths annualization of \$45,455) and an additional increment of \$35,000 for a total salary of \$285,000.

Dr. McBride will be appointed to the rank of Professor of African American Studies and Professor of English, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, on indefinite tenure on an academic year service basis at zero percent time. He will also be appointed to the rank of Professor of Gender and Women's Studies, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis at zero percent time.

Dr. McBride will succeed Christopher Mark Comer, who will return to the faculty in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

As part of the leadership transition, Dr. McBride will serve as Dean Designate and Professor of African American Studies, English, and Gender and Women's Studies beginning June 18, 2007.

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 the University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

This recommendation is made with the advice of a search committee.¹

The President of the University concurs.

¹Mary Case, *Co-Chair*, Professor and University Librarian; Eric A. Gislason, *Co-Chair*, Vice Chancellor for Research and Professor of Chemistry, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Brian S. Bauer, Professor of Anthropology, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Kari A. Dueball, Academic Advisor, Department of Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Leon Fink, Professor of History, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Robert J. Gordon, Professor and Head, Department of Chemistry, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Martin Greene, Attorney at Law, Greene and Letts and Member, LAS Board of Visitors; Jessica Huang, Undergraduate Student in Biological Sciences, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Brian Kay, Professor and Head, Department of Biological Sciences, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Robin J. Mermelstein, Director of the Center for Health Behavior Research, Institute for Health Research and Policy, School of Public Health, Associate Director, Health Research and Policy Center, Center for Health Service Research, School of Public Health, and Professor of Psychology, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Charles W. Mills, UIC Distinguished Professor and Professor of Philosophy, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Kathryn Nagy, Professor of Earth and Environmental Sciences, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Barbara J. Risman, Professor and Head of Sociology and Professor of Gender and Women's Studies, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Mary Beth Rose, Director of the Institute for the Humanities and Professor of English, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Maria de los Angeles Torres, Professor and Director, Latin American and Latino Studies Program, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

DWIGHT A. MCBRIDE

Education

University of California-Los Angeles, M.A., 1993; Ph.D., 1996
Princeton University, New Jersey, A.B., 1990

Professional and Other Experience

Princeton University, New Jersey, 1989-90, Research Assistant, Afro-American Studies Program

University of California-Los Angeles, 1991-92, English Graduate Mentor, Academic Advancement Program; 1992-93, Executive Assistant to the Director, Academic Advancement Program

Santa Monica College, California, 1993-95, Instructor of English

University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 1996-99, Assistant Professor of English

University of Illinois at Chicago, 1999-2001, Assistant Professor of African American Studies and Assistant Professor of English; 2001-02, Associate Professor and Head of African American Studies, and Associate Professor of English, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Northwestern University, 2002-2005, Associate Professor of African American Studies and Associate Professor of English, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, and Associate Professor of Communication Studies, School of Communication; 2002-2004 and 2005-date, Chair², Department of African American Studies; 2004-date, Leon Forrest Professor of African American Studies, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences; 2005-date, Professor of African American Studies and Professor of English, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, and Professor of Communication Studies, School of Communication

²Dr. McBride was on leave from his position as Chair for the 2004-05 year.