

Board Meeting
May 20, 2010

ESTABLISH EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT POSITION

Action: Establish Executive Vice President Position

Funding: State Appropriated Operating Budget

Pursuant to a recommendation by the Administrative Review and Restructuring Committee appointed in November 2009 to study the organization of the University administration and make recommendations for consolidation, the President of the University recommends the position of Vice President for Academic Affairs and the position of Vice President for Technology and Economic Development be combined into a single position, Executive Vice President. This action is to become effective on the date of appointment of a person to fill the new position.

On the arrival of the new President, and at the discretion of the President, a national search to fill the position of Executive Vice President can be launched. Pending the search and nomination of an individual to serve in that capacity, the current offices of academic affairs and technology and economic development will continue under the leadership of Dr. Mrinalini Rao and Dr. Avijit Ghosh.

The new Executive Vice President will function under authority delegated by the President of the University. In its recommendation, the Administrative Review and Restructuring Committee described duties as including the full range of operations

carried by the two current vice presidents, augmented by enhanced responsibility for strategic policy and planning, resource allocation, and other functions requiring greater University-wide coordination. The Committee also anticipated that the new Executive Vice President will work closely with the Vice President/Chief Financial Officer and Comptroller, through the President, with the campus Chancellors and Provosts, members of the University Senates Conference, and other faculty and staff members within the University. The specific delegation and alignment of duties, responsibilities, and authority of the Executive Vice President, however, will be determined by the new President and not bound by this action.

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.