APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM PROVOST/CHANCELLOR, URBANA

Action: Approve Appointment of Interim Provost/Chancellor

Funding: State Appropriated Funds

President B. Joseph White and Interim President Designate Stanley O. Ikenberry recommend the appointment of Robert A. Easter, presently Professor of Animal Sciences, and Professor, Division of Nutritional Sciences, College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences; and Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at Urbana, to serve as Interim Provost/Chancellor, Urbana. For service in this capacity, Dr. Easter will receive an administrative increment of $70,905 on a twelve-month service basis, effective immediately. In addition, he will continue to serve as Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, non-tenured, on a twelve-month service basis, on 100 percent time, at an annual salary of $224,095, plus an administrative increment of $60,000, effective August 17, 2009, for a total annual salary of $355,000. As Interim Provost/Chancellor, under the direction of the President, Dr. Easter shall perform such duties as may be delegated and assigned by the President, consistent with the University Statutes, The General Rules and actions of the Board of Trustees. He succeeds Richard H. Herman who resigned October 26, 2009.
Dr. Easter will continue to hold these positions until a permanent provost and/or chancellor are/is named and prepared to assume responsibilities, following a national search.

In addition, he will continue to hold the rank of Professor of Animal Sciences, on indefinite tenure, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time (non-salaried); and Professor, Division of Nutritional Sciences, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time (non-salaried) in the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, effective August 17, 2009.

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.

We seek your approval.