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# MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS JANUARY 14, 2015

This meeting of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee was held in the Michèle M. Thompson Rooms B and C, UIC Student Center West, 828 South Wolcott Avenue, Chicago campus, Chicago, Illinois, on Wednesday, January 14, 2015, beginning at 3:08 p.m. Ms. Karen Hasara, chair of the committee, convened the meeting and asked the clerk to call the roll. The following committee members were present: Mr. Ricardo Estrada, Ms. Karen Hasara and Ms. Patricia Brown Holmes. The following student trustees were present: Ms. Hannah Cave, Springfield campus; Mr. Lucas N. Frye, Urbana campus; and Ms. Danielle M. Leibowitz, voting student trustee, Chicago campus. President Robert A. Easter and President-elect Timothy L. Killeen were also present.

The following University officers were also in attendance: Dr. Christophe Pierre, vice president for academic affairs; Mr. Thomas R. Bearrows, University counsel; and Dr. Susan M. Kies, secretary of the Board of Trustees and of the University.

Ms. Hasara thanked those present for attending and asked if there were questions or corrections regarding the minutes from the committee meeting held November 12, 2014, and there were none. On motion of Mr. Estrada, seconded by Ms. Holmes, the minutes were approved with no "nay" votes.

## REVIEW OF RECOMMENDED BOARD ITEMS FOR THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS ON JANUARY 15, 2015

Ms. Hasara introduced the Board items within the purview of the committee on the agenda for the Board of Trustees meeting the following day and asked that certain individuals make comments. The recommended Board items discussed at the meeting are on file with the clerk.

Appointments to the Faculty, Administrative/Professional Staff, and Intercollegiate Athletic Staff

Dr. Kies explained that the appointments of faculty, administrative and professional staff, and intercollegiate athletic staff recommended in this item have been thoroughly reviewed at the appropriate levels within the college, department, or unit, and that this item appears regularly on the Board's agenda. Dr. Kies then described changes in the item's format and invited Dr. Pierre and Ms. Maureen M. Parks, associate vice president, University Office of Human Resources, to comment. Dr. Pierre said that he and the provosts are working together to ensure that the campuses put faculty appointments before the Board prior to the effective date of employment, and he described the timeline for implementation. Ms. Parks stated that the current item was a test of new procedures.

Election of Timothy L. Killeen as Twentieth President, University of Illinois

Ms. Hasara then asked Dr. Kies to comment on the recommendation to approve Dr.

Killeen as the twentieth president of the University of Illinois. Dr. Kies provided

background information on the search and stated that the process was led by Ms. Pamela B. Strobel, trustee, and Dr. Douglas H. Beck, professor of physics, Urbana. Dr. Kies described the process by which the candidates were chosen and interviews conducted, and she stated that the item describes the offer to Dr. Killeen. She congratulated Dr. Killeen, followed by a round of applause. Dr. Kies then thanked University staff members who supported the search. Ms. Hasara thanked the Board office, Ms. Strobel and Dr. Beck for their contributions. Dr. Killeen stated he was honored to be selected and appreciated the magnitude of the decision.

#### Appoint Interim Chancellor, Chicago

Ms. Hasara asked President Easter to comment on the appointment of the interim chancellor of the Chicago campus. President Easter began by saying that he has enjoyed working with Dr. Killeen during the transition period. President Easter then stated that Dr. Paula Allen-Meares, chancellor, Chicago campus, and vice president, University of Illinois, has held that position for six years, and this day was the last of her term. He added that Dr. Allen-Meares has provided steadfast leadership during a tumultuous time for the University. President Easter described the transition plan toward her successor, including a two-month period that necessitated an interim chancellor. He described the process by which Dr. Eric A. Gislason, interim vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost, Chicago, was recommended for the interim chancellor position, and he thanked Dr. Gislason for his willingness to serve. President Easter recommended Dr. Gislason's appointment carry both interim chancellor and vice president for academic affairs/provost

titles, and stated that a compensation adjustment would be associated with the recommendation. Ms. Hasara commented that she looked forward to working further with Dr. Gislason.

#### Appoint Chancellor, Chicago

President Easter then stated that the search committee for the chancellor position was chaired by Dr. Mrinalini Chatta Rao, professor of physiology and biophysics, Chicago, and provided background information on the search process. President Easter said that he, Dr. Killeen and members of the Board of Trustees were involved in the interview process that lead to the recommendation of Dr. Michael D. Amiridis, presently the executive vice president for academic affairs and provost, University of South Carolina Columbia. Dr. Easter described Dr. Amiridis's background and qualifications, and added that he was pleased to present Dr. Amiridis to the Board for approval.

Tuition, Fees, and Room & Board Academic Year 2015-16

Ms. Hasara asked Dr. Pierre to provide a presentation on tuition rates, fees, and room and board rates for Academic Year 2015-16 (materials on file with the clerk). Dr. Pierre noted that similar information was presented at the Audit, Budget, Finance and Facilities committee meeting the prior week. He stated that the recommendation reflects no increase in the base tuition rate for new Illinois resident undergraduate students for Academic Year 2015-16, with inflation-related increases for non-Illinois undergraduate students and graduate and professional programs. Dr. Pierre said a modest increase is

being recommended in differential tuition in five undergraduate programs at Chicago. Dr. Pierre provided a summary of the proposed tuition and fees and room and board rates for Academic Year 2015-16 on each campus. He presented the proposed student fees for each campus, which reflect an increase of 1.1 percent at Urbana, 1.0 percent at Chicago, and 2.3 percent at Springfield, compared to the previous year. Dr. Pierre noted that most of these increases are based on inflation. He then presented the proposed room and board rates for undergraduate housing at each campus, and showed a 1.5 percent increase at Urbana, 2.0 percent increase at Chicago, and a 0.5 percent increase at Springfield, compared to the previous year. He commented on the history of increases, and stated that the freeze is designed to increase access to the University for in-state students.

Committee members thanked Dr. Pierre and others involved in reaching this recommendation, and Ms. Hasara and Mr. Estrada stated that the Board would continue to be efficient and allocate resources to the benefit of the University.

Appoint Associates to the Center for Advanced Study and Appoint Fellows to the Center for Advanced Study, Urbana

Ms. Hasara asked Dr. Ilesanmi Adesida, vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost, Urbana, to comment on five recommendations concerning the Urbana campus. Dr. Adesida began by presenting 12 faculty members as associates and eight faculty members as fellows in the Center for Advanced Study. He described the benefits of both affiliations and stated that inclusion was a desired honor across the campus.

#### Award Honorary Degrees, Urbana

Dr. Adesida then provided information on the recommendation to award honorary degrees to Dr. Ralph Cicerone, president of the National Academy of Sciences, chair of the National Research Council, and Urbana campus alumnus; Dr. Risa Lavizzo-Mourey, president and CEO, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation; and Dr. Timothy Nugent, director emeritus, Rehabilitation Education Services, and faculty member, Urbana campus. Dr. Adesida discussed each candidate's background and qualifications for the respective honors.

Rename the Center for Biophysics and Computational Biology and the Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in Biophysics and Computational Biology, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Graduate College, Urbana

Dr. Adesida reviewed the recommendation to rename the Center for Biophysics and Computational Biology and the in Biophysics and Computational Biology degrees. He stated that the center would now be the Center for Biophysics and Quantitative Biology and the graduate degrees named accordingly.

Eliminate the Master of Science in Human Factors, Graduate College, Urbana

Dr. Adesida discussed the recommendation to eliminate the Master of Science in Human

Factors. He stated that the degree was associated with the Institute of Aviation, which is

being phased out from the Urbana campus.

Reorganize, Rename, and Revise the Bachelor of Arts in Urban and Public Affairs, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs, Chicago

Ms. Hasara asked Dr. Gislason to comment on the reorganization, renaming and revision of the Bachelor of Arts in Urban and Public Affairs. Dr. Gislason provided background for on the departments and degrees involved in this recommendation. He noted concerns with the timeline for admission of these students, ownership of the program, and recognition of the degree in the professional world. Dr. Gislason described a process to address these concerns, and said that the next step is the current recommendation to change the Bachelor of Arts in Urban and Public Affairs into the Bachelor of Arts in Urban Studies, administered by the Department of Urban Planning and Policy. Dr. Gislason commented that this program would admit students as freshmen and would provide them a more nationally-recognized degree.

There were no objections to moving these items forward to the full Board.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

#### Graduate Medical Education Report

At 3:40 p.m., Ms. Hasara asked Dr. Dmitri T. Azar, dean, College of Medicine, Chicago, to give a presentation on the Graduate Medical Education Report (materials on file with the clerk). Dr. Azar stated that the accreditation standards of the Accreditation Counsel for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) require that this report be presented to the Board annually. He gave an overview of the accreditation process and reported on the outcome of the ACGME's review of the college, as well as the Clinical Learning

Environment Review (CLER) and steps being taken to address issues raised by the visiting teams.

Ms. Hasara commented on the 10-year period until the next review, and Dr. Azar responded that the ACGME recently began allowing self-study and longer time between reviews and described the reasons the college was given the lengthier period.

Ms. Hasara congratulated Dr. Azar, and Dr. Azar noted they were still waiting to hear word on the renewed full-accreditation for the surgery program.

Legislative Update: Campus Sexual Assault – A Front-Burner Issue

Ms. Hasara then asked Ms. Dedra Williams, assistant vice president for academic affairs, to present the legislative update on campus sexual assault. Ms. Williams said she is a member of the president's task force to prevent and address sexual violence, and noted that the Office of Governmental Relations will provide continued updates on this topic to the committee. She outlined federal initiatives pertaining to combatting sexual violence on college campuses, including presidential actions, reports and campaigns, as well as congressional actions, and she reported on the work being done at the University of Illinois in response to these initiatives. Ms. Williams stated that there are dedicated resources and protocols in place at the University and new procedures and improved practices were being explored. She described a recent review of the three campuses' systems and policies and described a newly established, multi-campus task force. Mr. Estrada and Ms. Williams discussed statistics on sexual assault on the campuses in comparison to national statistics. A discussion then followed regarding campus climate

surveys. Ms. Hasara noted that the committee looked forward to quarterly updates on this important topic.

### An Innovative Partnership to Meet the Nursing Education and Health Care Needs of Central Illinois

Ms. Hasara asked Dr. Lynn Pardie, vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost, Springfield, to introduce the presenters for this presentation on a partnership to meet the nursing education and health-care needs of central Illinois (materials on file with the clerk). Dr. Pardie referred to a partnership between the Chicago campus, Springfield campus, and Memorial Health System, and said that the demand for nurses with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degrees far exceeds supply in central Illinois. She discussed attributes and priorities of the Springfield campus and said that nursing is one of the most frequently requested undergraduate majors not currently offered there. Dr. Pardie then introduced Dr. James Ermatinger, dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Springfield, and Dr. Terri E. Weaver, dean, College of Nursing, Chicago. Dr. Ermatinger discussed the shortage of nurses in the Springfield area and nationally, and reviewed University discussions to address the concern. He and Dr. Weaver highlighted the qualities of their respective organizations, and Dr. Weaver listed the degrees currently offered at Chicago and the regional campuses. She discussed priorities of the College of Nursing, which she said include establishing a regional Bachelor of Science in Nursing program on the Springfield campus. Dr. Weaver told the committee that approval to offer programs leading to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Advanced Generalist Master of Science, and Doctor of Nursing Practice was received by the Illinois Board of

Nursing and the Illinois Board of Higher Education in September 2014. She then discussed investment and support provided by Memorial Health System and said their priority is to increase the number of highly-qualified nursing professionals at their institution. Dr. Weaver provided information regarding program implementation for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing and explained that students will complete their prerequisite coursework at Springfield during their first two years of study, followed by two years of UIC nursing coursework to be completed in Springfield. She also commented on implementation for graduate programs. Dr. Pardie stated that the campuses are proud to partner with Memorial Health System to meet their mutual and respective goals. Ms. Hasara stated that she had spoken to the CEO of Memorial Health System, who complimented the leadership of Dr. Susan J. Koch, chancellor, Springfield, and vice president, University of Illinois. She noted this partnership as being an excellent economic development tool for the region, and she thanked Dr. Weaver and the Springfield campus faculty and staff for their contributions. Ms. Hasara and Dr. Weaver then discussed the College of Nursing's online degree completion program in Chicago. Mr. Estrada noted that this presentation was also given at the University Healthcare System committee meeting and stated that the committee was supportive.

How Academic Programs Are Created/Modified on the University of Illinois Campus at Urbana-Champaign

Ms. Hasara asked Dr. Gay Y. Miller, professor of epidemiology and preventive medicine, Urbana, to provide a presentation on how academic programs are created and modified on the Urbana campus (materials on file with the clerk). Dr. Miller provided information

on her background and stated that her presentation would be about the Urbana campus but would likely reflect the experiences of other campuses. She stated that the Urbana campus has a long history in shared governance and that changes in academic programs involves review and input at many levels. Dr. Miller listed the types of educational policy changes that might be suggested and how they move forward. She stated that proposed changes include a review by departments, colleges, the Graduate College (if necessary), the provost's office, and the Urbana Senate's Committee for Educational Policy. Dr. Miller described the process and criteria by which the committee analyzes and puts forth policy changes to the Urbana Senate and then to the University Senates Conference. She stated that proposals then go to the Urbana provost's office, and from there are sent to the relevant bodies, which may include the Board of Trustees or Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE). Dr. Miller described the process behind major changes to curriculum – terminations, separations, transfers, mergers or changes of status to academic units – which includes a public hearing process. She noted that all proposals, charges, membership and more are publically available on the web. Mr. Estrada inquired about the hearings, and Dr. Miller provided further information. Ms. Hasara and Dr. Miller discussed the average length of time for a proposal to complete the process, and Dr. Killeen and Dr. Miller discussed the long-term trends in the complexity and number of programs offered.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no business conducted under this aegis.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Hasara announced that the next meeting of this committee is scheduled for March 11, 2015, at 3:00 p.m., at the Urbana campus.

#### COMMITTEE MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, and on motion of Mr. Frye, seconded by Ms. Holmes with no "nay" votes, the meeting adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

SUSAN M. KIES Clerk

KAREN HASARA Chair

AUBRIE L. WILLIAMS

Assistant Clerk