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MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS  
MARCH 11, 2015

This meeting of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee was held in Illini Rooms B and C, Illini Union, 1401 West Green Street, Urbana campus, Urbana, Illinois, on Wednesday, March 11, 2015, beginning at 3:05 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. The following trustees were also in attendance as guests: Mr. Ramón Cepeda, Mr. Patrick J. Fitzgerald, Dr. Timothy N. Koritz, Mr. Edward L. McMillan, Mr. James D. Montgomery. Mr. Lester H. McKeever, treasurer, was also present. President Robert A. Easter and President-designate Timothy L. Killeen were also present.

The following University officers were also in attendance: Dr. Phyllis M. Wise, chancellor, Urbana campus, and vice president, University of Illinois; Dr. Eric A. Gislason, interim chancellor, Chicago campus, and vice president, University of Illinois; Dr. Christophe Pierre, vice president for academic affairs; Mr. Walter K. Knorr, comptroller (and vice president/chief financial officer); Dr. Lawrence B. Schook, vice president for research; Dr. Jerry L. Bauman, interim vice president for health affairs; Mr. Thomas R.

Bearrows, University counsel; Mr. Thomas P. Hardy, executive director for University relations; and Dr. Susan M. Kies, secretary of the Board of Trustees and of the University.

Attached is a listing of other staff members and some members of the media in attendance at this meeting.

Ms. Hasara thanked those present for attending and asked if there were questions or corrections regarding the minutes from the committee meeting held January 14, 2015, and there were none. On motion of Mr. Estrada, seconded by Mr. Frye, 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 MARCH 12, 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.

### Sabbatical Leaves of Absence, 2015-16

Next, Dr. Pierre provided information regarding the item recommending sabbatical leaves of absence for Academic Year 2015-16. Dr. Pierre provided a presentation (materials on file with the clerk) that outlined the purpose of sabbatical leaves of absence, and he presented an overview of the process. He referred to an elaborate review process, and he discussed related policies and eligibility requirements. Dr. Pierre reported that there are 175 requests for sabbatical leave for Academic Year 2015-16, which corresponds to approximately 10 percent of eligible faculty. He stated that about 90 percent of approved sabbatical leaves are taken and approximately 75 percent of requests are for one semester. Dr. Pierre reviewed the number of requests from each campus. Ms. Hasara asked about amount of sabbatical salaries, and Dr. Pierre stated that sabbatical salary is based on the number of years the faculty member has served.

### Rename the Master of Arts in Teacher Leadership, College of Education and Human Services, Springfield

Dr. Lynn Pardie, vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost, Springfield, provided information regarding the recommendation to the Master of Arts in Teacher Leadership. Dr. Pardie stated that the proposed name – Master of Arts in Education – better reflects the breadth and depth of the curriculum, distinguishes the program from a state-level endorsement for teachers, and supports student recruitment efforts.



Rename the Master of Science in Pharmacology and Doctor of Philosophy  
in Pharmacology, College of Medicine, Chicago

Dr. Gislason provided information regarding the recommendation to the Master of Science in Pharmacology and Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmacology, Chicago. Dr. Gislason stated that the name of these degrees would change to the Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in Cellular and Molecular Pharmacology, reflecting the research and training done in the department and similar changes made at other universities.

Resolution Concerning College of Medicine on the Urbana-Champaign Campus

At 3:17 p.m., Ms. Hasara asked Dr. Easter to present information on the resolution concerning the College of Medicine, Urbana. Dr. Easter provided background information on the review process for the proposal. He reviewed the criteria by which the Urbana campus proposal for an independent college should be judged, including advancement of the land-grant mission of the University, advancement of the research and educational mission of the Urbana campus, and the viability of the economic and governance model. Dr. Easter stated that the proposal met those criteria. He commented on the valuable role of the College of Medicine in Chicago and its contribution to the health sciences and community. He also noted that there were issues that would need to be navigated, and he provided examples. Dr. Easter said he recommended approval of the recommendation at the following day's Board meeting, and he discussed possible next steps and goals. Mr. Montgomery asked about Carle Healthcare System's long-term financial support of the proposed college. Dr. Wise and Dr. James C. Leonard, president and chief executive officer, The Carle Foundation, provided further details. Discussions were had on the

potential effect of donors giving to this proposal instead of others at the University; on the potential relationship between and culture surrounding the proposed college and the College of Medicine in Chicago; and on the future of medicine and medical education. Ms. Hasara thanked everyone for their remarks.

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

## PRESENTATIONS

### Enrollment Update

At 3:47 p.m., Ms. Hasara asked Dr. Pierre to provide an update on enrollment (materials on file with the clerk). Dr. Pierre provided charts depicting total University enrollment and presented several types of data related to enrollment at each campus. He then asked Dr. Charles L. Tucker III, vice provost for undergraduate education and innovation, Urbana, to discuss changes in the application process at that campus. Dr. Tucker described the experimental move to a single-notification date, the rationale for the change, and the evaluation process. Some trustees noted that members of the public had expressed concern, and a discussion was had regarding the change. Mr. Montgomery inquired about financial aid in the application process, and Dr. Tucker provided details. Dr. Gislason, Dr. Pardie, and Dr. Ilesanmi Adesida, vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost, Urbana, reported on their respective campuses' application process and statistics. Ms. Hasara inquired about the amount of academic scholarships awarded, and Dr. Tucker provided information. Discussions were had regarding informing the public about the tuition freeze;

the selectivity factor in college rankings; the admission of students in minority, poor, rural and in-state demographics; and financial aid programs.

### 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 May 6, 2015, at 3:00 p.m., at the Springfield campus. Mr. McMillan commented on the attendance at this meeting, and he complimented University officials and trustees for preparing for the day's agenda. Ms. Hasara noted the installation of Ms. Jill B. Smart, new trustee, at the May meeting of the Board.

### COMMITTEE MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, and on motion of Ms. Holmes, seconded by Mr. Estrada with no "nay" votes, the meeting adjourned at 4:41 p.m.



SUSAN M. KIES  
*Clerk*



KAREN HASARA  
*Chair*



AUBRIE L. WILLIAMS  
*Assistant Clerk*