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SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

MARCH 15, 2016

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 Tuesday, March 15, 2016, beginning at 3:00 p.m.

Trustee 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. Ms. Patricia Brown Holmes was absent. The following student trustees were present: Mr. Dominique Wilson, voting student trustee, Springfield campus; Mr. Jaylin D. McClinton, Urbana campus; Mr. Jauwan Hall¹, Chicago campus. Ms. Jill B. Smart, trustee, and President Timothy L. Killeen were present.

The following University officers were also present: Dr. Barbara J. Wilson, interim chancellor, Urbana campus, and interim vice president, University of Illinois; Dr. Michael D. Amiridis, chancellor, Chicago campus, and vice president, University of Illinois; Dr. Susan J. Koch, chancellor, Springfield campus, and vice president, University of Illinois; Dr. Christophe Pierre, vice president for academic affairs; Mr.

¹ Mr. Hall arrived at 3:23 p.m.

Walter K. Knorr, comptroller (and vice president/chief financial officer); Dr. Lawrence B. Schook, vice president for research; Mr. Thomas R. Bearrows, University counsel; Mr. Thomas P. Hardy, executive director for University relations; Dr. Susan M. Kies, secretary of the Board of Trustees and of the University, and Ms. Dedra M. Williams, secretary designate 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 asked if there were questions or corrections regarding the minutes from the committee meeting held January 20, 2016, and there were none. On motion of Mr. Estrada, seconded by Mr. McClinton, 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 16, 2016

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

Ms. Hasara asked Dr. Kies to comment on the item recommending 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 vetted and reviewed at the appropriate levels within the college, department, or unit, and she encouraged committee members to contact her with any questions. Dr. Kies highlighted appointments listed under the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs and explained that these reflect the change from the Office of the Vice President for Health Affairs in University Administration to the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs, reporting to the Chicago campus.

Sabbatical Leaves of Absence, 2016-17

Next, Ms. Hasara asked Dr. Pierre to give a presentation on the recommendation for sabbatical leaves of absence for Academic Year 2016-17 (materials on file with the clerk). Dr. Pierre discussed the purpose of sabbatical leaves of absence and said it provides a highly focused period of time for faculty development. He reviewed the process of application and review, noting that it is very rigorous, and he described policies related to eligibility for sabbatical leaves of absence. Dr. Pierre gave an overview of sabbatical requests for Academic Year 2016-17. Ms. Hasara commented on the areas of research of those faculty approved for sabbatical leaves of absence, and discussion followed regarding the handling of teaching responsibilities for faculty members during a sabbatical leave of absence.

Appoint Interim Vice Chancellor for
Academic Affairs and Provost, Springfield

Ms. Hasara then asked Dr. Koch to comment on the recommendation to appoint Dr. James W. Ermatinger, presently professor, Department of History; dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; and interim dean, College of Public Affairs and Administration, University of Illinois at Springfield, as interim vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost at Springfield. Dr. Koch stated that Dr. Ermatinger will succeed Dr. Lynn Pardie, who is retiring on May 31, 2016. Dr. Koch described Dr. Ermatinger's background, experience, and attributes and said she is confident that Dr. Ermatinger will provide outstanding leadership and opportunities for collaboration.

Appoint Interim Dean, Library Instructional Services, Springfield

Next, Ms. Hasara asked Dr. Pardie, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, Springfield, to report on the recommendation to appoint Dr. Hanfu Mi, presently professor of teacher education and dean, College of Education and Human Services, Springfield, as interim dean, library instructional services, Springfield. Dr. Pardie said that Dr. Mi will succeed Ms. Jane B. Treadwell, who is resigning as dean of library instructional services, effective April 30, 2016. She described Dr. Mi's background and experience and explained that this will be a brief interim appointment as the search for a permanent dean will be underway soon.

Establish the Master of Science in Data Analytics,
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Springfield

Dr. Pardie then discussed the recommendation to establish the Master of Science in Data Analytics, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Springfield. She told the committee that this proposed degree is a combined effort between two departments and features an interdisciplinary curriculum. Dr. Pardie described aspects of the degree program and described its goals and objectives.

Establish the Bachelor of Arts in Theatre,
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Springfield

Next, Dr. Pardie provided information on the recommendation to establish the Bachelor of Arts in Theatre, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Springfield, and said the establishment of this degree is consistent with the strategic plan for the campus. She described aspects of the degree program and coursework associated with it, and she said that many of the skills gained through this degree are transferrable to other fields.

Committee members inquired about anticipated enrollment for both proposed degree programs, and Dr. Pardie stated that in three years, it is expected that there will be 72 majors in data analytics and 40 in theatre.

Appoint Faculty Fellows to the Institute for the Humanities,
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Chicago

Ms. Hasara then asked Dr. Susan Poser, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs at Chicago, to comment on the recommendation to appoint faculty fellows to the Institute

for the Humanities in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Chicago. Dr. Poser listed the six faculty members recommended for appointments as fellows to the Institute for the Humanities for Academic Year 2016-17, and explained that these individuals would be released from teaching duties for one year.

Reorganize the Department of Pediatrics, College of Medicine at Peoria, Chicago

Next, Dr. Robert A. Barish, vice chancellor for health affairs at Chicago, discussed the recommendation to reorganize the Department of Pediatrics in the College of Medicine at Peoria, Chicago, from its present structure of a department organized with a chair to a department organized with a head. He referred to the majority vote by faculty in the Department of Pediatrics that approved this change and described the role of a department head. Dr. Barish stated that this proposed structure will be more in line with the way in which the department functions and will result in a sustained leadership benefit.

PRESENTATIONS

President's Task Force to Prevent and Address Sexual Violence and Misconduct: A Status Update

Ms. Hasara then asked Dr. Rebecca Gordon, Title IX coordinator, Chicago campus, and Ms. Kaamilyah Abdullah-Span, deputy Title IX coordinator, Urbana campus, to give an update on the president's task force to prevent and address sexual violence and misconduct. Dr. Gordon and Ms. Abdullah-Span began their presentation (materials on

file with the clerk) by reviewing the task force composition and charge, and said the task force was established by former President Robert A. Easter. The presenters listed the deliverables of the task force and gave an overview of campus policies and procedures, and they described coordination with local communities and partners. Lastly, they discussed next steps for the task force and proposed converting it to a standing committee.

Discussion followed regarding the work of the task force, and Ms. Smart inquired about working with peer institutions and mandatory training for students. Dr. Gordon and Ms. Abdullah-Span discussed training requirements for students, faculty, and staff. They also responded to questions regarding the decision to designate all faculty and staff as responsible employees and discussed the benefits of this. President Killeen commented on the statistics of underreporting and emphasized the importance of establishing a culture of confidentiality. Additional discussion followed regarding the campus climate survey, data regarding preventative measures, and reasons for underreporting.

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 18, 2016, at 11:00 a.m., at the Springfield campus.

COMMITTEE MEETING ADJOURNED

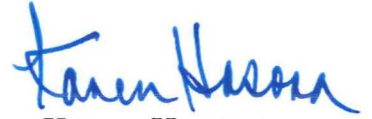
There being no further business, and on motion of Mr. McClinton, seconded by Mr.

Estrada with no "nay" votes, the meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



SUSAN M. KIES
Clerk



KAREN HASARA
Chair



EILEEN B. CABLE
Assistant Clerk