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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

JULY 12, 2017

This meeting of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee was held in Michèle M. Thompson Rooms B and C, UIC Student Center West, 828 South Wolcott Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, on Wednesday, July 12, 2017, beginning at 10:48 a.m.

Trustee Jill B. Smart, chair of the committee, convened the meeting and asked the clerk to call the roll. The following committee members were present: Mr. Ramón Cepeda, Mr. Donald J. Edwards, Ms. Jill B. Smart. The following student trustees were present: Ms. Karina Reyes, voting student trustee, Chicago; Mr. Trayshawn M.W. Mitchell, Urbana; Mr. Edwin Robles, Springfield. President Timothy L. Killeen was in attendance.

The following University officers were also present: Dr. Barbara J. Wilson, executive vice president and vice president for academic affairs; Dr. Robert J. Jones, chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and vice president, University of Illinois; Dr. Michael D. Amiridis, chancellor, University of Illinois at Chicago, and vice president, University of Illinois; Dr. Susan J. Koch, chancellor, University of Illinois at Springfield, and vice president, University of Illinois; Mr. Walter K. Knorr, comptroller (and vice president/chief financial officer); Dr. Edward Seidel, vice president for

economic development and innovation; Mr. Thomas R. Bearrows, University counsel; and Ms. Dedra M. Williams, secretary of the Board of Trustees and of the University.

Mr. Thomas P. Hardy, executive director for University relations, was also present.

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

Ms. Smart welcomed Dr. Dennis Papini, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, Springfield, and the newly appointed student trustees. She asked if there were questions or corrections regarding the minutes from the committee meeting held May 10, 2017, and there were none. On motion of Mr. Cepeda, seconded by Mr. Edwards, 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 JULY 13, 2017

Ms. Smart introduced the Board items within the purview of the committee on the agenda for the Board of Trustees meeting the following day and asked certain individuals to comment on them. 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. Smart asked Ms. Williams to comment on the item recommending appointments to the faculty, administrative/professional staff, and intercollegiate athletic staff. Ms. Williams 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.

Promotions in Academic Rank and Change in Tenure, 2017-2018

Ms. Smart asked Dr. Wilson to provide information on the recommendation for promotions in academic rank and change in tenure for the 2017-2018 appointment year.

Dr. Wilson stated that this recommendation reflects an exceptional level of accomplishment by members of the faculty throughout the University. She said the promotion and tenure process involves extensive review at many levels. She reported that 242 faculty promotions are recommended this year, with 116 at Urbana, 110 at Chicago, and 16 at Springfield. She told the committee that there were 213 faculty members recommended for promotion last year.

Appoint Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, Chicago

Ms. Smart then asked Dr. Amiridis to discuss the recommendation to appoint Mr. Jason Rex Tolliver, presently interim vice chancellor for student affairs, Chicago, and director of auxiliary services, Chicago, as vice chancellor for student affairs. Dr. Amiridis said that Mr. Tolliver has had a strong positive impact and exhibited excellent management skills while serving as interim vice chancellor for student affairs, and Dr. Amiridis cited some new programs and dining options implemented by Mr. Tolliver while serving in this interim role. Dr. Amiridis said the position was offered to Mr. Tolliver in lieu of

conducting a national search. He introduced Mr. Tolliver, and Mr. Cepeda remarked that the University is lucky to have Mr. Tolliver serving in this role.

Appoint Dean, School of Public Health, Chicago

Next, Ms. Smart asked Dr. Robert A. Barish, vice chancellor for health affairs, Chicago, to report on the recommendation to appoint Dr. Wayne H. Giles, presently division director of the Division for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, as dean, School of Public Health, Chicago. Dr. Barish described Dr. Giles' background and experience and said that this recommendation comes as a result of a national search.

Appoint Acting Dean, College of Medicine, Chicago

Dr. Barish then commented on the recommendation to appoint Dr. Charles E. Ray Jr., presently professor and head, Department of Radiology, and physician surgeon, and chief of service, College of Medicine at Chicago, as acting dean, College of Medicine at Chicago, for a one-year term. He stated that Dr. Ray will succeed Dr. Dimitri T. Azar, who will be taking a partial unpaid leave from the University to pursue another opportunity. Dr. Barish stated that this recommendation is being made after consultation with the chancellor and those in the College of Medicine.

Amend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Senate *Constitution*, Urbana

Ms. Smart then asked Dr. Jones to give an overview of the proposed amendments to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Senate *Constitution*. Dr. Jones discussed proposed amendments to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Senate *Constitution* and said that these changes pertain to the participation of specialized faculty in the Senate. He indicated that there are more than 600 faculty members who have an appointment of at least 50 percent and are not on the tenure track and are categorized as specialized faculty, and he reported that this amendment would enable them to more fully participate in the shared governance process. Ms. Smart indicated that this was also discussed at the Governance, Personnel, and Ethics Committee meeting, and Dr. Jones said that this amendment has full support from the tenure system faculty. Discussion followed regarding the composition of the Academic Senate at Urbana and the structure of senates at other institutions, and Dr. Jones provided additional information about the authority of the Senate. President Killeen referred to the guiding documents of the University, noting that the University is a paragon of shared governance. Committee members then discussed the proposed amendments and the composition of the faculty, and President Killeen told the committee that this is a substantial and positive change that will help recruit and retain talented individuals and allow specialized faculty to be more connected to the University. Some additional discussion followed, and Dr. Wilson commented that Urbana was a national leader in changing the language used to describe these valuable members of the faculty and committing to promotional paths, strong employment practices, and involvement in shared governance for them.

Appoint Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, Urbana

Dr. Jones then reported on the recommendation to appoint Dr. Danita M. Brown Young, presently vice provost for student affairs and dean of students, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, Minneapolis, as vice chancellor for student affairs, Urbana. Dr. Jones described Dr. Brown Young's background and experience and said she is one of the best in her field and has demonstrated experience in contemporary issues. He told the committee that this recommendation comes as a result of a national search and that Dr. Brown Young will succeed Dr. C. Renée Romano, who retired in May 2017.

Appoint Dean, College of Education, Urbana

Ms. Smart then asked Mr. John P. Wilkin, interim vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost, Urbana, to discuss the recommendation to appoint Dr. James D. Anderson, presently professor of education policy, organization and leadership; Edward William and Jane Marr Gutsell Professor of History of American Education, Department of Education Policy, Organization and Leadership; Center for Advanced Study professor of education policy, organization and leadership; interim dean, College of Education; professor of African American studies; and professor of history, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, as dean, College of Education, Urbana. Mr. Wilkin stated that Dr. Anderson has been serving as interim dean since August 2016 and succeeds Dr. Mary Kalantzis. He said this is a term appointment through August 15, 2020.

Appoint Professors to the Center for Advanced Study, Urbana

Next, Mr. Wilkin provided information on the recommendation to appoint professors to the Center for Advanced Study, Urbana. He said professors in the Center for Advanced Study are permanent members and are chosen for their outstanding scholarship. Mr. Wilkin told the committee that appointment to a professorship in the Center for Advanced Study is one of the highest academic recognitions that the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign can bestow upon a member of its faculty, and he listed the faculty members that are being recommended this year.

Establish the Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Music,
College of Fine and Applied Arts, Urbana

Mr. Wilkin then discussed the recommendation to establish the Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Music in the College of Fine and Applied Arts at Urbana. He reported that this is one of several new CS + X programs, and he described the goals of the program, which he said is based on areas of strength for Urbana. Mr. Wilkin listed the types of careers that might be pursued by the graduates in this field, and he told the committee that a few dozen students are expected to enroll initially, with an increase in enrollment after that first year.

Establish the Master of Journalism in Journalism,
College of Media and the Graduate College, Urbana

Next, Mr. Wilkin commented on the recommendation to establish the Master of Journalism in the College of Media and the Graduate College at Urbana, and he said that this degree compliments the Master of Science in Journalism already offered by providing a greater focus on professional skills across multiple media. He said it can also be combined with the existing Bachelor of Science in Journalism for a five-year, professionally oriented and accelerated program. He told the committee the program is self-supporting.

Establish the Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education,
College of Education, Urbana

Mr. Wilkin then discussed the recommendation to establish the Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education in the College of Education at Urbana with a concentration in Mathematics. He said the program has been designed to align with all Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) standards for licensure and focuses on mathematics for secondary education. He said this provides a second avenue for preparation for mathematics teachers and is an effort to increase the number of graduates in mathematics education.

Eliminate the Master of Arts in Economics, College of
Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Graduate College, Urbana

Next, Mr. Wilkin provided information on the recommendation to eliminate the Master of Arts in Economics in the College of Liberal Arts and the Graduate College at Urbana. He said that the Department of Economics currently offers a Master of Arts and a Master of Science, but that students cannot apply directly to the Master of Arts program. He said that the Master of Arts has not been awarded in more than 10 years and that it is not necessary to offer both programs.

Establish the Master of Athletic Training,
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Springfield

Next, Ms. Smart asked Dr. Papini to report on the recommendation to establish the Master of Athletic Training in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Springfield. Dr. Papini told the committee that the Master of Athletic Training will combine classroom, laboratory, and clinical experience focusing on the prevention, recognition, treatment, and rehabilitation of athletic injuries. He referred to a previous proposal for a bachelor's level program that was approved by the Board and explained that a master's degree is now required in this field of study.

Eliminate the Master of Science in Biology,
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Springfield

Dr. Papini then provided information on the recommendation to eliminate the Master of Science in Biology in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Springfield. He said

department faculty voted to eliminate the program due to low enrollment and the high cost of graduate-level research in biology. He reported that currently enrolled students will be able to complete the program and that admission has been suspended for several years.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no business conducted under this aegis.

NEW BUSINESS

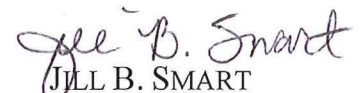
Ms. Smart announced that the next meeting of this committee is scheduled for September 6, 2017, at 3:00 p.m., at Urbana.

COMMITTEE MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, and on motion of Mr. Cepeda, seconded by Mr. Edwards with no "nay" votes, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


DEDRA M. WILLIAMS
Clerk


JILL B. SMART
Chair


EILEEN B. CABLE
Assistant Clerk