

MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
JULY 19, 2023

This meeting of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois was held in the Isadore and Sadie Dorin Forum, Rooms D, E, and F, 725 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago, Illinois, on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, beginning at 4:06 p.m.

Trustee Tami Craig Schilling, chair of the committee, convened the meeting and asked the secretary to call the roll. The following committee members were present: Ms. Tami Craig Schilling; Mr. Joseph Gutman; Mr. Mohammed A. Haq, voting student trustee, Chicago; Mr. Kyle Ingram, student trustee, Springfield; Ms. Sanchita Teeka, student trustee, Urbana. Mr. Donald J. Edwards and Ms. Patricia Brown Holmes were absent.

Also present were President Timothy L. Killeen; Mr. Lester H. McKeever Jr., treasurer; Dr. Nicholas P. Jones, executive vice president and vice president for academic affairs; Dr. Robert J. Jones, chancellor, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, and vice president, University of Illinois System; Dr. Marie Lynn Miranda, chancellor, University of Illinois Chicago, and vice president, University of Illinois System; Dr. Janet L. Gooch, chancellor, University of Illinois Springfield, and vice president, University of Illinois System; Dr. Paul N. Ellinger, comptroller (and vice

president/chief financial officer); Ms. Adrienne Nazon, vice president of external relations and communications; Mr. Thomas R. Bearrows, University counsel; and Dr. Jeffrey A. Stein, secretary of the Board of Trustees and of the University. Attached is a listing of others in attendance at this meeting.

Ms. Craig Schilling welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked if there were questions or corrections regarding the minutes from the committee meeting held May 17, 2023. There were none. On motion of Mr. Haq, seconded by Mr. Ingram, the minutes were approved. There were no “nay” votes.

Ms. Craig Schilling commented on the transition to employment for many recent graduates. She also welcomed the student trustees and introduced them to members of the committee.

REVIEW OF RECOMMENDED BOARD ITEMS
FOR THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS ON JULY 20, 2023

Ms. Craig Schilling introduced the recommended items within the purview of this committee that are scheduled for the Board’s agenda at its meeting on July 20, 2023, and asked certain individuals to comment on them. The recommended Board items discussed at the meeting are on file with the secretary.

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

Ms. Craig Schilling asked Dr. Stein to comment on the item recommending appointments to the faculty, administrative/professional staff, and intercollegiate athletic staff. Dr. Stein

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 he encouraged committee members to contact him with any questions.

Promotions in Academic Rank and Change in Tenure, 2023-2024

Next, Ms. Craig Schilling asked Dr. Nicholas Jones to discuss recommendations for promotions in academic rank and change in tenure for Academic Year 2023-2024. Dr. Jones emphasized the importance of these recommendations to promote and tenure faculty and referred to the rigorous review process and well-established procedures. He said that 123 faculty are being recommended at Urbana, 122 at Chicago, and 10 at Springfield.

Approve Pilot Tuition Program for St. Charles and St. Louis Counties in Missouri and Scott County in Iowa, Springfield

Dr. Nicholas Jones then discussed the recommendation to approve a pilot tuition program for St. Charles and St. Louis counties in Missouri and Scott County in Iowa for the University of Illinois Springfield. He said the pilot program would offer in-state tuition to students residing in those counties. Dr. Jones said University of Illinois Springfield is recognized as a regionally affordable option for in-state students but is challenged to be competitive with other regional universities in the state that offer discounted rates to nonresident students. He told the committee this program could have a significant impact on enrollment and revenue. Mr. Haq and Dr. Jones discussed plans to evaluate the

success of the program, and Dr. Jones said results would be shared after a three-year period.

Approve Revocation of Doctor of Philosophy Degree, Urbana

Ms. Craig Schilling then asked Dr. Robert Jones to report on the recommendation to approve the revocation of a former student's Doctor of Philosophy in Industrial Education degree. Dr. Jones stated that the Office for the Vice Chancellor of Research and Innovation (OVCRI) at Urbana conducted a thorough review pursuant to the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign *Policy on Integrity in Research and Publication*. He said OVCRI provided the former student with appropriate due process rights, including notice, an opportunity to be heard, and an appeal. Dr. Jones stated that a panel of three faculty members and one graduate student reviewed the relevant evidence and found that the former student had plagiarized portions of his dissertation and a published article. He said the panel recommended that the former student's degree be revoked. Dr. Jones stated that he concurs and that the president affirmed the decision. Mr. Haq asked if the degree could be earned back, and Dr. Jones said he believes the revocation is final.

Appoint Dean, School of Social Work, Urbana

Next, Ms. Craig Schilling asked Dr. William T. Bernhard, executive vice provost for academic affairs, Urbana, to discuss the recommendation to appoint Dr. Benjamin James Lough as the dean of the School of Social Work at Urbana. Dr. Bernhard said this

recommendation is being made after consultation with the faculty in the School of Social Work. He said Dr. Lough currently serves as professor in the School of Social Work and will succeed Dr. Steven G. Anderson, who served as dean until May 15, 2023, and has returned to the faculty. Dr. Bernhard described Dr. Lough's background and experience and said he has served as dean designate since May 16, 2023.

Appoint Interim Dean, College of Law, Urbana

Next, Dr. Bernhard reported on the recommendation to appoint Ms. Verity Winship, presently professor and associate dean for academic affairs, College of Law, Urbana, as interim dean of the College of Law, Urbana. Dr. Bernhard said that she succeeds Mr. Vikram D. Amar, who has returned to the faculty. He said Ms. Winship's appointment as interim dean received the support of the leadership team and senior members of the faculty in the College of Law. He described Ms. Winship's background and experience and said she began serving as interim dean designate on July 1, 2023.

Extend Term, Dean, College of Media, Urbana

Dr. Bernhard then provided information on the recommendation to extend the term of the dean of the College of Media at Urbana. Dr. Bernhard stated that Dr. Tracey E. Sulkin has served as dean of the College of Media on a term appointment since September 2018, with the current term ending August 15, 2023. He said the chancellor recommends an extension of the current term appointment by five years, through August 15, 2028. He described the results of her five-year review and referred to successful fundraising and

effective budget management, and he said an extension of her term will ensure continued and stable leadership. He said the nomination is made in consultation with department leaders, members of the executive committee, faculty, and staff in the college.

Extend Term, Dean, College of Fine and Applied Arts, Urbana

Dr. Bernhard reported on the recommendation to extend the term of the dean of the College of Fine and Applied Arts at Urbana. He said Mr. Kevin Hamilton has served as dean of the College of Fine and Applied Arts on a term appointment beginning in September 2018, with the current term ending on August 15, 2023. Dr. Bernhard said the chancellor recommends an extension of this term through August 15, 2024, and he said a national search for a permanent dean is underway. He said this nomination is made in consultation with department leaders, members of the executive committee, faculty, and staff in the college.

Establish the Center for Culturally Responsive Evaluation and Assessment as a Permanent Center, College of Education, Urbana

Dr. Bernhard stated that the next five items pertain to recommendations granting permanent status to centers at Urbana. He explained that granting permanent status to a center means that it is expected that the center will exist for many years. He told the committee that a prescribed process is required to disband a permanent center. Dr. Bernhard stated that granting permanent status sends a strong message and can have a positive impact on the recruitment of students and faculty, as well as research funding. He then discussed the recommendation to establish the Center for Culturally Responsive

Evaluation and Assessment (CREA) as a permanent center in the College of Education. Dr. Bernhard gave some background on this leading research center and described its area of focus, activities, and partnerships. He said there is no anticipated impact to faculty, students, or facilities.

Establish the Illinois Global Institute as a Permanent Institute, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Urbana; Establish the Center for Global Studies as a Permanent Center, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Urbana; Establish the Center for South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies as a Permanent Center, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Urbana; Establish the Women and Gender in Global Perspectives Program as a Permanent Center, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Urbana

Dr. Bernhard then provided information on the recommendation to establish the Illinois Global Institute (IGI) as a permanent institute and the recommendations to establish Center for Global Studies; the Center for South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies; and the Women and Gender in Global Perspectives Program as permanent centers. He noted that while these are four separate recommendations, he would discuss them together as a package. Dr. Bernhard referred to the establishment of the Illinois Global Institute as an umbrella organization to bring together area studies centers, global studies centers, and other entities focusing on international affairs and said that these recommendations would make the IGI a permanent institute and would grant permanent status to these centers. He noted that some centers within the IGI are already permanent. Dr. Bernhard then described the history and role of each center and the IGI. He told the committee that IGI has strong and stable external funding and its units are nationally and internationally recognized. He said there is no anticipated impact on faculty and staff teaching loads, course enrollments, or facilities.

Eliminate the Master of Arts in Teaching of Social Studies,
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Graduate College, Urbana

Next, Dr. Bernhard reported on the recommendation to eliminate the Master of Arts in Teaching of Social Studies in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Graduate College, Urbana, and said a student was last enrolled in 1983. He stated that prospective teachers instead enroll in the Master of Education in Secondary Education with a concentration in History.

Ms. Craig Schilling thanked Dr. Bernhard for the information on these recommendations and expressed appreciation for his service to the University and the committee.

Appoint Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Chicago

Ms. Craig Schilling asked Dr. Miranda to discuss the recommendation to appoint Dr. Karen J. Colley, presently acting provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, Chicago; dean of the Graduate College, Chicago; and professor of biochemistry and molecular genetics, College of Medicine at Chicago, as provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, Chicago, on a term appointment beginning July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025. Dr. Miranda referred to her recent arrival as chancellor at the university and said it is a time of transition. She told the committee that rather than starting the search for a new provost, she recommended appointing Dr. Colley as provost with a term appointment. Dr. Miranda described Dr. Colley's background and experience, stating that she is a talented scholar and proven administrator. Dr. Miranda said she consulted many

across the university prior to making this recommendation, and she referred to Dr. Colley's service to students and dedication to the mission of the university. Mr. Haq stated that Dr. Colley is beloved at the university and commented on her dedication to the university. President Killeen added that he and Dr. Nicholas Jones strongly support this appointment.

Appoint Dean, College of Business Administration, Chicago

Ms. Craig Schilling asked Dr. Colley to report on the recommendation to appoint Dr. Sandra J. Wayne, presently professor of managerial studies and interim dean, College of Business Administration, as dean, College of Business Administration, Chicago. Dr. Colley described Dr. Wayne's background and experience and said that the search committee found Dr. Wayne to be forward-looking and highlighted her exceptional scholarship. Dr. Colley listed Dr. Wayne's accomplishments while serving as interim dean, and she said she succeeds Dr. Michael Mikhail, who returned to the faculty effective July 1, 2022.

Eliminate the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences,
Major in Classical Languages and Literatures,
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Chicago

Dr. Colley then reported on the recommendation to eliminate the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences, major in Classical Languages and Literatures, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Chicago. She stated that admissions to the program were suspended in Fall 2010 due to low enrollment and that the last student graduated in 2015.

Establish the Bachelor of Music in Music Education,
College of Architecture, Design, and the Arts, Chicago

Dr. Colley provided information on the recommendation to establish the Bachelor of Music in Music Education in the College of Architecture, Design, and the Arts, Chicago, and said it would prepare students for a career in public music school teaching. She said graduates would earn Illinois teaching licensure in music, and she described distinctive elements of the program. She said no new funding is required.

Eliminate University of Illinois College of Medicine at Urbana-Champaign,
University of Illinois College of Medicine, Chicago

Ms. Craig Schilling asked Dr. Robert A. Barish, vice chancellor for health affairs, Chicago, to report on the recommendation to eliminate the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Urbana-Champaign. Dr. Barish stated that in 2015 the Board of Trustees approved the establishment of an engineering-based, separately accredited medical school at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in partnership with Carle Health System. He said that since that time, the University of Illinois College of Medicine (UICOM) has been phasing down its regional campus at Urbana-Champaign. Dr. Barish said the last cohort of medical students enrolled in Fall 2016, and he stated that the college had committed to keeping the campus open through May 2022 to ensure MD and MD/PhD students could complete their studies. He said that as of summer 2023, UICOM Urbana will have ceased all operations, and the formal dissolution will be complete by August 15, 2023. Dr. Barish said all instruction has ceased, no students are enrolled, and all

administrative processes associated with the closure will have been completed. He said the UICOM faculty committee voted to confirm the closure on April 12, 2023.

Dr. Barish stated that there have been many celebrations honoring the impact of the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Urbana-Champaign and referred to a legacy book about the College of Medicine at Urbana-Champaign. He wished the Carle Illinois College of Medicine great success. Ms. Craig Schilling thanked Dr. Barish for the remarks and encouraged alumni of the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Urbana-Champaign to continue to feel part of the University. President Killeen commented on the tremendous impact of this program and said this is an important moment to commemorate. Dr. Mark I. Rosenblatt, dean of the College of Medicine, Chicago, told the committee that more than 4,500 physicians were trained at University of Illinois College of Medicine at Urbana-Champaign. He highlighted the Medical Scholars Program, and he commented on the legacy of the program and continued connections to its graduates. President Killeen again remarked on the significance of the program and said it may be appropriate to create a proclamation to recognize its impact and legacy.

Establish the Center for Population Health, Health Equity, Outcomes and
Informatics Research (C4 Health Research),
University of Illinois College of Medicine Peoria, Chicago

Dr. Barish then discussed the recommendation to establish the Center for Population Health, Health Equity, Outcomes and Informatics Research (C4 Health Research) and referred to a 2020 analysis of the campus's existing Center for Health Outcomes that led

to the proposal to restructure, reform, and rename the center. He said the new C4 Health Research will conduct population health research, advance health equity through education and research, and evaluate the health outcomes of health services and healthcare delivery models and will serve as an educational resource for medical students, residents, fellows, and faculty. Dr. Barish said it will lead research on health disparities and population health in the region, impacting both learners and local populations. He said the center will also provide research mentoring and advising in relation to health outcomes and health disparities research and, through outreach efforts, provide community education on topics related to health and health literacy.

Establish the Doctor of Philosophy in Health Professions Education,
University of Illinois College of Medicine and Graduate College, Chicago

Dr. Barish provided information about the recommendation to establish the Doctor of Philosophy in Health Professions Education at Chicago. He said the degree would emphasize scholarship in health professions education and would be offered as an online program with two students accepted each fall. He told the committee the program would reevaluate its enrollment at year five, with the goal of increasing admissions numbers. Dr. Barish said it is anticipated that most students would enroll part-time, as the student population is expected to be working health professionals. He said the program is designed to be flexible to accommodate students in various career stages and stated that the department budget is sufficient to support the program, as the department faculty is already in place. He said current staff, facilities, and library resources are adequate to implement and maintain the new degree program.

Establish the Institute for Healthcare Delivery Design,
Office of the Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs, Chicago

Next, Dr. Barish reported on the recommendation to establish the Institute for Healthcare Delivery Design (IHDD). He told the committee that IHDD focuses on population health, with the goal of helping to ensure that healthcare delivery fits the needs of given populations, especially those populations characterized by high social vulnerability and experiencing below-average health outcomes. Dr. Barish said the institute works in three domains: research, advising services, and education, with the goal of ensuring healthcare experiences are tailored to the social, cognitive, cultural, emotional, and physical needs of patients, clinicians, front-line staff, caregivers, and other stakeholders. He stated that since its inception in 2018, the IHDD has collaborated with faculty, staff, and students and worked on projects with a range of city, state, and national partners, including the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH), Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services, and National Institutes of Health. Dr. Barish said the institute's activities contributed to its recognition as a valued resource, and he referred to the impact of establishing IHDD as a formal institute. President Killeen remarked on the significance of the institute and the work that is needed to address a lack of equity in healthcare. Ms. Craig Schilling said it is important to communicate the University's role in addressing the healthcare needs of the state.

Appoint Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost, Springfield

Ms. Craig Schilling asked Dr. Gooch to provide information on the recommendation to appoint Dr. Brandon Schwab, currently associate provost for academic affairs, Western Carolina University, as vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost. Dr. Gooch described Dr. Schwab's background and experience and said he succeeds Dr. Cecilia Cornell, who began serving as interim vice chancellor for academic affairs on May 8, 2023. Dr. Gooch stated that the recommendation is made with the advice of a search committee.

Appoint Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, Springfield

Dr. Gooch then reported on the recommendation to appoint Dr. Jamarco Clark as vice chancellor for student affairs, Springfield. She described Dr. Clark's background and experience and said he succeeds Dr. Ann Comerford, who served as interim vice chancellor for student affairs since June 1, 2021. She said the recommendation is being made with the advice of a search committee.

Appoint Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Springfield

Dr. Gooch provided information on the recommendation to appoint Dr. Miriam Wallace as dean of College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences at Springfield. She described Dr. Wallace's background and experience and said she succeeds Dr. Lan Dong, who served as interim dean through June 30, 2023. She said the recommendation is being made with the advice of a search committee.

Appoint Interim Dean, College of Health, Science and Technology, Springfield

Dr. Gooch then discussed the recommendation to appoint Dr. J. Travis Bland as interim dean of the College of Health, Science and Technology. She described Dr. Bland's background and experience and said he succeeds Dr. Mark Anderson, who served as interim dean through June 30, 2023. She said the recommendation is being made with the advice of a search committee. President Killeen added that Dr. Bland is a graduate of the President's Executive Leadership Program.

Ms. Craig Schilling thanked those who provided information about the proposed items. There were no objections to these items being forwarded to the full Board for approval. Ms. Craig Schilling noted that Dr. John James Coleman, the new vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost at Urbana, was participating in the meeting via videoconference. She welcomed him to the University and said she is looking forward to meeting and working with him.

PRESENTATIONS

Generative AI Update

At 5:07 p.m., Ms. Craig Schilling asked Mr. Joe Barnes, chief digital risk officer, University of Illinois System, to give a presentation on generative artificial intelligence (AI). Mr. Barnes gave an overview of generative AI and explained some of the terms and products often associated with it. He described the rapid adoption of generative AI and uncertainty surrounding regulation, and he stated that generative AI poses both opportunities and risks. Mr. Barnes listed System-wide actions, including an initial

assessment and strategic recommendations, and said that a Generative AI Working Group is working to create a generative AI matrix that identifies potential use cases, a set of generative AI principles, a working group charter, and guidance material. He showed recommendations to be accomplished within the next twelve months and highlighted the need to create a system level web presence to foster awareness about how the System is a responsible generative AI leader and to engage the community in the ongoing generative AI discussion. Mr. Barnes shared strategic recommendations to be accomplished over the next five years. He said the next steps should aim to gain greater understanding of what generative AI can do and what the System should do in terms of generative AI. He concluded his presentation by listing the members of the System-wide Generative AI Working Group.

Mr. Haq and Mr. Barnes discussed approaches to establishing pedagogy for a rapidly evolving field. Ms. Craig Schilling referred to the University's leadership and potential to be an academic partner. President Killeen echoed these remarks and said the University should have a leadership role. Ms. Teeka inquired if students might be included in the high-level generative AI discussion, and Mr. Barnes referred to opportunities to engage students. He mentioned a conference being held on generative AI. Dr. Miranda remarked on the comments made by Ms. Craig Schilling and President Killeen and said there is an opportunity for the University to train those who are creating new technologies, such as generative AI, to consider ethical implications alongside technical issues. Committee members thanked Mr. Barnes for the presentation.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no business presented under this aegis.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Craig Schilling asked if there was any new business to discuss, and there was none. She announced that the next meeting of this committee is scheduled for September 20, 2023, at 3:30 p.m., at Urbana.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Ms. Craig Schilling requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. On motion of Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Haq, the meeting adjourned at 5:29 p.m. There were no “nay” votes.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

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Chair

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