Minutes
Urbana-Champaign Senate Meeting
February 9, 2015

A regular meeting of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Senate was called to order at 3:10 pm in the Illini Room A at the Illini Union with Chancellor Phyllis Wise presiding with Professor Emeritus H. George Friedman, Jr. as Parliamentarian.

Approval of Minutes
02/09/15-01 The minutes from December 8, 2014 were approved as written.

Senate Executive Committee Report
Roy Campbell (ENGR), faculty senator and Chair of the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) reported that the Hiring Policies and Procedures Review Committee Report is listed for review, but SEC anticipates bringing an action item forward at the next regular Senate meeting on March 9, 2015. Provost Communications #2, #3, and #9 are in the process of review. Campbell noted that various Senate committees will be involved in the review and recommendation will come before the full Senate. The College of Medicine proposal is on today’s agenda after it was approved by the Senate Committee on Educational Policy (EPC). The agenda also contains important proposed changes to the Statutes. Chair Campbell presented his suggested time schedule for each agenda item and asked that the Senate adhere to the schedule in order to complete all the business.

02/09/15-02 The following floor privileges were granted as requested without objection.

To speak to EP.15.33: Proposal to Create a College of Medicine at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in Partnership with Carle Health System:
  1. Dr. Joseph Barkmeier: Carle Foundation Hospital
  2. Stephanie Beever: VP, Strategic Business Development, Carle Foundation Hospital
  3. Rohit Bhargava: Department of Bioengineering
  4. Jeff Brown: Prof of Finance, Prof of Economics, IGPA Prof, Director Center for Business & Public Policy
  5. Marty Burke: Chemistry, Dept Affiliate Biochemistry
  6. John Caughlin: Professor and Acting Head, Department of Communication
  7. Neal Cohen: Prof of Psychology
  8. Mike DeLorenzo: Associate Chancellor
  9. Jennifer Eardley: Associate Vice Chancellor for Research
  10. John Erdman: Prof Emeritus, Beckman Food Science and Human Nutrition
  11. Laura Frerichs: Director Research Park, Director Economic Development
  12. Nancy Greenwalt: Executive Director Promise Healthcare/Frances Nelson Clinic and SmileHealthy
  13. Vicky Gress: Associate Provost for the Budget
  14. Dr. Graham Huesmann: Research Assist Prof, Dept of Molecular & Integrative Physiology & Neurologist, Carle Hospital
  15. Eric Jakobsson: Prof Emeritus of Biochemistry & Urbana City Council Member
  16. Hillary Klonoff-Cohen: Director, MPH program, AHS
  17. Susan A. Martinis: Professor and Head of the Biochemistry Department
  18. Susan Schantz: Comparative Biosciences, Veterinary Medicine
  19. James M. Slauch: Professor of Microbiology; Director, Medical Scholars Program
20. Dr. William Olivero: Prof of Medicine, UI College of Medicine at Urbana & Neurosurgeon, Carle Hospital
21. Normand Paquin: Associate Director for Research, Coordinated Science Lab & College of Medicine Project Lead
22. Barry Jay Riskin: Clinical Assistant Professor, College of Medicine; Board of Directors, Christie Clinic; Chief Medical Officer, Sun Health Technologies, LLC
23. Gene Robinson: Director, Institute of Genomic Biology
24. Molly Tracy: Associate Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement
25. Dr. John Wang: Asst Prof of Medicine, UI College of Medicine at Urbana & Neurosurgeon, Carle Hospital
26. Jeff Woods: Prof of Kinesiology

To speak to LB.15.01, RS.15.05, RS.15.06, RS.15.07, AF.15.01, and SC.15.08:
Richard Laugesen: Department of Mathematics

02/09/15-03 Tellers for the meeting were faculty senators Shawn Gilmore (LAS) and Stephen Moose (ACES), and student senator Calvin Lear (GRAD).

Chancellor’s Remarks
Chancellor Wise asked for moment of silence for Vicente Mundo, a sophomore that was recently killed.

Wise welcomed everyone back to the spring semester and noted that there is a great deal of business on today’s agenda. Wise thanked the Senate and other members of campus for the frank discussions and comments, and the opportunity for open debate about academic freedom and freedom of speech. The hiring process and procedures have been reviewed and recommendations have been made to improve them. Wise expressed her desire to improve communication about campus issues.

Wise expressed her excitement to discuss the proposed College of Medicine (COM). She noted that the reviews by the Senate Committee on the Budget, Senate Committee on University Statutes and University Procedures (USSP), and the EPC have made the COM proposal even better. This is a historic moment for the university. New colleges are not created very often and when colleges are started, it is done with careful thought and deliberation. The COM will created a convergence of health sciences and engineering.

Questions/Discussion
None

Consent Agenda
Hearing no objections, the following proposals were approved by unanimous consent.

02/09/15-04 EP.15.27 * Proposal from the College of Fine and Applied Arts and the Graduate College to establish a Graduate Minor in Dance
02/09/15-05 EP.15.28 * Proposal from the College of Fine and Applied Arts and the Graduate College to revise the M.F.A. in Dance
02/09/15-06 EP.15.38 * Proposal from the College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences (ACES) to Revise the Bachelor of Science in Agricultural and Consumer Economics (ACE) with a Concentration in Agri-Accounting.

Chair Miller announced that the title of proposal EP.15.38 listed on the proposal itself is incorrect, but the title listed on the agenda is correct.
Proposals (enclosed)

02/09/15-07  EP.15.33* Proposal to Create a College of Medicine at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in Partnership with Carle Health System

On behalf of the Senate Committee on Educational Policy (EPC), Chair Miller introduced and moved approval of proposal EP.15.33. Miller noted that extensive work has been done by the EPC along with input from the Senate Budget committee and the USSP committee. A letter of support from all of the Academic Deans is included. Miller invited Provost Adesida to come forward to lead additional discussion.

Adesida expressed his support of the Urbana COM. The COM will create healthcare for more people; from wellness to prevention. The new COM takes a systems approach. All of our current colleges have potential of contribution. Illinois has made an upfront investment and so has Carle. The risk of not moving forward with the creation of a COM is unimaginable. A COM will make Illinois more competitive for NIH (National Institutes of Health) funding. The COM is good for the community, the state, and the nation. It is our duty to ensure that greatness continues.

Some of the individuals that spoke in support of the COM include:

- Joseph Barkmeier: Radiologist at Carle Health System
- Stephanie Beever, Senior Vice President for System Strategic Business Development at Carle
- Rohit Bhargava: Professor in Bioengineering and the Beckman Institute Bioimaging Science and Technology Group
- Neal Cohen: Interdisciplinary Health Sciences Initiative (IHSI) Director
- Hillary Klonoff-Cohen: Professor in Kinesiology and Community Health, AHS
- Michele Mariscalco: Regional Dean of the College of Medicine at Urbana-Champaign
- Susan Martinis: Professor of Biochemistry and Medical Biochemistry, and Center for Biophysics and Computational Biology.
- James Slauch: Professor of Microbiology and Director of the Medical Scholars Program
- Jon Thaler: Professor of Physics
- Senators Anastasio (LAS), Francis (LAS), Gollin (ENGR), Hellman (AHS), Hill (LAS), Kar (LAW), Kindt (BUS), and Ordal (MED)

Several senators, Gilmore (LAS), Riedel (LAS), Romero (LAS), and Thaler (ENGR), expressed concerns about Carle as a solid partner, possible less expensive alternative programs, loss of property tax revenue for Urbana, and sustainable funding sources.

Barkmeier responded that Carle continues to improve and implement changes, and will be looking at changes in medicine to be proactive rather than reactive. Adesida noted that the curriculum in the proposed Urbana COM will differ from the current offerings at the Chicago campus. Beever replied that the property tax issue is not a community issue, but rather a more complicated state and federal issue. Beever added that Carle provided $44 million in charity care to the surrounding community. Wise pointed to the review of the Senate Committee on the Budget to address and funding questions.

To recording of the proposed College of Medicine discussion, and the entirety of the Senate meeting, can be found at: http://www.senate.illinois.edu/video.asp.

02/09/15-08  The motion to approve EP.15.33 passed by voice.
02/09/15-09  **SP.15.12** Proposed Revisions to the *Bylaws*, Part D.18 – Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures

02/09/15-10 On behalf of the Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures (USSP), Chair Maher introduced and moved approval of proposal SP.15.12. This proposal would allow anyone from the Senate electorate to serve as a parliamentarian rather than only faculty from the Senate electorate. No further discussion.

02/09/15-11 The motion to approve SP.15.12 was passed by voice.

02/09/15-12  **SP.15.13** General Revisions to the *Statutes*

Motions #4 and #5

On behalf of the USSP, Chair Maher introduced and moved approval of recommendation one on proposal SP.15.13. Craig Koslofsky, current member and previous chair of the Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC), requested lines 395-398 not be removed.

02/09/15-13 On behalf of Koslofsky, Chair Maher made a motion to amend by reinserting lines 395-398. The motion was seconded and a short discussion followed. Burbules noted that the language was moved to lines 344-347. Koslofsky responded that the word “on its own initiative” is not included in the text on lines 344-347.

02/09/15-14 The motion to amend by restoring lines 395-398 was approved.

02/09/15-15 By voice, recommendation one of SP.15.13 was approved.

02/09/15-16 On behalf of USSP, Chair Maher introduced and moved approval of recommendation two of proposal SP.15.13. Burbules noted that this motion provides consistency throughout the *Statutes*.

02/09/15-17 By voice, recommendation two of SP.15.13 was approved.

02/09/15-18  **LB.15.01** Resolution on Intellectual Freedom and the University Library

On behalf of the Senate Committee on the Library, Chair Mallory introduced and moved approval of resolution LB.15.01. Mallory discussed the issue of censorship and librarians being brought to court. Censorship is an ongoing problem in the Library.

Steinberg (LAS) supported the resolution and moved to include endorsement of the “Intellectual Freedom Principles for Academic Libraries: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights” as stated in the eighth “whereas”. The motion was seconded.

The final paragraph of the resolution would read:

“**THEREFORE** be it resolved that the Senate of the Urbana-Champaign Campus endorse this resolution and the “Intellectual Freedom Principles for Academic Libraries: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights” in support of intellectual freedom, the Library, and the Library faculty and staff.”

02/09/15-20 The motion to amend resolution LB.15.01 was approved by voice.

02/09/15-21 By voice, resolution LB.15.01 was approved.

02/09/15-22  **RS.15.05** Resolution Regarding the Senate Committee on Academic Freedom and Tenure Report

02/09/15-23 Levine (LAS) made a motion to have AF.15.01: Report on the Investigation into the Matter of Steven Salaita presented prior to the introduction of resolution RS.15.05. The motion was seconded and AF.15.01 was presented by Senate Committee on Academic Freedom and Tenure (AFT) Chair David O’Brien.
O’Brien summarized the findings in report AF.15.01. O’Brien stated that serious violations of Salaita’s academic freedom had occurred. The AFT committee recommended the Chancellor and BOT withdraw statements of civility and that Salaita’s candidacy be remanded to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS). O’Brien noted that the committee felt Salaita was more than an applicant, but less than an employee. Because AFT did not consider Salaita to be an employee, the committee did not feel Salaita was due a hearing before AFT.

Levine (LAS) noted that in the fall semester campus members were urged not to make any statements on the Salaita situation. Levine felt those that asked members of the Senate to wait for the AFT report to be finalized before making any statements are now trying to discredit the AFT report.

02/09/15-24 Levine (LAS) moved approval of RS.15.05, the motion was seconded, and discussion followed.

Nelson (LAS) noted that at the final meeting of the AFT, AFT decided to delete some passages. AFT member Matthew Finkin had written and shared two letters with the AAUP (American Association of University Professors), Chancellor, and present and past Senate leaders. Nelson suggested that both letters written by Finkin go before the Senate as they relate to this resolution.

Nelson (LAS) felt that the first step should be amending the statement on civility rather than withdrawing the statement. The second step should be the BOT considering faculty appointments prior to faculty beginning work. Nelson felt that no matter what the Senate does, the AAUP will probably still sanction the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Graber (AHS) opposed the resolution citing the pending lawsuit between Salaita and the university.

Gilmore (LAS) was troubled that fellow senators were opposed to forming an LAS review committee and voiced his support of the resolution as a co-author. SEC member Mallory also spoke in favor of the AFT report and in the name of shared governance, urged others to support the AFT report.

02/09/15-25 Chair Campbell moved to extend adjournment of the meeting to 5:40pm. The motion was seconded and passed by voice.

02/09/15-26 Burbules (EDUC) moved to divide the motion into two parts having one vote on the issue of the civility statement and one vote on remanding the Salaita case to the College of LAS. The motion was seconded and discussion followed. Senate members questioned if the motion could be divided.

02/09/15-27 Burbules withdrew his motion to divide.

Burbules (EDUC) felt remanding this case to LAS was not appropriate and may only inflame the campus.

02/09/15-28 Graber (AHS) moved the previous question. By a show of hands, 50 yea/43 nay, the motion to end debate failed to pass by the required two-thirds vote. Discussion continued.

Steinberg (LAS) stated that the resolution is worded that all of the AFT recommendations in the AFT report should be support and urged colleagues to support the AFT report and resolution.

Finkin, an AFT member, wanted to note that Salaita’s life was upended and he should receive recompense. Salaita was not an employee and therefore not entitled to a hearing, but he is entitled to protection of his academic freedom and freedom of political speech. Salaita’s academic freedom and political freedom was violated by the BOT based on Salaita’s political speech. The report states that Salaita’s academic fitness should be remanded to LAS for review to
see if his scholarship was up to the level expected at Illinois and to see if his political utterances also characterize his academic fitness. Finkin felt that remanding the review of Salaita’s scholarly fitness was a process that could still have a meaningful effect.

02/09/15-29 Benson (LAW) made a motion to close debate. The motion to close debate was seconded and approved by voice.

02/09/15-30 By a show of hands, 51 yea/41 nay, the motion to approve resolution RS.15.05 passed.

Adjournment
In accordance with Standing Rule 13, the meeting was adjourned at 5:46pm and will reconvene next Monday, February 16, 2015.

The following agenda items will appear on the agenda of the reconvened meeting on Monday, February 16, 2015.

Proposals
RS.15.06 Recommendations about Shared Governance and Academic Freedom
RS.15.07 Concerns about Shared Governance and Academic Freedom

Reports
EP.15.39 Administrative Approvals – January 26, 2015
EP.15.40 Administrative Approvals – February 2, 2015
HE.15.04 FAC/IBHE Report – December 12, 2014
HE.15.05 FAC/IBHE Report – January 16, 2015
SC.15.08 Hiring Policies and Procedures Review Committee Report
UC.15.05 USC Report – December 12, 2014
UC.15.06 USC Report – January 22, 2015

Jenny Roether, Senate Clerk

*Filed with the Senate Clerk and incorporated by reference in these minutes.