

Minutes
Urbana-Champaign Senate Meeting
March 30, 2009

A regular meeting of the Urbana-Champaign Senate was called to order at 3:15 p.m. at the Levis Faculty Center with Chancellor Richard Herman presiding.

Approval of Minutes

03/30/09-01 The minutes of February 23 were approved.

Senate Executive Committee Report

Senator Nicholas Burbules (EDUC), Chair of the Senate Executive Committee (SEC), provided the following report.

At the door today, please pick up SC.09.07, Senate Resolution on Faculty Commitments Outside UIUC Campus.

In his opening remarks, SEC Chair Nicholas Burbules reported that he has been asked by President Joseph White to chair a task force charged with drafting an alternative model for the Global Campus initiative. President White plans to take three proposals to the Trustees at their May meeting: keep Global Campus as it is, shut it down, or change it into something else.

This alternative proposal will be brought back to Senates Conference and, through them, back to the campuses for review and comment.

Two recent news articles have covered this initiative:

<http://chronicle.com/wiredcampus/article/3689/u-of-illinois-faculty-push-alternative-online-learning-venture>

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/business/content/education/chi-global-campus-05-apr05,0,7317347.story>

Tellers for today's meeting are Senators Phillip Geil (ENGR), Peter Loeb (LAS), and Terry Niblack (ACES).

Chancellor's Remarks

Chancellor Herman reported on a number of issues concerning the fiscal climate and University budget, including the need for scholarships to recruit quality students who might otherwise attend community college; the prospect of a major stimulus package by the State to benefit education and research; exceptional fund-raising efforts by the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies to establish a Center for Brazilian Studies; and the acquisition of research support dollars for the multi-institutional degree program at the University of Singapore.

Questions/Discussion

Senator Ilia Kapovich (LAS) asked who actually will distribute the economic stimulus funds the University is expecting from the state. The Chancellor replied that the governor's office will be involved.

Consent Agenda

The Presiding Officer announced that the following proposals were approved by unanimous consent:

- 03/30/09-02 EP.09.46* Revision to the Industrial Design Undergraduate Major within the Bachelor of Fine Arts, FAA
- 03/30/09-03 EP.09.57* Creation of a 5-year BALAS/MA degree program in Germanic Languages and Literatures, LAS
- 03/30/09-04 EP.09.61* Arabic Studies Minor, LAS
- 03/30/09-05 EP.09.62* Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender/Queer Studies Minor
- 03/30/09-06 EP.09.63* Graduate Minor in African Studies
- 03/30/09-07 EP.09.64* Graduate Minor in American Indian and Indigenous Studies

Proposals for Action

- 03/30/09-08 The Chancellor presented for action EP.09.32* Identification on the Diplomas of Degrees Awarded by the Global Campus outside the Global Campus Partnership agreement of 2007. Professor Abbas Aminmansour (FAA), Educational Policy Chair, moved its approval.
- 03/30/09-09 By voice vote, EP.09.32 was approved.
- 03/30/09-10 Next was SC.09.07*, Senate Resolution on Faculty Commitments Outside UIUC Campus. Senator John Prussing (ENGR) provided background on the measure and moved its approval on behalf of the SEC. After a couple of attempts at wordsmithing the document, it was moved to refer it back to SEC.
- 03/30/09-11 By voice vote, the motion to refer SC.09.07 back to the SEC was approved.
- 03/30/09-12 Chancellor Herman presented for action SP.09.05*, Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.16 (b) - Committee on Student Discipline, Membership. Senator William Maher (LIBR), USSP Committee Chair, moved its approval.
- 03/30/09-13 By voice vote, it was approved.
- 03/30/09-14 Presented for action was SP.09.09*, Revision to Senate Standing Rule 13. Senator Maher recapitulated the background of the proposal and moved its approval.
- 03/30/09-15 By voice vote, it was approved.

Proposed Revisions to the *University Statutes*

03/30/09-16 SP.06.05*, Revision to the *Statutes*, Article VIII. Senator Maher summarized the background of this proposal and indicated it will be returning for Second Reading and vote at the April 27 Senate meeting.

Reports for Information of the Senate

03/30/09-17 HE.09.07* January 23 FAC/IBHE

Committee of the Whole

The Senate approved a motion to convene as a Committee of the Whole to discuss ProQuest and Dissertation Deposits. Debasish Dutta, Dean of the Graduate College, made introductory remarks and background on this matter, and then turned the podium over to Rebecca Bryant, Assistant Dean of the Graduate College.

Dr. Bryant presented a brief history of the University's relationship with ProQuest and UMI (University Microfilms, Inc.). Because ProQuest is publishing documents online, there are potential questions for graduate students about whether previously published sections of the dissertation can be reused without permission in the ProQuest published version; and questions about whether subsequent publication of all or part of the dissertation, after the ProQuest version is published, might be resisted by publishers who consider the ProQuest version a form of prior publication of the same material. Students should be aware of their copyright privileges and how to protect them. For more information, see: <http://www.grad.illinois.edu/thesis/>

At 4:30 p.m., the Senate rose and reported for purposes of exiting the Committee of the Whole.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Robert C. Damrau, Senate Clerk

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