# Minutes Urbana-Champaign Senate Meeting

March 26, 2012

A regular meeting of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Senate was called to order at 3:15 pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Levis Faculty Center with Chancellor Phyllis Wise presiding and Professor Emeritus Kenneth E. Andersen as Parliamentarian.

# **Approval of Minutes**

03/26/12-01 The minutes from February 27, 2012 were approved as written.

# **Senate Executive Committee Report**

Faculty Senator Matthew Wheeler (ACES), Chair of the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) gave the following report.

On April 9, 2012, the SEC will discuss the revised Enrollment Management proposal document from President Hogan, and will be on the April 30 Senate agenda. The special meeting with the President on March 30 was cancelled. Item XIII on the Senate agenda is a consultation with the Senate on Statutory Procedures, specifically Article IX, Section 6 of the *University Statues*. This article requires the campus Senate be consulted when setting campus procedures for severe sanctions less than dismissal. Provost Richard Wheeler will present this item, and then a vote is anticipated.

Floor privileges were requested for Elizabeth Lowe, Associate Professor and Director, Center for Translation Studies School of Literatures, Cultures and Linguistics to speak to: EP.12.22 Proposal from the Graduate College and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to establish a new Master of Arts (MA) in Translation and Interpreting in the School of Literatures, Cultures, and Linguistics. Floor privileges were also requested for Skip Frost from the Division of Public Safety and undergraduate student Ahmad El Khatib to speak to the Committee of the Whole Discussion on Unofficial St. Patrick's Day.

03/26/12-02 Hearing no objections, Chancellor Wise pronounced that floor privileges had been granted as requested.

## **Chancellor's Remarks**

Chancellor Phyllis Wise noted that it has been a very interesting and challenging time. She believed President Hogan had the same goal, which is to make the University better. The level of the faculty support that has been show towards the Chancellor has been moving. Distractions aside, the University can move forward with what it was meant to do; making the best education experience possible. The University has to be able to change and manage that change. In the end, the University of Illinois will be one of the premier public institutions. Wise looks forward to working with President Designate Robert Easter.

Wise added that she looks forward to working with the Senate. She especially thanked Matthew Wheeler, Joyce Tolliver, and Nicholas Burbules for the work they have done in educating her and leading discussions on the recent campus issues.

Two videos from the Board of Trustees Campus Insights presentation were shown; Nathan Gunn from Music and Jonathan Naber from Engineering Illini Prosthetic Technologies (IPT). Most faculty members that were invited to speak did so in person before the Board. Gunn and Naber were unavailable so videos were made for the Board meeting. Campus Insights gives each campus the opportunity to showcase faculty that symbolize some of the greatest offerings from each campus.

## **Questions/Discussion**

No questions were asked.

## **Consent Agenda**

Hearing no objections, Chancellor Wise pronounced that the following proposal was approved:

03/26/12-03 EP.12.22\* Proposal from the Graduate College and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to establish a new Master of Arts (MA) in Translation and Interpreting in the School of Literatures, Cultures, and Linguistics

# **Proposals for Action**

03/26/12-04 CC.12.11\* Nominations for Membership on Standing Committees of the Senate

Faculty Senator Bettina Francis (LAS), Chair of the Committee on Committees, moved approval of the nominations on CC.12.11. There were no floor nominations and nominations were declared closed.

- 03/26/12-05 By voice vote, the slate of candidates on CC.12.11 was approved.
- 03/26/12-06 CC.12.12\* Nominations for Membership on the Athletic Board

Faculty Senator Bettina Francis (LAS), Chair of the Committee on Committees, moved approval of the nominations on CC.12.12. There were no floor nominations and nominations were declared closed.

03/26/12-07 By voice vote, the slate of candidates on CC.12.12 was approved.

## **Reports for Information**

The following reports were presented for information:

03/26/12-08 FB.12.06\* Current Benefits Issues and Events

John Kindt, Chair of the Faculty and Academic Staff Benefits Committee spoke about item FB.12.06. There are over 37 items of legislation that could affect the University of Illinois. Kindt suggested having an education advocate. He encouraged state wide action and to reach out to other colleagues on other campuses to get more people involved. Kindt encouraged attendees to visit the NESSIE website to monitor pending legislation. It was also noted that the Faculty Advisory Council to the Board of Higher Education (FAC/IBHE) is very involved with legislation impacting education, and that many bills have been changed by the work FAC/IBHE has done.

03/26/12-09 UC.12.05\* USC Report – February 21, 2012 03/26/12-10 HE.12.05\* FAC/IBHE Report – February 03/26/12-11 HE.12.06\* FAC/IBHE Report – March

## **Consultation with the Senate on Statutory Procedures**

Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Richard Wheeler presented information on the campus procedures for proceedings under Article IX, Section 6 of the *University Statutes*. The document that was distributed outlines the procedures for implementation of Severe Sanctions Other Than Dismissal for Cause for Members of the Faculty. The document was

reviewed by William Maher, H. George Friedman, Matthew Wheeler, and Kenneth Andersen. The document was drafted in accordance with the minimum provisions of the *University Statutes*.

A clarification in number 5 of the proposed procedures was requested. The text should make it clear that if a hearing is requested that a written response shall be submitted. Provost Wheeler indicated the clarification would be made.

- O3/26/12-12 As Chair of University Statutes and Senate Procedures, William Maher moved that the Senate advise the Provost and the Chancellor to adopt the procedure for implementation of Article IX Section 6 as outlined in the document presented under Agenda Item VIII, with the understanding that it will be reviewed in the future if so requested by the Senate or the Senate Executive Committee.
- 03/26/12-13 By voice vote, the motion was approved.

#### **Committee of the Whole**

03/26/12-14 SEC Chair Wheeler made a motion to move into a committee of the whole discussion on Unofficial St. Patrick's Day. The motioned passed by voice.

Faculty Senator Mark Roszkowski (BUS) opened the discussion by reading RS.06.01 that was passed on April 3, 2006. This document was distributed at the door. He noted that it appears that there is increasingly costly law enforcement to ensure safety, but that the event has not been terminated. Roszkowski wants to see the bars closed over the weekend that this event is held. He added that this event disrupts a class day. He felt the action going forward should be to stop the event, and not to police it to make it safer. The liquor license holders do not pay any of the costs that the university and the city assume.

Skip Frost from the Division of Public Safety noted that 70% of actions taken by local police are persons not affiliated with the University of Illinois, and the advent of social media has increased attendance by non-University affiliated persons. The increased patrols at businesses have forced activities to unsupervised private parties along with increased packaged liquor sales. Those patronizing the businesses tend to be alumni that are of age.

Other comments were made stating that attempting to end the event would only create additional problems. There is a need to move forward and continue to work as a community to change this event in a positive way. Collaboration and a holistic approach were reiterated by several of those making comments. The proactive notification of consequences was a new effort this year and some felt it aided in reducing the number of incidents.

#### **New Business**

No new business was discussed.

### Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:02pm