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URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE
February 5, 2018
Minutes

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

02/05/18-01 The minutes from December 11, 2017, were approved as distributed.

SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Bettina Francis (LAS), a faculty senator and Chair of the Senate Executive Committee (SEC), noted that much of what was discussed at the last SEC meeting is on today's agenda.

Chair Francis discussed suggestions in keeping constituencies informed. Each senator is a representative for his/her unit and should know what their constituency's opinions are and each senator should bring back information from the Senate. One suggestion was to put a brief report about the Senate on each faculty meeting agenda. Alternatively it has been suggested that a summary of the Senate meeting be sent to colleagues after each meeting. It is important to keep units informed on the issues that concern them and also those that are of concern to the University in general.

Chair Francis also reported that the Senate is undergoing an internal governance audit. The auditors will be reviewing if the Senate is in compliance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act and if the Senate is following its own rules and procedures. Also if the rules and procedures are effective or if they could be improved upon.

Francis reminded senators to identify themselves when speaking at the microphone.

CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

Chancellor Jones welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the spring semester. Jones also welcomed the newest member of the administration, Andreas Cangellaris, as the first permanent Provost in 29 months. Jones thanked the SEC and Senate for their efforts in assisting in the creation of the Provost search committee.

Six faculty members were named University Scholars, a program that recognizes excellence in teaching, scholarship and service. Jones had the opportunity to meet them last week at a reception honoring the Scholars.

Jones recently traveled to Washington DC and met with University of Illinois alums that are dedicated to advancing our legislative agenda. This was not a lobbying event, but a way to ensure that these graduates know how much we appreciate their efforts and support. We need to continue advocating as strongly as possible for our budget and our resources. We not only need state resources but our federal legislative work needs to be ramped up to a different level in order to have the resources to fully advance our mission.

Jones also met with Senator Durbin and thanked him for his continued support of DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) and support of higher education.

A day-long strategic planning retreat was held recently. It was a really catalytic event for the rest of the work that will be rolling out in the spring for the strategic planning process. The things we do now and the decisions we make will play a defining role for the next 5 years, 10 years, and in decades to come. This University really does plan and takes the process seriously. Some very important initiatives like the Carle Illinois College of Medicine have come from strategic planning. These are transformative big ideas. Over 100 campus leaders were invited

to the planning retreat and it was an amazing day. Now we have the challenge of continuing to shape this plan.

Jones announced that the Vice Chancellor for Diversity Equity and Inclusion position will be announced soon and the search committee is being put together. This will be a national search.

The GEO (Graduate Employees Organization) has served an intent to strike notice and can strike any time after February 9. The administration is committed to the negotiations. The administration will continue to negotiate in good faith because we all know how critically important the GEO members are to the successful execution of our educational mission.

The Chancellor's Critical Conversations Series has taken much longer to organize than anticipated. One conversation will focus on free speech. The date and participants have been identified, but will not release the information until everything is confirmed. The second conversation is on Native American imagery. There has been some progress in regards to engaging participants, but is taking more time than expected to coordinate schedules.

The Chancellor received a letter from Kathryn Oberdeck, Chair of the Senate Committee on Equal Opportunity and Inclusion (EQ). The Chancellor plans to meet with the committee to address the concerns that they have. The most critical step at this point is to have a conversation, reconcile, and move beyond the issue.

Use of Native American imagery can bring hurt and cause distress. This issue is complex and intensely personal to many. We can acknowledge this is part of our past, but need to find a path forward. The University does not allow the use of Chief Illiniwek images in public spaces, but we cannot regulate what we have in personal space and what people wear to work.

There is an organization promoting chief apparel at the February 22 men's basketball game at State Farm Center. Those attending have free speech right as long as they follow policies and procedures. Work is being done with the State Farm Center to ensure the safety of all those in attendance.

Jones also mentioned the recent incident at State Farm Center involving Professor Rosenstein. Rosenstein admitted to filming without consent in a public restroom. The states attorney did not press charges. Jones emphasized that this behavior as reported is against our code of conduct. Rosenstein is on non-disciplinary paid leave while human resources is conducting an investigation. Jones will also be consulting with the Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC).

QUESTIONS/DISCUSSION

Faculty senator Rosenstock (LAS) gave his opinion that putting Prof. Rosenstein on paid leave is still disciplinary, and cited the Illinois Administrative Code. Jones did not agree with Rosenstock's perspective.

Faculty senator Clancy (LAS) noted that her research is in the area of sexual harassment and workplace wellness. She also noted that when individual are accused of Title IV violations, those individuals are not put on leave while an investigation is completed. Jones responded that not all information in the Rosenstein can be disclosed as it is an open investigation in a personnel issue and that this is a different situation. There is still a code of conduct even though no charges were brought against Rosenstein.

Faculty senator O'Brien (FAA), who is also the former chair of the Senate Committee on Academic Freedom and Tenure (AFT), gave his opinion that Chancellor Jones should have consulted with FAC prior to putting Rosenstein on paid leave.

Faculty Senator Gilmore (LAS) asked if the Chancellor was satisfied with the current procedures that were being used for contract negotiations. Jones replied that there is always room for improvement in these types of processes and that the process will be evaluated.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 02/05/18-02 EP.18.20* Proposed Revisions to Article 3 of the 2017-2018 Student Code
- 02/05/18-03 EP.18.21* Proposal to Revise the BALAS in Latin American Studies, within the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, College of LAS
- 02/05/18-04 EP.18.29* Proposal to Revise the Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Communications from the College of ACES
- 02/05/18-05 EP.18.32* Proposal to Revise the Business Core Curriculum, which Translates to Revisions for All Available Bachelor of Science degrees Offered by the College of Business: Accountancy, Finance, Information Systems, Management, Marketing, Operations Management, and Supply Chain Management from the College of Business
- 02/05/18-06 EP.18.34* Proposal to Add Geography & Geographic Information Science (GIS) to the list of units participating in the BSLAS in Computer Science and a LAS Discipline (CS + X)
- 02/05/18-07 The Senate Committee on Educational Policy (EPC) Chair Gay Miller requested that proposal EP.18.37 be moved from the "Consent Agenda" to the "Proposals".

PROPOSALS

- 02/05/18-08 EP.18.37: Proposal to Establish the Clinical Sciences Department and the Biomedical and Translational Sciences Department for the Carle Illinois College of Medicine

On behalf of the EPC, Chair Miller introduced and moved approval of proposal EP.18.37 with the following change in paragraph 3 of the "Brief Description" on page one:

Each department shall be organized with a head, appointed ~~for a 5-year term~~ without a specified term as per the University Statutes, by the University Board of Trustees on recommendation of the Chancellor/Vice President and the President after consultation with the Dean of the College and the members of the department Faculty (once established).

- 02/05/18-09 By i-clicker, proposal EP.18.37 was approved with 114 in favor and 5 opposed.
- 02/05/18-10 EP.18.35: Proposal to Request the Advice of the Academic Senate on Seeking Board of Trustees Approval for Naming of the Axis Risk Management Academy
- On behalf of the EPC, Chair Miller introduced and moved approval of proposal EP.18.35.
- Chair Miller invited College of Business Dean Jeff Brown to speak about the proposal. Brown explained the partners in the agreement do not have any decision making abilities. The term academy is a term used across the College of Business for student extracurricular programs.
- 02/05/18-11 By i-clicker, proposal EP.18.35 was approved with 97 in favor and 11 opposed.
- 02/05/18-12 EP.18.36: Proposal to Request the Advice of the Academic Senate on Seeking Board of Trustees Approval for Naming of the Origin Ventures Academy of Entrepreneurial Leadership
- On behalf of the EPC, Chair Miller introduced and moved approval of proposal EP.18.36 and Dean Brown spoke in support of the proposal.
- 02/05/18-13 By i-clicker, proposal EP.18.35 was approved with 89 in favor and 15 opposed.
- 02/05/18-14 CC.18.11: Nominations for Membership on Standing Committees of the Senate

On behalf of the Senate Committee on Committees, Chair O'Brien introduced and moved approval of proposal CC.18.11. There were no nominations from the floor.

02/05/18-15 By i-clicker, proposal CC.18.11 was approved with 95 in favor and 3 opposed.

02/05/18-16 CC.18.12: Student Nominations to the Athletic Board

On behalf of the Senate Committee on Committees, Chair O'Brien introduced and moved approval of proposal CC.18.12. There were no nominations from the floor.

02/05/18-17 By i-clicker, proposal CC.18.12 was approved with 96 in favor and 2 opposed.

02/05/18-18 EC.18.01: Adjustment of Values Used in Calculating the Size of Faculty Voting Units

On behalf of the Senate Committee on Elections and Credentials, Chair Graber introduced and moved approval of proposal EC.18.01.

02/05/18-19 By i-clicker, proposal EC.18.01 was approved with 82 in favor and 11 opposed.

02/05/18-20 SP.18.07: Proposed Revision to the *Constitution*, Article II – Faculty Representation

On behalf of the Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures (USSP), Chair Gilmore introduced the first reading of proposal SP.18.07 and noted that there was information inadvertently left out of the background, section 5 and 6 are being deleted, and will be corrected for the second reading.

As a first reading, no vote was taken.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

02/05/18-21 EP.18.33* EPC Report of Administrative Approvals through January 22, 2018

EPC Chair Miller made the following correction to the report:

Graduate Concentration in Writing Studies – add all graduate-level degree programs offered by the Department of Education Policy, Organization and Leadership (EPOL) to the list of programs participating in the Graduate Concentration in Writing Studies offered by the ~~Department of English~~ Center for Writing Studies. Whereas studies of writing and literacy are central to some faculty and graduate students in EPOL, this pairing would be of interest to and beneficial for students and faculty. The concentration requirements would remain unchanged and would be identical for EPOL programs as they are for all previously-approved programs that participate in the concentration.

02/05/18-22 SUR.18.01* Report on SURSMAC Meeting on November 1, 2017

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:46 pm.

Jenny Roether, Senate Clerk

*Filed with the Senate Clerk and incorporated by reference in these minutes.
A video recording of these proceedings can be found at <https://go.illinois.edu/senate>