UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO

MINUTES OF THE SENATE MEETING (2013-14)
OCTOBER 30, 2013, STUDENT SERVICES BUILDING (SSB) 3:15 P.M.

10/30/13-1 The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m. by Presiding Officer Catherine Vincent (NURS). Senators Kaste (DENT) and Calderon (Health Professional Student) agreed to serve as tellers for today’s meeting. Senators from the College of Medicine at Peoria regional site participated by teleconference.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Catherine Vincent, Presiding Officer

10/30/13-2 Presiding Officer Vincent welcomed everyone to the October 30 Senate meeting. She explained that Provost Kaufman was unable to be at today’s Senate meeting because he was attending an out of town meeting.

CHANCELLOR’S REMARKS Paula Allen-Meares

10/30/13-3 Chancellor Allen-Meares reported that she hosted a faculty breakfast in the morning and she recently met with the Chancellor’s Status Committees on Diversity, who shared their goals for the academic year. She announced that UIC has been designated an emerging Hispanic Serving Institution. UIC enrollment is 24.7% Latino and UIC needs to have an enrollment of 25% Latino to become a Hispanic Serving Institution. The Chancellor reported that she helped to organize a Gates Foundation Conference about higher education. Bill Gates attended the Conference and shared his vision for the future of higher education. She shared what she learned at a recent Carnegie Foundation meeting about creating diverse learning communities that are flexible and the need to reduce cost. Chancellor Allen-Meares ended by discussing the recent Chicago Tribune article about the cost of the Chancellor’s house.

GUEST David Merriman, Professor, Institute of Government and Public Affairs and Professor, Department of Public Administration

10/30/13-4 David Merriman shared a PowerPoint presentation titled “Update on Illinois’ Economic and Fiscal Challenges and Responses.”

MINUTES

10/30/13-5 Minutes of the Senate meeting held on September 26, 2013 were approved as submitted.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT Philip Patston, Chair

10/30/13-6 Presiding Officer Vincent recognized faculty Senators who had received awards at a recognition ceremony last week. The Senate applauded.

10/30/13-7 Chair Patston explained that he had received a request from Michael Redding, Executive Associate Chancellor of Public and Government Affairs, for Senators interested in participating in an interview to explore UIC’s identity on November 5, 2013. Interested Senators were encouraged to contact Elizabeth Dooley, UIC Senate Clerk. Chancellor Allen-Meares explained that UIC is in the process of determining its brand.

10/30/13-8 Senator Persky (SPH) provided a summary of the report from the Ad hoc committee on campus reorganization.
10/30/13-9 Senator Mintel (COM – Urbana) commended both the Senate Executive Committee and the Ad hoc committee for identifying the major issues involved. He stated that as a faculty member in the College of Medicine, he thought it was important for him to stress that the College of Medicine is an academic unit that needs to have ties to the life science units on the east campus and a reporting line running through the chief academic officer to the Chancellor. The Committees were wise to ask for further deliberation.

10/30/13-10 Chair Patston reported that the Senate Executive Committee had met with President Easter; Jerry Bauman, Interim Vice President for Health Affairs; Avijit Ghosh, Senior Advisor to the President; and Provost Kaufman, and discussed a consensus model recommended by the health science deans for the structure of the health science and service portion of the University. Following that meeting the Senate Executive Committee wrote a report regarding the Reorganization of the Health Sciences Colleges Administrative Structure. Chair Patston provided a summary of the content of the Report of the Senate Executive Committee regarding the Reorganization of the Health Sciences Colleges Administrative Structure.

10/30/13-11 Albert Schorsch, Associate Dean of the College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs, raised a concern about the negative impact on the Chancellor position’s responsibilities if two Provost positions are created.

10/30/13-12 Senator Rao (MED) commended Senator Persky (SPH) for bringing this issue to the attention of the Senate. She raised concerns about the two Vice Chancellor model being raised to the Board of Trustees. She recommended that the Board of Trustees delay the process of consideration of a model until the UIC campus can deliberate the matter further. She also stated that the College of Medicine Executive Committee raised similar concerns as those raised within the two reports regarding campus reorganization.

10/30/13-13 Chancellor Allen-Meares explained that the President has slowed down the process. She stated that she will express to the President that the Senate has requested that the process be slowed down when she meets with him at the end of this week.

10/30/13-14 On behalf of the Committee, Chair Patston moved that the UIC Senate endorse the report from the Ad hoc committee on campus reorganization. The motion to endorse carried

10/30/13-15 On behalf of the Committee, Chair Patston provided background on the Statement on Hospital Debt. There was no discussion and the motion to approve the Statement on Hospital Debt carried.

10/30/13-16 Senator Persky (SPH) moved that the Senate support slowing down of the process of the campus reorganization at the Board of Trustees even to the point of not approving necessarily the structure as suggested of a Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs until there is further discussion throughout the campus. The motion was seconded.

10/30/13-17 Senator Rao (MED) clarified that we do approve the health affairs administration coming back to UIC, but we want to slow down the process of appointing a Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs position until there is further discussion.
10/30/13-18 Senator Zheng (Graduate Student Senator) recommended that the motion read “we refrain from deciding any administrative structure,” rather than “slow down.”

10/30/13-19 The motion was amended to: We welcome the administration of the Health Science Center returning to the UIC campus, but we request we refrain from deciding any administrative structure until the details have been presented and discussed by the faculty and students.

10/30/13-20 There was no further discussion and the motion as amended was seconded and carried.

10/30/13-21 Chair Patston reported on Chancellor Allen-Meares’ Five Year Review and explained that the data has been collected and the Senate Executive Committee is writing a report to President Easter.

EDUCATIONAL POLICY COMMITTEE Ilene Harris, Chair

10/30/13-22 On behalf of the Committee, Chair Harris, using PowerPoint, presented overview of the following new and revised programs and policies for approval: PR-14.03, Revision of the Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science; PR-14.08, Proposal to Establish a Department of Emergency Medicine in the College of Medicine at Peoria; PR-14.09, Proposal to Reactivate and Revise the Minor in Religious Studies; PR-14.10, Proposal to Establish a Minor in Business Administration; PR-14.11, Proposal to Eliminate the Bachelor of Science in Dentistry; CP-14.01, Proposal to Eliminate the Advanced Certificate in Histology; CP-14.02, Proposal to Eliminate the Advanced Certificate in Oral Diagnosis and Oral Medicine; CP-14.03, Proposal to Eliminate the Advanced Certificate in Oral Pathology; and CP-14.04, Proposal to Eliminate the Advanced Certificate in Radiology (Dental). There was no discussion and the motion to approve carried.

EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITTEE John Cullars, Chair

10/30/13-23 Chair Cullars (LIB) solicited nominations for honorary degrees this year. There were no questions or comments.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE Linda Kaste, Chair

10/30/13-24 On behalf of the Committee, Chair Kaste (DENT) presented an overview of the following proposal for approval: CI-14.01, Elimination of the Temporomandibular Joint and Facial Pain Research Center There was no discussion and the motion to approve carried.

10/30/13-25 Chair Kaste (DENT), on behalf of the Committee, presented an overview of the following proposal for approval: CI-14.02, Transfer of the Child and Family Development Center from the College of Education to the Institute of Disability and Human Development, College of Applied Health Sciences.

10/30/13-26 Bo Fernhall, Dean of the College of Applied Health Sciences, explained that his college was approached by the College of Education to absorb the Child and Family Development Center, if interested, because the College of Education does not have the resources to support the program. The College of Applied Health Sciences is able to absorb the financial liability and is excited to welcome
the Child and Family Development Center. The Center is a nice fit for the College of Applied Health Sciences. Dean Fernhall, also, stated that both the College of Education and the College of Applied Health Sciences Deans and faculty approve of the transfer of Child and Family Development Center.

10/30/13-27 Upon vote the motion to approve CI-14.02, Transfer of the Child and Family Development Center from the College of Education to the Institute of Disability and Human Development, College of Applied Health Sciences, carried.

SUPPORT SERVICES COMMITTEE
Albert Schorsch and Demetra John, Co-Chairs

10/30/13-28 Co-Chair Schorsch reported on an item brought to the attention of the Committee about the recent thefts in various departments on the east campus. Some departments requested communication between departments be strengthened when such incidents occur on campus, so that departments can take appropriate precautions to reduce the vulnerability of future thefts.

ACADEMIC SERVICES COMMITTEE Sandy De Groote, Chair

10/30/13-29 There was no discussion regarding the written report of the Academic Services Committee.

OBSERVER, REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

10/30/13-30 SURS Members Advisory Committee Reporting Representative, John Shuler, added a few comments to his written report. He provided an update on the state of pensions and health care benefit concerns for employees. He recommended that the Senate Executive Committee establish a task force to look at how UIC can more effectively communicate both pension and health care benefit issues among the campus community.

10/30/13-31 There was no discussion regarding the written report of the IBHE Faculty Advisory Council Reporting Representative, David Bardack.

OLD BUSINESS

10/30/13-32 Presiding Officer Vincent stated that there was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

10/30/13-33 Presiding Officer Vincent stated that there was no New Business.

ADJOURNMENT

10/30/13-34 The meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Prepared for the Senate by:
Elizabeth Dooley, Senate Clerk