

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE MEETING (2007-08)
JANUARY 24, 2008, STUDENT SERVICES BUILDING (SSB) 3:15 P.M.**

1/24/08-1 The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m. by Presiding Officer Ann Weller (LIB). Senators from the College of Medicine regional site at Peoria, participated by teleconference.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Ann Weller, Presiding Officer

1/24/08-2 Presiding Officer Weller welcomed everyone to the January 24 Senate meeting.

INTERIM CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS Eric Gislason

1/24/08-3 Interim Chancellor Gislason shared some of his background and stated that his top priority as Interim Chancellor is to keep UIC moving forward so that his successor can hit the ground running. He reported on the status of the College of Pharmacy following the January 19th fire. Interim Chancellor Gislason commended the efforts of the UIC facilities personnel, Pharmacy Dean Jerry Bauman, Executive Associate Dean Jan Engle, and their faculty and staff for their great work in coping with a very challenging situation. Interim Chancellor Gislason also reported on the status of the Molecular Biology Research Building, which lost heat on January 19th. He announced that two UIC faculty members, Associate Professor of Political Science Stephen Engelmann and Professor of History Richard John, have been awarded National Endowment for the Humanities fellowships. The Interim Chancellor noted that Michael Anderson, chair of performing arts, will conduct at Carnegie Hall next month. Professor Anderson will lead members of the UIC Chamber Choir and other ensembles from across the country in performing Mozart's Requiem Mass in D minor. Interim Chancellor Gislason provided an update on the issue of sustainability. He explained that Chancellor Manning had formed a campus task force last spring to identify ways that we can improve sustainability at UIC. The task force recently completed its initial work and offered recommendations. One of the task force leaders was Cynthia Klein-Benai, assistant director of our Environmental Health and Safety Office. Subject to approval of the Board of Trustees, he intends to name her an interim associate chancellor in charge of sustainability to continue the momentum of the task force while the next steps on this major initiative are considered. Interim Chancellor Gislason concluded with a powerpoint presentation on the Illinois Bill of Health that he had presented with Trustee Schmidt at the January 2008 Board of Trustees meeting. Following the powerpoint presentation, the Interim Chancellor responded to a question raised by Senator Kaufman (MED) regarding the next steps for the Illinois Bill of Health.

PROVOST'S REMARKS R. Michael Tanner

1/24/08-4 Provost Tanner provided additional information about the College of Pharmacy fire and the Molecular Biology Research Building situation. Provost Tanner also explained that in the spring he plans to bring before the Senate a proposal to move the Department of Economics from the College of Business Administration

to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. There were no questions or comments for the Provost.

GUEST Charles V. Evans, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs and Director of University Outreach and Public Service and Dean of Academic Affairs for Global Campus

1/24/08-5

Assistant Vice President Charles Evans shared a powerpoint presentation on Global Campus. During the presentation he discussed the history, mission, vision and current status of Global Campus.

Provost Tanner inquired about the choice of the Desire to Learn platform for Global Campus. Assistant Vice President Evans explained that the selected platform addressed issues of scale and enabled the program to stay on the technology edge.

Senator Marangoni (GRAD) expressed a concern about the requirement that student fees be paid in full at the start of each term.

Senator Nashat (LAS) inquired about the quality of student and faculty interaction within the online courses.

MINUTES

1/24/08-6

Minutes of the Senate meeting held on November 29, 2007 were approved as submitted.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT Elliot Kaufman, Chair

1/24/08-7

Chairman Kaufman reported that the Committee is still discussing the proposed revision to the *Statutes* involving tenure. He explained that a suggestion had been made to Provost Tanner to raise the issue at an upcoming Deans' Council meeting. Senator Geller (MED) and the Chair discussed the plan currently under consideration by the Provost's Office to revise the tenure hold policy and adopt a modified teaching duties policy to be granted to faculty in the case of child birth/adoption.

EDUCATIONAL POLICY COMMITTEE Mark Schneiderhan, Chair

1/24/08-8

On behalf of the Committee, Chairman Schneiderhan presented an overview of the following new and revised programs for approval: **PR-08.26**, Revision of the Master of Arts in Linguistics; **PR-08.27**, Revision and Re-activation of the Currently Suspended M.S. and Ph.D. in Pathology; **PR-08.28**, Revision of the Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm D) Program; **PR-08.29**, Revision of the Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work; **PR-08.30**, Redesignation of the Bachelor of Arts in Architectural Studies as the Bachelor of Science in Architecture; **PR-08.31**, Revision of the Bachelor of Arts in Music; **PR-08.32**, Revision of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing, RN/BSN Track; **PR-08.33**, Establish a Master of Science in Patient Safety Leadership; **PR-08.34**, Establish a New Course Subject (Rubric), PSL (Patient Safety Leadership); **CP-08.03**, Establish the Undergraduate Chicago Civic Leadership Campus Certificate. There was no discussion and the motion to approve carried.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE Timothy Shanahan, Chair

1/24/08-9

On behalf of the Committee, Research Committee member, Senator Patston (DENT) presented an overview of the following new Center for approval: **CI-08.01**, Establish the Center for Cognitive Medicine. Professor John Sweeney, Department of Psychiatry, provided additional background information about the Center for Cognitive Medicine proposal. The motion to approve carried.

Senator Kaufman (MED), Chair of the Senate Executive Committee, commented that this was the first action item from the Research Committee recommending the approval of a new Center, following the revision of the UIC Senate Bylaws to charge the Senate Research Committee with the responsibility of reviewing and approving the establishment of new campus research and service centers and institutes.

SUPPORT SERVICES COMMITTEE Albert Schorsch, Chair

1/24/08-10

There was no discussion regarding the written report of the Support Services Committee.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS Albert Schorsch, Chair

1/24/08-11

Chairman Schorsch noted a correction to the written report of the Senate Subcommittee on Buildings and Grounds. He reported that since submitting the report he had received an update from ACCC and as a result, paragraph 4 of the Buildings and Grounds report should now read:

"ACCC also met immediately with Prof. Jones and some of the BSB directors, and has agreed to upgrade the entire BSB network infrastructure for classrooms and offices beginning in 2008. A complete enhancement of all BSB faculty offices to Category 5 or 6 wall-jack connections (capable of video downloads and web seminar conferencing, and in the case of Category 6, "Voice Over Internet Protocol") from the present predominant Category 3 connections (adequate for e-mail, but slow for downloads) is a multi-year project."

OBSERVER, REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

1/24/08-12

There was no discussion regarding the written report of the IBHE Faculty Advisory Council. Reporting representative, David Bardack, was unable to be at the meeting today. On his behalf, Presiding Officer Weller noted that the IBHE Faculty Advisory Council is preparing a special report to the IBHE in April. If faculty members have matters that they would like to raise, please e-mail David Bardack (dbardack@uic.edu). Also, at the January Faculty Advisory Council meeting a discussion took place with a North Central Association representative about the implications of the Spellings report. David Bardack will provide more details about that discussion in the March 13 Senate report.

OLD BUSINESS

1/24/08-13

Chairman Kaufman provided an update on the Chancellor search process.

NEW BUSINESS

1/24/08-14 Concerns were raised by Senators Monaghan (LAS) and Teruel (AP-LARES) about unfavorable conditions in the Behavioral Sciences Building.

ADJOURNMENT

1/24/08-15 The meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm.

**Prepared for the Senate by:
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