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MINUTES
CAMPUS SENATE MEETING
AY 2011-2012
FRIDAY, September 23, 2011
10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
PAC CONFERENCE ROOM “G”

Senators Present: X. Li, D. Ruez, P. Boltuc, A. Sisneros, J. Villegas, Y. Zhang, W. Kline, C. Hoelscher, L. Atkinson, J. Tienken, R. Bouray, E. Wilson, D. Ballard, A. Mulvey, K. Jamison, J. Case Pease, G. Simo, D. Schuldt, L. Fisher, D. Bussell, T. Helton, R. Garmil, C. Switzer, J. Martin, K. Sheridan, and T. Ting presiding.

Senator Absent: P. Wassenberg

Ex-Officio: L. Pardie

Guests: Wendy Johnson, Deborah Anthony, Alissa Groeninger, Karen Moranski, Cecilia Cornell, Linda McCown, Evan Stanley, Laura Dorman, Aaron Shures, Laurel Newman, Deanie Brown.

Approval of the Agenda

The meeting was called to order by Ting at 10:00 a.m. A motion by Ballard and seconded by Villegas to approve the agenda carried unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes

A motion by Fisher and seconded by Martin to consider the minutes from the September 9, 2011 Senate meeting was made. Corrections, modifications, clarifications, and deletions were indicated by Villegas, Martin, Fisher, Bussell, and Salela. The motion to approve the minutes carried unanimously.

Announcements

Martin made an announcement regarding the schedule for STAR parties.

Reports

Chair - T. Ting

Ting reminded senators of Chancellor Koch’s reception for Senators on Friday September 30, at 4:30 p.m. Also, she reminded Senators to RSVP to the Chancellor’s invitation to the event, Jazz at the Lincoln Center. She thanked Villegas for bringing the University-wide Climate Survey to the attention of the Senate and spoke briefly about the informational meeting held last week and indicated that the Survey will roll out October 26, 2011. She announced that Chancellor Koch will be holding open forums October 3 at 4:00 pm (on-campus), October 3 at 7:00 pm (online), and October 6 at noon (on campus). The open forums will focus on the process of revisiting and refreshing the UIS Strategic Plan. Members of the campus community will have opportunities to ask the Chancellor questions as well. Ting announced that she is awaiting confirmation from the Athletic Director regarding her availability to address the Campus Senate.

Fisher requested some additional information regarding Resolution 41-11 transmitted to USC as well as the recent USC meeting and retreat. Ting clarified that her teaching schedule and Martin’s teaching schedule are in conflict with the most of the USC conference meetings this term. Ting made alternative arrangements for her class in August in order to attend the USC meeting with Switzer. She commented

49 that Martin will attend the October meeting with Switzer and that she, Martin and Switzer will attend the
50 November meeting. An attempt was made to send a senate alternate (Senator Kline) to the September
51 meeting. This was not allowed as we were told that the USC would have quorum regardless. An appeal
52 was made, but to no effect. Switzer attended the evening session of the USC retreat on Tuesday
53 September 20 and attended the full regular meeting on September 21. The UIS resolution regarding the
54 USC leadership rotation was on the agenda.

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56 Switzer reported that there was an overwhelming expression of concern and desire to work together to
57 re-establish a good working relationship from virtually all of the members of the USC, including
58 leadership. Switzer urged the USC to postpone discussion on the resolution until the October USC
59 meeting so that all three representatives could discuss a resolution informally before the next meeting.
60 Martin added that this is a situation in which we want what's best for our campus and the university as a
61 whole and that we need to be mindful that this is a situation between USC and the UIS Senate. Any
62 response must come from the UIS Senate. Ting seconded Martin's comments.

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64 **Provost – L. Pardie**

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66 Pardie announced that UIS was listed as the top public, regional University in Illinois in U.S. News and
67 World Report and 4th best University in the category in the Midwest. This is the fourth straight year that
68 we have held that ranking.

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70 The UIS Downstate Innocence Project has been awarded a \$249,000 grant from U.S. DOJ for funding of
71 investigations, which will involve students. Ray Schroeder, head of the UIS on-line Center for Research
72 and Service was invited to a National Press Club panel to speak on creating the "classroom of the future".
73 Professor Michael Cheney of the Communications Department was awarded a 2011 SLOAN-C award for
74 excellence in on-line teaching. Professor Keith Miller of the computer science department has been
75 named as a finalist for a world, technology award in computer ethics.

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77 L. Pardie indicated that she will be providing an update in the next few weeks regarding payments from
78 the State of Illinois to the University of Illinois.

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80 **Student Government Association - E. Wilson**

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82 Wilson reported that the SGA has received election results and committee assignments will be finalized
83 by the end of next week. The annual SGA fall retreat is this weekend. The UIS SGA is working with the
84 UIUC SGA to plan a university-wide dialogue.

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86 **Provost Report of Freshman Profile and Retention – L. Pardie**

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88 L. Pardie provided senators with a handout of comparative data on the Cap Scholars Honors program and
89 the Cap Scholars traditional program. Her report focused on demographics, entering ACT scores, GPA,
90 and retention rates.

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92 **Old Business**

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94 **Resolution 41-13 Faculty Personnel Policies Article 5 -- Modifications in Policy for Determining**
95 **Class Size [2nd reading]**

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97 A motion by Wilson and seconded by Garmil) to consider Resolution 41-13 was made. With no
98 discussion brought forward, the Resolution was passed with unanimous support.

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100 **Resolution 41-14 Faculty Personnel Policies Article 9 -- Clarification of Policy Regarding**
101 **Department Chair Compensation [2nd reading]**

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103 A motion by Ballard and seconded by Wilson to consider Resolution 41-14 was made. With no discussion
104 brought forward, the Resolution was passed with 1 no vote.

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106 **New Business**

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108 **Resolution 41-15 Faculty Personnel Policies Article 9 -- Request for Reallocation of Faculty Duties**
109 **[1st reading]**

110 A motion by Bussell and seconded by Villegas to consider Resolution 41-15 was made.

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112 Anthony clarified the goal of this resolution is to put into place a formal system for communicating how
113 faculty responsibilities will be handled in the event of extended leaves of absences with pay (8 weeks or
114 greater) to departments. This resolution allows for a restructuring of duties and then communicating that
115 plan to all members of a department.

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117 A motion by Boltuc and seconded by Zhang to amend was made and the wording regarding engagement
118 in the campus community was changed to reflect the categories of teaching, scholarship, advising and
119 service only. The motion to amend was passed with 20 yes votes and 6 no votes.

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121 A motion by Helton and seconded by Garmil to amend was made and the wording regarding the
122 expectations of faculty was made. The motion to amend was passed unanimously.

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124 **Resolution 41-16 Faculty Personnel Policies Articles 5 & 7 -- Campus Service for Terminal**
125 **Contract Faculty**

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127 A motion by Bussell and seconded by Li to consider Resolution 41-16 was made. Anthony provided an
128 explanation of the resolution and indicated that there is currently no policy regarding the resignation or
129 removal of faculty serving on personnel committees or other major committees during their terminal
130 contract year. The policy would be in effect beginning Fall 2012.

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132 A friendly amendment by Garmil was made to change the language of the resolution, specifically to use
133 “terminal year contract” rather than “terminal contract”.

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135 **Resolution 41-17 Faculty Personnel Policies Article 2 -- Clarification of Personnel Committee**
136 **Operating Procedures [1st reading]**

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138 A motion by Wilson and seconded by Li to consider was made. Anthony explained that there currently is
139 a problem with Article 2 in that it lacks clarity regarding the types of information that can be
140 appropriately considered in the evaluation of faculty for reappointment and tenure. This resolution
141 explicates that personal knowledge of a candidate cannot be introduced in the reappointment and tenure
142 review process unless that knowledge has been previously entered into the faculty personnel file.

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144 **Adjournment**

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146 A motion by Ballard and seconded by Martin) to adjourn carried with unanimous support and the meeting
147 was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.