

November 25, 2008

Members of the Board Academic Matters Committee

Ed Hightower, Chair
Keith Sanders
Demetrous White

The Academic Matters Committee will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 11, 2008, in Ballroom B in the Student Center, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

The following items are suggested for the agenda:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the September 11, 2008, Meeting (enclosure)
2. Information Report: Public Agenda
3. Information Report: Minority, Women and Disabled Students, Faculty and Staff, Annual Report 2008 (enclosure)
Presenters: Paul Pitts, Director of Institutional Compliance, SIUE
Kay Titchenal, Executive Director of Human Resources, School of Medicine
Seymour Bryson, Associate Chancellor (Diversity), Emeritus, SIUC
4. Presentation: Undergraduate Research at SIUC
Presenters: Prudence Rice, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research and Director, Office of Research Development and Administration
Chasity Love, Senior in Chemistry and Biochemistry
Jamie Douglas, Former Undergraduate Researcher, Graduate Student in Animal Science, Food and Nutrition
David Schwartz, Freshman in Physiology
5. Other Business

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Sincerely,

John S. Haller, Jr.
Vice President for Academic Affairs

/am

Enclosures

cc: Frank William Bonan II	Glenn Poshard
John Simmons	Samuel Goldman
Amber Suggs	Vaughn Vandegriff
Roger Tedrick	Constituency Heads
Stephen Wigginton	Other Interested Parties
Marquita T. Wiley	

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Minutes of the Academic Matters Committee Meeting

September 11, 2008

The Academic Matters Committee met following the Executive Committee on Thursday, September 11, 2008, in the Conference Center, 2nd Floor, in the Delyte W. Morris University Center, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Present were: Ed Hightower, Chair; Keith Sanders; and Demetrous White. Other Board members present were: John Simmons, Amber Suggs, Roger Tedrick, Stephen Wigginton, and Marquita Wiley. Executive Officers present were: President Glenn Poshard; Interim Chancellor Samuel Goldman, SIUC; Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift, SIUE; Vice President John S. Haller, Jr.; and Vice President Duane Stucky.

Minutes

Dr. Keith Sanders moved to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2008, meeting. The motion was duly seconded by Committee Chair Ed Hightower.

Information Report: Accreditation and Quality Assurance

Vice President John Haller presented the Accreditation and Quality Assurance Report, submitted annually to the Illinois Board of Higher Education, and noted that the report identifies the University's accredited programs as well as those that are in candidacy status.

Dr. Sanders moved that the report be approved by Committee for submission to the Illinois Board of Higher Education. The motion was duly seconded by Dr. Hightower.

Executive Summary: Resource Allocation and Management Program (RAMP) Planning, Operations, and Capital Budget Request, Fiscal Year 2010 (Joint Discussion with Finance Committee and Architecture and Design Committee) (Board Agenda Item L)

Vice President Haller stated that this matter was being presented for Board of Trustees approval in concert with the Finance Committee and the Architecture and Design Committee. He noted that the RAMP document, a resource management proposal, reflected the six goals of *The Illinois Commitment*, an agenda for Illinois higher education that was adopted by the Illinois Board of Higher Education in 1998 and which replaced the Priorities, Quality, and Productivity (PQP) initiative that had been in effect since 1991. He also noted that the IBHE was in the process of developing

a new set of goals known as the Public Agenda and that the University could expect to see those goals ultimately approved by December.

Vice President Haller spoke briefly about the Planning component of the RAMP proposal, noting that the number one priority for both campuses was recruiting, retaining, and rewarding critical faculty and staff. He added that additional priority areas, listed on page 7 of the RAMP document, have been identified by both campuses and the School of Medicine if and when budget dollars become available.

Vice President Duane Stucky directed the Board to page 16 of the RAMP document and noted that the Operating request was actually a combination of Program requests and Operating requests. He explained that the Operating requests were the requests for increases in funds for normal operations, principally salary increases at almost \$10 million. Other requests included a \$2 million increase for utilities and \$2 million for equipment and supplies. The Program requests totaled \$13 million and the Operating requests totaled \$18 million, for a requested increase of almost \$31 million in the Operating budget for the University.

Vice President Stucky stated that the Capital request side, for which the summary could be found on page 17, was composed of major capital projects and maintenance projects put together by the campuses and originally submitted to the Board in the same priority as was submitted last year. He reminded the Board that within the last few days they received a revision of the order of priority for Capital requests. He then explained that on further consideration, the President believed Morris Library should be moved from priority 6 to priority 3 because the capital bill included funding for the Transportation Center, the Science Center at Edwardsville, and Morris Library, and the University's request should reflect that those three projects were together. Upon Board approval, the Capital request would include the Science Building, the Tech Center, and Morris Library as the top three priorities.

Dr. Sanders moved to include the matter on the Board's omnibus motion. The motion was duly seconded by Dr. Hightower and was passed by Committee.

Presentation: Summary of SIUE Faculty Perceptions: 2007 UCLA-HERI Faculty Survey

SIUE Provost Paul Ferguson and SIUE Faculty Senate President Duff Wrobbel presented the results of the UCLA-HERI faculty study conducted by the Higher Education Research Institute. This national study, administered every three years, looks at faculty attitudes about general academic as well as institutional-specific issues.

Other Business

Having no further business before it, the Academic Matters Committee adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

JSH/mam