

January 28, 2011

Members of the Board Academic Matters Committee

Ed Hightower, Chair
Frank William Bonan II
Alex Vansaghi

The Academic Matters Committee will meet immediately following the Executive Committee on Thursday, February 10, 2011, 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 December 9, 2010, Meeting (enclosure)
2. Recommendation for Distinguished Service Award, SIUC [George William Beck] (Agenda Item J)
3. Recommendation for Distinguished Service Award, SIUC [George Sheffer] (Agenda Item K)
4. Recommendation for Honorary Degree, SIUC [Nuruddin Farah] (Agenda Item L)
5. Recommendation for Honorary Degree, SIUC [Amy Goodman] (Agenda Item M)
6. Recommendation for Distinguished Service Award, SIUE [Dolores Rohrkaste] (Agenda Item N)
7. Recommendation for Honorary Degree, SIUE [Clinton Van Zandt] (Agenda Item O)
8. Information Report: *Fiscal Year 2010 Performance Report* (enclosure)
9. Presentation: *What Made SIUC the Right Choice?*

Presenters: Lori Merrill-Fink, Director, University Honors Program
Fahran Robb, First-Year Law Student from Pinckneyville, IL
Lucas Pulley, Senior in Mathematics from Gibson City, IL

10. Other Business

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I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Sincerely,

Paul D. Sarvela

Vice President for Academic Affairs

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Enclosures

cc: Jeff Harrison
John Simmons
Roger Tedrick

Marquita T. Wiley
Glenn Poshard
Rita Cheng

Vaughn Vandegrift
Constituency Heads
Other Interested Parties

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Minutes of the Academic Matters Committee Meeting

December 9, 2010

The Academic Matters Committee met at 9:10 a.m. on Thursday, December 9, 2010, in Ballroom B in the Student Center, Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Present were: Ed Hightower, chair; Frank William Bonan II; Keith Sanders by telephone, and Alex Vansaghi. Other Board members present were: Jeff Harrison, Roger Tedrick, and Marquita Wiley. Board member absent: John Simmons. Executive Officers present were: President Glenn Poshard; Chancellor Rita Cheng, SIUC; Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift, SIUE; Vice President Jerry Blakemore; Vice President Paul D. Sarvela; and Senior Vice President Duane Stucky.

Minutes

Motion was made by Mr. Bonan to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2010, meeting. The motion was duly seconded by Dr. Sanders and passed by Committee.

Information Report: State of Illinois Higher Education Finance Study Commission Draft Report

Vice President Sarvela explained the creation of the Higher Education Finance Study Commission and noted its charges: (1) compare funding for higher education with other states and peer institutions; (2) compare productivity of Illinois higher education to other state systems and peer institutions; (3) analyze best practices using other states; and (4) review tuition and financial aid policies and consider alternative funding mechanisms. He commented on the Commission's draft report, which was released to the General Assembly and the Governor on December 1, 2010, and talked about the Commission's focus on student and university funding.

Organizational Change: Family and Community Medicine/Springfield Residency Program, Springfield Medical Campus, SIUC (Joint Discussion with Finance Committee) (Board Agenda Item X)

Vice President Sarvela presented the School of Medicine's request to reorganize the Family and Community Medicine/Springfield Residency Program so it will meet the requirements to become a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC). FQHCs provide medical and dental care to medically underserved populations in a region, and it was determined by a group of expert consultants that there is a need for an FQHC in the Springfield area. He stated that the School of Medicine was submitting a grant application to the Health Resources and Services Administration, a division of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, to receive the FQHC designation.

Motion was made by Dr. Sanders to move the matter to the omnibus motion. The motion was duly seconded by Mr. Bonan and passed by Committee.

Presentation: *Recruitment and Retention Initiatives*

John Nicklow, Interim Assistant Provost, described SIU Carbondale's current and future initiatives for increasing enrollment and retention and presented information about Saluki First Year, a program designed to enhance the effectiveness of the first year of college.

Other Business

Having no further business before it, the Academic Matters Committee adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

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