Minutes
Academic Affairs Committee
Board of Trustees
June 12, 2007

The Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees met in Room A, 18th Floor Patterson Office Tower at 9:30 a.m. on June 12. Myra Tobin, Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, called the meeting to order. The following members were in attendance: Penny Brown, Ann Haney, Ernie Yanarella and Barbara Young.

Ms. Tobin distributed the minutes of the April 24, 2007 meeting and asked for any corrections or additions. There being no changes, a motion was made by Barbara Young to accept the minutes as distributed and seconded by Ernie Yanarella. The motion was unanimously approved.

AACR 1: Candidates for Degrees – Resolution requesting authorization for the President to confer degrees to each individual identified on the attached list, upon certification that the requirements for those degrees have been satisfactorily completed. A motion was made by Ann Haney to approve the recommendation and seconded by Barbara Young. The motion was unanimously approved.

AACR 2: Change of Organizational Structure of the Graduate Center for Nutritional Sciences – Resolution requesting approval to transfer the administrative oversight for the Graduate Center for Nutritional Sciences from the Graduate School to the College of Medicine, effective July 1, 2007. A motion was made by Penny Brown to approve the recommendation and seconded by Ernie Yanarella. The motion was unanimously approved.

AACR 3: Establishment of the Institute of Research for Technology Development – Resolution requesting approval to establish the Institute of Research for Technology Development. Dr. Subbaswamy briefly described Dr. Saito’s research and the new opportunities associated with this institute. A motion was made by Ernie Yanarella to approve the recommendation and seconded by Ann Haney. The motion was unanimously approved.

AACR 4: Academic Degree Recommendation – Resolution requesting approval of the establishment of a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in International Studies in the College of Arts and Sciences, effective in the fall 2007 semester. The proposed new degree program will bring together international curricular strengths into a coherent and well-developed program of study. A motion was made by Ernie Yanarella to approve the recommendation and seconded by Ann Haney. The motion was unanimously approved.

AACR 5: Proposed Revision to Governing Regulations: Automatic Extension of Probationary Periods – Revision of Governing Regulation X which implements an automatic one-year extension of the probationary period for regular, special, extension, and librarian title series faculty who become the parent of a child or children by birth, adoption, or guardianship, or who
assume significant responsibilities for the care of a relative or domestic partner. This is the first reading of the revision and will not be voted on at the Board meeting. A motion was made by Barbara Young to approve the first reading and seconded by Penny Brown. The motion was unanimously approved.

AARC 6: Proposed Revision to Administrative Regulation: Clinical Title Series – Resolution requesting a revision of Administrative Regulation II-1.0-1, page IX, Appointment and Promotion in the Clinical Title Series. The proposed revision consists of clarifying the procedure, criteria, and conditions for the Clinical Title Series and a general reformatting of the regulation. A motion was made by Ernie Yanarella to approve the recommendation and seconded by Barbara Young. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Tobin introduced Dr. Kaveh Tagavi, Chair of the University Senate Council. Dr. Tagavi gave a brief summary of the role and functions of the University Senate. He also discussed the composition, councils, and standings committees of the Senate. Dr. Subbaswamy commented that faculty self-governance is rooted in Europe and is well ingrained in American institutions and Dr. Yanarella stated there is a great deal of variance from institution to institution.

Jay Blanton, Executive Director of Public Relations/Marketing, briefly reported on UK’s efforts to build a UK brand. Last summer the university contracted with STAMATS to conduct survey research to gauge UK in the marketplace and evaluation our admissions’ processes. In the coming months we will be hearing more about initiatives that will be put in place to move UK’s marketing efforts forward.

Ms. Tobin thanked everyone for attending; adjourning the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Myra Tobin, Chair
Academic Affairs Committee