

Chancellor Search and Advisory Committee

Update to the Faculty Senate, October 13, 2009

1. Pre-search committee formed by the President approximately Spring, 2008, consisting of constituency heads or their designates and representatives of the FA and NTT Association. Purpose was to develop a viable pool of potential applicants. Committee surveyed the campus community on desirable attributes of a Chancellor and conducted literature reviews on characteristics of university leaders. From this, a competency model was developed. The committee determined that provosts or similar administrators from similarly situated or stronger universities, or college presidents at similarly situated or slightly smaller universities would best fit the competency model, but that the position would not be limited to those with such experience.
2. Pre-search committee developed a list of provosts and presidents/chancellors at peer institutions, peers of peers, etc., containing around 300 potential candidates. Members researched each person via online methods and narrowed the list to about 35 potential candidates.
3. A second group of “advisors” (consisting of former or peer chancellors and other “friends” of the university with significant knowledge of higher education leadership), examined the list and identified about 20 more potential candidates.
4. Roger Tedtrick, BOT chair sent a letter to those on this final list of approximately 55 potential candidates and asked if they would consider being a candidate. The letter offered them an opportunity to have conversations with selected university officials to get more information about SIUC. Approximately five individuals responded affirmatively, and four formally applied. Several other individuals were nominated by SIUC members or friends of SIUC
5. Position opening was publicly announced on July 1 with a Sept. 15, soft deadline. Webpage established: www.siuc.edu/chancellorsearch/ .
6. Twenty-nine applications received.
7. Committee thoroughly reviewed each candidate, first narrowing the list to about 12, then to 6.
8. Off-site interviews scheduled soon.
9. On-campus interviews scheduled for November
10. Open Forum and panel discussions
11. Joint FS, GS, FA, and NTTA meetings.