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DATE: December 12, 2017
TO: Policy Committee
FROM: Harry Hilton, UIUC AAUP Chapter President
RE: President's Monthly Report to Policy Committee (11/7/17 – 12/12/17)

1 – Statute revisions: The revisions have been approved by the three senates and the Senates Council. They were transmitted to the president on December 5, 2016. President Killeen and Executive VP Wilson indicated that they are actively pursuing the various details necessary for a major revision effort. Next BoT meetings are on:

Jan 18, 2018	Chicago
Mar 15, 2018	Urbana
May 17, 2018	Springfield
July 18-19, 2018	Urbana

I have been assured of notification prior of transmittal to BoT of the president's recommendations. Nothing has yet been transmitted. Barbara Wilson has indicated that a general "clean up" of the statute language is in progress.

2 – PC meetings with administrators: I have requested a PC member meeting with Chancellor Jones and he has indicated that he will be out of town on our Fall meeting dates. The Spring 2018 dates were communicated to his office two months ago. So far, no response.

3 – Tenure and promotion workshop: I have sent an email invitation to the provost designee Andreas Cangellaris – current engineering dean - and associate provost Bill Bernhard so that an early Spring 2018 date can be set. As soon as I hear from them I will contact others for the panel and let you know the date for the work shop and associated details.

4 – Legislative attacks on tenure, course content and free speech: Bob Parker continues to track and monitor news items on these important subjects. I have contacted Matt Finkin and invited him to lead a discussion on these topics at our May 2018 annual membership meeting. I will communicate developments to you as they occur.

5 – Shared governance questionnaire: Twenty per cent of the questionnaires were returned in mid-April. Interim provost Wilkin graciously agreed to resent the questionnaire this summer to the unit heads. Responses were received and our ad hoc committee is evaluating them. Hadi Esfahani will report when the evaluation has been completed. A similar questionnaire will be sent next to the UIUC tenure track and tenured faculty through the provost office. We may wish to consider this topic and responses for a special meeting.