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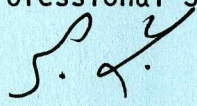
MEMO TO:  Faculty and Professional Staff Employees

FROM:     Earl Lazerson

On September 30, 1988, the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Board (IELRB) concluded that the petitioned-for bargaining units of Faculty and Professional Staff at the SIUC and SIUE campuses should be separate, and by a 2-1 vote the Board ruled that department chairs should be included in the Faculty bargaining units.  It has also been concluded that Faculty and Professional Staff should be represented in separate bargaining units.  The long-awaited decision paves the way for eligible Faculty members and Professional Staff employees to vote on whether they wish to be represented for the purposes of collective bargaining and, if so, which organization will represent them.

This Thursday, October 6, representatives of the University, the petitioning labor organizations, and the Executive Director of the IELRB will meet in Springfield to plan the details and logistics of the election and to finalize the lists of those employees who will be included in the petitioned-for bargaining units and thereby eligible to vote.  The election is expected to take place during the month of November.  In the very near future you will be notified of your eligibility to vote and the details related to the election.