

DIVISIONAL COUNCIL

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Item

I.	Consultation with EVC/Provost Provost Camfield	10 Min
II.	Consultation with Assistant Vice Provost for Academic Personnel, Becky Gubser AVP Gubser will consult with Divisional Council regarding questions about research-related academic appointments. This consultation follows Divisional Council's discussion at its February 20, 2019 meeting of CoR's recommendation to re-establish the Research Professor series.	15 Min
III.	Chair's Report & Announcements – Chair Schnier A. Meeting EVC/Provost Camfield (3/27) B. Meeting with Chancellor and EVC/Provost Camfield (3/21)	5 Min
IV.	CRE Election Update - CRE Chair Viney	5 Min
V.	Admissions and Financial Aid Subcommittee Report – AFAS Chair Keske	5 Min
VI.	Consent Calendar A. The agenda	5 Min
VII.	Systemwide Review Items A. Proposed UC Transfer Admission Guarantee – AFAS Chair Keske Members are asked to discuss committee comments on the proposal from the Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools (BOARS) for a systemwide transfer admission guarantee for qualified California Community College students. UGC, AFAS, and the School Executive Committees are lead committees for this review.	10 Min

Requested Action: Transmit Division comments to the systemwide Senate Chair by April 16, 2019.

Committee Comments:

- [AFAS](#) offered a number of comments.
- [CRE](#) agrees with the document's spirit, while raising concerns about the impact on enrollment across majors and campus resources and offered a suggestion for managing this.
- [D&E](#) supports its implementation.
- [UGC](#) urged simplifying and clarifying transfer information and offered a number of related comments.

Committees that declined to comment, but appreciated the opportunity to opine: CAP, CAPRA, FWAf, GC, and the Natural Sciences Executive Committee.

VIII. Campus Review Items

25 Min

- A. [Extension Proposal for Distance Education Teacher Preparation Program](#) – GC Chair Westerling
Members are asked to discuss [committee comments](#) on [the proposal](#) from University Extension to establish a distance education version of the non-degree program *UC Merced Extension Teacher Preparation Program, Multiple Subject Credential and Single Subject Credential*. On March 26, [Extension communicated revisions](#) to the total number of units required for the non-degree program. GC and CAPRA are the lead committees for this review.

Requested Action: Endorse the proposal and transmit the Senate’s approval to AVC and Extension Dean Orcutt.

Committee Comments:

- [CAPRA](#) supports the program, following an analysis of the resource implications.
- [CRE](#) identified three points for clarification.
- [GC](#) approved the proposal with a request that the program submit for GC’s review the assessment report for the program’s first cohort.

Committees that declined to comment, but appreciated the opportunity to opine: CAP, CoR, D&E, FWAf, UGC, and the Natural Sciences Executive Committee.

- B. [Psychological Sciences Honors Program Proposal](#) - AFAS Chair Keske
Members are asked to discuss [committee comments](#) on the [Psychological Sciences Honors Program Proposal](#). UGC and CAPRA were the lead committees for this review.

Requested Action: Determine next steps.

Committee Comments:

- [CAPRA](#) asks that the discrepancy between the program’s and the Dean’s Office’s assessment of the resource needs (instructional credit) be resolved.
- [CoR](#) endorses the proposal.
- [CRE](#) asks that the discrepancy between the program’s and the Dean’s Office’s assessment of the resource needs (instructional credit) be resolved; clarification regarding the implementation date of two new courses needed for the program was also recommended.
- [UGC](#) asks that the discrepancy between the program’s and the Dean’s Office’s assessment of the resource needs (instructional credit) be resolved.

Committees that declined to comment, but appreciated the opportunity to opine: CAP, D&E, FWAf, and GC.

- C. [Charge to Enrollment Strategy Committee](#) – AFAS Chair Keske
Members are asked to continue discussion, initiated at the March 4, 2019 meeting, of [committee comments](#) on the [draft charge to the Enrollment Strategy Committee](#). As per DivCo’s request, AFAS’s formal, written response together UGC’s consideration of that response are provided below. In addition to consideration of committee comments, at the March 4 meeting it was noted that the charge may be read as expecting program targets to be set by others than department chairs; yet enrollment is a curriculum issue. Lead committees for this review are UGC, AFAS, and the school executive committees.

Action Requested: Transmit Division comments to the EVC/Provost.

Committee Comments:

- [AFAS](#) provides a number of questions and recommendations to strengthen the charge and related work.
- [CAPRA](#) supports the charge and identified two issues that may need to be addressed.
- [CRE](#) endorsed the charge and offered several comments for consideration regarding the committee's work.
- [GC](#) endorsed the charge and offered several recommendations related to the work of the committee.
- [UGC](#) supports the proposal and offered three comments/observations.

Committees that declined to comment, but appreciated the opportunity to opine: CAP, CoR, FWAF

IX. Academic Emergency Committee – *Chair Schnier* 10 Min

The EVC/Provost is proposing to establish a committee to handle urgent decisions that impact the academic mission of the campus. Members are invited to discuss the roles and responsibilities of such a committee, and to identify the Senate representation to such a group, including delegates should the Senate's representative be unavailable.

Requested Action: Identify a Senate representative to the committee, and delegates.

X. Discussion Item: Chairs' Reports 5 Min

Committee chairs' reports were circulated to members by email on Thursday, March 28. Members are invited to follow-up on any reported items.

XI. Informational Items

- 3/27 - Senate Chair May transmitted to President Napolitano and Provost Brown [the Academic Council's endorsement](#) of 1) a report and eight recommendations from UCACC and UCOLASC concerning the use of research information management systems (RIMS) to assess faculty, and 2) a request from UCACC and UCOLASC that the Provost initiate a systemwide review of all RIMS.
- 3/25 – Chair Schnier transmitted to the EVC/Provost Camfield [additional input on SMART goals](#) in support of the next generation of faculty and research at UC Merced.