

**DIVISIONAL COUNCIL
AGENDA
Wednesday, March 4, 2020
9:00am – 10:30am**

KL 362

Zoom URL: <https://ucmerced.zoom.us/j/2092284369>
or 1-669-900-6833 (Meeting ID: 209 228 4369)

Supporting Documents available on [Box](#)
[Committee Bylaws](#)

- I. Chair’s Announcements – Tom Hansford** **15min**
- A. Meeting with Interim Chancellor Brostrom and EVC/Provost Camfield (February 19, 2020)
 - B. Academic Council (February 26, 2020)
 - C. Deans’ Council (March 3, 2020)
 - D. COVID-19

- II. Consent Calendar** **5min**
- A. The Agenda
 - B. [February 19, 2020 Meeting Minutes](#)

- III. Executive Session** **25min**

- IV. [White Paper on Recognizing International Activities in Merit, Tenure and Promotion Processes](#)** **10min**
- CAP Chair Van Dyke
- The White Paper was prepared by Michael Lazzara, Associate VP for Academic Programs, Global Affairs at UCD, and UC Senior International Officers. They present an argument for why the University of California should consider changing the APM to include language that allows for a faculty member’s international activities to be recognized in the merit, tenure and promotion reviews. UGC, CAP, GC, and the School Executive Committees were lead reviewers.

CAP, CoR*, UGC, SNS and SSHA Executive Committees’ comments are available [here](#).

**was not a lead review committee*

GC declined to comment but appreciated the opportunity to opine.

Requested Action:

- Transmit DivCo’s response to the UCM representative on the [UC International Education Committee](#) by March 15, 2020.

- V. Consultation with Maria DePrano, Chair of LASC** **10min**
- Scheduled from 9:55am-10:05am (Zoom)*
- The [University Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication](#) (UCOLASC) has asked each campus LASC committee to write a letter in response to the [Office of Science and Technology Policy](#)¹ (OSTP) RFI. LASC Chair DePrano is inviting DivCo and CoR to consider writing a joint statement.

¹ The Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) is a department in the Executive Office of the

Provided as a reference, is a [January 17, 2020 letter from the California Digital Library in support of a zero-embargo](#).

Requested Action: Members of DivCo review and endorse proposed draft letter for transmittal to Lisa Nichols, Assistant Director for Academic Engagement, OSTP.

Draft Letter is available [here](#).

VI. Proposals from Standing Senate Committees 10min

- A. [Amendments to UCM Senate Bylaw I.III.5-Divisional Representatives](#) – CRE Chair Viney
Members discuss CRE’s proposal to amend UCM Senate Bylaw I.III.5. Background and rationale are provided in the hyperlinked memo above, from CRE.

Requested Actions:

- Members discuss proposed Bylaw amendments and endorse as presented, or revise as needed.
- DivCo invites Senate Committees and School Executive Committees to review the amendments.

The Bylaw amendments will be presented by Chair Viney at the May 7, 2020 Meeting of the Division.

- B. [UGC’s Proposal to Establish Admissions and Financial Aid as a Stand-Alone Senate Committee](#) – UGC Chair Sharping and CRE Chair Viney
Last semester, members of UGC unanimously endorsed the establishment of AFAS as a stand-alone Senate Committee (AFAC). The three Senate faculty who serve on AFAS are also members of UGC and had the opportunity to discuss and vote on the proposal.

Members of CRE discussed the proposal at their February 25 meeting and offered comments related to the term of service for the Chair of AFAC/BOARS representative (two years instead of one); and the Chair’s compensation. Please refer to CRE’s memo, [available here](#).

Draft Bylaws are available [here](#).

Requested Actions:

- Members discuss UGC’s proposal to establish AFAS as AFAC and the proposed draft Bylaws for AFAC.
- Members agree on next steps.

VII. Discussion Item: Chairs’ Reports 5min

Committee chairs’ reports will be circulated to members by email. Members are invited to follow-up on any reported items.

VIII. Informational Items

5min

- [Assembly Action on Revisions to Senate Regulation 424.A.3 \(Area D\)](#)
- [Assembly of the Academic Senate Resolution on the Search for a New President](#)
- [Academic Council Comments on Proposed Revisions to APM-120, Emerita/Emeritus Titles](#)
- [Academic Council Comments on the Working Group on Comprehensive Access Chair's Report](#)

IX. Other Business

5min