

**Undergraduate Council (UGC)****Agenda  
Monday, September 25, 2017  
2:00-3:10pm  
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- I. Chair’s Report – Anne Zanzucchi** **10 min**
- A. Welcome Marc Beutel, UGC Member (ENGR)
  - B. Welcome Levi Martin, ASUCM Representative
  - C. [UGC representation on subcommittees and systemwide committees](#)  
Updates:
    - i. Catherine Keske will serve as the UGC vice chair this academic year (nomination was endorsed by CoC)
    - ii. Justin Cook will serve as the UGC representative on the Library and Scholarly Communications Committee (Pending CoC’s endorsement).
  - D. [Curriculog](#) – The CPMIS group is seeking faculty volunteers to test the new system. Justin Cook has agreed to participate in this initiative.
  - E. [Teaching in Difficult Times](#) – September 29, 1:00-2:00pm
  - F. Academic Governance Cabinet – September 18
- II. Vice Chair’s Report – Catherine Keske** **5 min**
- A. Current UGC Vacancies:
    - i. CRFs/Policy Subcommittee: Three UGC members, ideally one from each school
    - ii. [General Education Subcommittee](#): One UGC member
    - iii. Representatives on [UCEP](#) and [UCIE](#)
    - iv. ASUCM Representative on [AFAS](#)
- III. Consent Calendar** **5 min**
- A. Approval of the Agenda
  - B. Approval of the [September 11 Meeting Minutes](#)
  - C. Approval of [BIO 018: Statistics for Scientific Data Analysis](#)  
Policy for Approval of New/Revised Courses:  
<https://ucmerced.app.box.com/file/196951625109>
- IV. [Revised UGC Bylaws](#)** **5 min**
- The Bylaws were presented to UGC on August 28. Additional revisions were proposed at the meeting and have been incorporated in the proposal.

Actions requested: UGC reviews the revisions hyperlinked above and sends its recommendation to the Committee on Rules and Elections and the Senate Chair.

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V. **General Education Report – Chair Vevea and UGC Representative Catherine Keske** 10 min

VI. **September 18 Enrollment Management Council Meeting – VCSA Nies and VPDUE Whitt** 10 min

VII. **Request from the School of Engineering – CRF Best Practice** 5 min

At the last meeting, members discussed a faculty member’s request regarding the cost associated with running a course with a lab. The faculty member created [a new course](#) last semester that included a lab; the faculty is concerned that the course may be too costly to *always* run it with a lab, and has subsequently submitted a [new CRF for a new course number](#) to be the same title, and lecture content, but doesn’t include a lab component.

Following the September 11 discussion, Chair Zanzucchi sent a recommendation to the Registrar summarizing the UGC’s discussion, and invited comments by Sep. 20. The Chair’s email is available here:

<https://ucmerced.box.com/s/e9kfm5vh0f6fxj29jegwgg5mbbk5rnm>

Action Requested: UGC determines if this is an actionable item.

VIII. **Campus Review Items:** 20 min

A. [Sustainability Draft Strategic Plan](#)

The Sustainability Strategic Plan describes UC Merced’s comprehensive approach to ensuring that campus-wide sustainability goals are achieved. Among the goals are UCM’s “triple net zero commitment”, which requires that the campus produce power renewably, generate zero landfill waste, and achieve climate neutrality by 2020.

Chairs of standing and executive committees have been invited to comment. UGC, GC, and CoR are lead reviewers.

Action Requested: If UGC chooses to opine, comments are due to the Senate Chair by October 2.

B. [Climate Action Plan](#) – Anne Zanzucchi and Gerardo Diaz

The Climate Action Plan provides a focused presentation of climate-related planning and clarifies policy commitments included in UCM’s [Long Range Development Plan](#) and being planned by individual “sustainability stakeholders” working through the Chancellor’s Advisory Committee on Sustainability.

Chairs of standing and executive committees have been invited to comment. CAPRA is the lead reviewer.

Action Requested: If UGC chooses to opine, comments are due to the Senate Chair by October 2.