

Committee on Rules and Elections (CRE)Box link (CRE AY 17-18)**Minutes of Meeting****October 11, 2017**

Pursuant to call, the Committee on Rules and Elections met at 11:00 AM on October 11th, 2017 in Room 232 of the Kolligian Library, Chair Lin Tian presiding.

Present: Chair Lin Tian and Haifeng Huang. Anna Song participated by phone. Peter Vanderschraaf, former CRE member, was present and participated as a consultant. Brittany Conn and Fatima Paul.

I. Chair's Report – Lin Tian

Chair Tian welcomed new members. She identified the work and focal areas of the Committee on Rules and Elections (CRE) for the upcoming year, and discussed the continued work for CRE with regard to the Reference Document on Voting Rights. This document provides recommendations on voting polices specific to UC Merced. CRE will discuss and establish next steps.

Regarding the Divisional Council (DivCo) meeting held on October 9, 2017, Chair Tian provided a status update of the 2020 Project as provided by Richard Cummings, Director of Strategic Communications.

II. Carry-over Business from AY 16-17**A. CRE Reference Document on Voting Rights**

The purpose of the CRE Reference Document on Voting Rights is to serve as a reference tool for the University of California Merced community with questions regarding voting rights. The Recommended Voting Policies in Academic Personnel Cases was submitted to DivCo during the Spring of 2017 for review. After receiving comments from DivCo, CRE will draft a response addressing those comments with the intention of resubmitting prior to the end of the Fall 2017 semester, if possible.

ACTION ITEM: Formulate and circulate a draft response to the CRE committee members.

B. Review of the proposed Honors Regulations Revisions

The CRE unanimously approved the proposed Honors Regulation Revisions (SR 640), specific to Part II. Section 4: the addition of Subsection D. Honors Programs.

ACTION ITEM: Draft approval memo for the proposed Honors Regulations Revisions and transmit approval to the Divisional Council.

III. New Business: Proposed Bylaw Changes to the Duties of the Undergraduate Council

The CRE unanimously approved the Proposed Bylaw Changes to the Duties of the Undergraduate Council.

ACTION ITEM: Draft approval memo for UGC's Bylaws changes and transmit approval to the Divisional Council.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:37 AM.