

**DIVISIONAL COUNCIL****Minutes of Meeting****August 28, 2017**

Pursuant to call, the Division Council met at 10:00 a.m. on August 28, 2017 in Room 232 of the Kolligian Library, Chair Susan Amussen presiding.

Present: Kurt Schnier, Wei-Chun Chin, Mike Dawson, Teamrat Ghezzehei, Tom Hansford, Ignacio López-Calvo, Shawn Newsam, David Noelle, Mukesh Singhal, Lin Tian, and Anne Zanzucchi. Sean Malloy participated by telephone.

**I. Welcome & Introductions**

Chair Amussen welcomed members to the 2017-18 year.

**II. Chair's Report & Announcements****A. Governance Retreat (8/13-14)**

Three initiatives were identified as priorities for this year: (1) academic planning, (2) school restructuring, (3) instructional budget and budget policy development. Three work groups are being established to lead these initiatives with the goal of having the Senate and administration collaborating throughout each process.

**B. Meeting with Chancellor and Provost (8/16)**

The outcomes of the retreat were discussed, including strategies to strengthen communication and collaboration between the administration and the Senate. The Chair and Vice Chair are now meeting weekly with the Provost.

**C. Chancellor's Cabinet (8/23)**

The campus budget was shared, and outstanding budget needs were reviewed. A key goal is to balance the budget and establish a reserve.

**D. Meeting with Provost (8/28)**

The Chair, Vice Chair and Provost discussed charges for the three work groups addressing the priority initiatives for this year.

**E. Academic Governance Council Meetings**

This is a new group established as an outcome of the Governance Retreat to facilitate shared governance. Members are those who participated in the Governance Retreat. The group will meet monthly. Chairs are encouraged to send a Vice Chair when there are scheduling conflicts.

**III. Consent Calendar**

Agenda approved as presented.

**IV. DivCo Priorities for Campus Planning Initiatives**

Members discussed priorities for this year's three major initiatives: academic planning, school reorganization, and development of budget policies and practices. With respect to academic planning, the UGC Chair highlighted the importance of attending to educational quality, including how enrollment growth and related planning are managed to ensure quality. A member noted that all three initiatives, as well as the campus's concurrent space planning, are strongly inter-related, and that it will be important to coordinate or otherwise more broadly consider the trade-offs that are proposed at the level of each individual initiative. The Chair noted that the intention is to have the three groups in communication. The UGC Chair echoed the importance of an integrative approach across planning groups to ensure that faculties do not have to make undesirable decisions to address issues of quality after planning has been completed.

With respect to school restructuring, members noted it will be important to ensure that sufficient administrative support is provided to department chairs, and that staff are appropriately physically located to facilitate their work. Questions to be resolved include what the staff do, what the dean's office does, and what the faculty do.

The budget group will be focusing on instructional budgets and carry forward and indirect cost returns policies. Going forward, DivCo will be provided with opportunities to provide input to these groups. Members are encouraged to send additional thoughts to the Chair and Vice Chair.

## V. Campus Review Items

### A. [Open Access 2020 Expression of Interest](#)

Members unanimously endorsed the campus signing the Open Access 2020 Expression of Interest (EOI). During discussion members acknowledged the concerns raised by the Committee on Research and Graduate Council, and noted that signing the EOI communicates the desire to discuss and address these issues. Concerns included the potential impact of a pay-to-publish model on the quality of the scholarly literature, the possibility that shifting publication costs to scholars from publishers could disenfranchise scholars from under-resourced institutions and/or countries, and the potential for professional societies to be harmed by the loss of publication revenue. Graduate Council also encouraged a thorough financial cost-benefit analysis to understand the actual impact on publication costs for the UC system.

**ACTION:** The Chair will transmit Divisional Council's endorsement to the Provost.

## VI. Reserve CAP

Members endorsed inviting standing committees to review and comment on the revisions CRE proposed to CAP bylaw establishing the reserve CAP as a standing committee of CAP. Concerns were raised that it may be difficult to identify six, full professors to serve on the reserve CAP.

**ACTION:** The Chair will invite standing committees to review and comment on the proposed bylaw in light of the proposal for a reserve CAP approved by DivCo at its February 16, 2017 meeting.

## VII. PROC Membership

Members endorsed transmitting to PROC recommendations, made by the Work Group on PROC Membership, for revising the Senate appointment structure to PROC. To balance the Senate and administration representation on PROC, members noted that the Senate Vice Chair could be a non-voting member of PROC. The Chair noted that alternatively committees could be asked to review the need for membership on PROC.

**ACTION:** The Chair will transmit the Work Group's recommendations to PROC.

## VIII. Committee Chairs' Reports

- [Undergraduate Council](#) (UGC) – Chair Anne Zanzucchi  
UGC's first meeting is August 28, 2017. Priorities for this fall include implementation of the new General Education program, strategic academic planning, and revisions to the policy for approving new programs.
- [Graduate Council](#) (GC) – Chair Teamrat Ghezzehei  
The first meeting will be on September 7, 2017. The agenda is full and will include the development of committee goals for the year.
- [Faculty Welfare and Academic Freedom](#) (FWAF) – Chair Sean Malloy

The first meeting is September 13, 2017. This year the committee will develop a statement addressing free speech in the academy, analyze and distribute the results of last year's childcare needs survey, work with Associate Chancellor Putney to establish the Police Advisory Board, and advise on issues related to support for faculty mental health.

- [Diversity and Equity](#) (D&E) – Chair Wei-Chun Chin  
D&E is identifying the Faculty Equity Advisor for SSHA so that SSHA searches can move forward.
- [Rules and Elections](#) (CRE) – Chair Lin Tian  
CRE's first meeting will be September 21, 2017. CRE will complete its voting guidelines this year.
- [Committee on Research](#) (CoR)– Chair David Noelle  
CoR's first meeting is September 20, 2017. CoR will be managing the Senate grants program, attending to changes in staff support for external mural funding, reviewing proposals for ORUs, completing the SNRI review, and reviewing and, as needed, revising the policy for establishing ORU's, Centers, and like entities.
- [Committees](#) (CoC) – Chair Tom Hansford  
CoC held its first meeting on August 21, 2017. The committee is making progress on fully staffing Senate committees.
- [Academic Personnel](#) (CAP) – Chair Ignacio López-Calvo  
CAP's first meeting is September 8, 2017. The committee anticipates reviewing 125 cases this year. Four of seven members are from the Division. The Vice Provost of the Faculty has informed the Schools that, as approved last year, CAP will no longer routinely review short form advancements.
- [Academic Planning & Resource Allocation](#) (CAPRA) – Chair Mukesh Singhal  
First meeting is September 7, 2017. CAPRA is reviewing a draft of the space survey to be sent to faculty in September.

#### IX. Informational Items

- June 6, 2017 - [The results](#) of the Academic Senate's review of the Draft Presidential Policy on Export Controls were transmitted to the Vice Provost for Academic Personnel.
- July 18, 2017 - [Academic Council's support](#) for proposed changes to the Retirement Savings Plan funds menu were transmitted to the UC Chief Investment Officer.
- July 18, 2017 - [The Academic Council's endorsement](#) of UCAF's statement expressing concern about the Anti-Semitism Awareness Act was transmitted to President Napolitano, together with a request to share UCAF's statement with the UC Office of the Federal Governmental Relations for their use.
- July 27, 2017 - [Academic Council's endorsement](#) of the report from BOARS on the "Compare Favorably" policy for the admission of nonresident undergraduates was transmitted to President Napolitano.
- July 27, 2017 - [Academic Council's approval](#) of a new MPH at UC San Diego was transmitted to Provost Dorr.
- August 3, 2017 – [The results](#) of the Academic Senate's review of the revised Presidential Policy on Electronic Information Security were transmitted to the Vice Provost for Academic Personnel. The Senate does not support the current version of the policy. [CoR's comments](#) on this policy were transmitted on behalf of the Division to Chair Chalfant on July 14, 2017.

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Attest: Susan Amussen, Chair