

DIVISIONAL COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting
February 6, 2018

Pursuant to call, the Divisional Council met at 10:30 a.m. on February 6, 2018 in Room 232 of the Kolligian Library, Chair Susan Amussen presiding.

Present: Kurt Schnier, Mike Dawson, Teamrat Ghezzehei, Tom Hansford, Ignacio López-Calvo, Patti LiWang, Shawn Newsam, David Noelle, Mukesh Singhal, Lin Tian, and Anne Zanzucchi. Nigel Hatton represented D&E. Nate Monroe and Catherine Keske joined the meeting for agenda item VI.

I. Chair's Report & Announcements

A. Meeting with Chancellor (2/1)

The Senate Chair, Vice Chair and Chancellor discussed next steps for addressing the Provost's decision to return to the faculty, effective June 1, 2018. The Chancellor plans to consult broadly with faculty, including the school executive committees.

B. Senate/UCOP Leadership Budget Call (1/26)

Members discussed the turbulent budget presentation at the January Regents meeting and the resulting lack of clarity on the University's budget for the coming year, including a process for resolving the concerns. The University does not anticipate having a Regents-approved budget until May; it is usually approved in November.

C. Academic Planning Council (1/29)

Academic Council discussed the Huron report, which was commissioned by President Napolitano to address the legislature's concerns about the size and contributions of the Office of the President (OP) to the University function. The report recognized OP as top in its class in terms of its contributions to system function, and makes recommendations for reorganizing the Office of the President, including to shift some functions currently managed by OP to campuses.

D. Academic Council (1/31)

Topics of discussion included the Huron report, the January Regents meetings and the need to improve understanding in Sacramento about the UC's contributions to the State, the Senate's response to the audit, and restoring faculty salaries to market levels while addressing faculty salary scales.

II. Consent Calendar

The agenda was approved as presented.

III. System Review Items

A. Proposed Presidential Policy on Open Access for Theses and Dissertations

Following an overview of proposed *Presidential Policy on Open Access for Theses and Dissertations* by Graduate Council Chair Ghezzehei, members discussed disciplinary differences in publication practices and the related implications for open access policy. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved to emphasize, in the Division's response, that policy must adequately address both the time it takes to translate a dissertation to a book in some fields and the possibility that copyright infringements could become an issue once a book is published. Potential remedies include revising the embargo period outlined in the policy to provide the option to extend the embargo indefinitely should copyright infringement concerns arise after publication. Members noted that it might be useful to look to practices in Europe where book publication is more common and to consult with the library.

Action Requested: The Chair will circulate a draft response for members' consideration before transmittal to the Senate Chair by March 14, 2018.

B. Proposed Revised APM Sections: 285, 210-3, 133, 740, 135 and 235

Following consideration of committee comments, a motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to endorse the proposed revisions to APM Sections 285, 210-3, 133, 740, 135, and 235, while highlighting CoR's continuing question regarding expectations for teaching at the graduate level and UGC's concerns about leaving the adoption of the working title to individual units. The Senate Chair noted the importance of making the decision to adopt the title at the campus level.

Action: The Chair will circulate a draft response to membership before transmittal to the Senate Chair by February 21, 2018.

IV. GE Program Implementation

At-large member Dawson summarized the logistical and prioritization concerns, and related recommendations, raised in the February 1, 2018 memo from the Chair of the Natural Sciences Executive Committee regarding the implementation of the new GE program, particularly the Spark seminars. Subsequent discussion considered the NSEC's recommendations to pilot the Sparks, concerns about the impact of Spark instruction on graduate instruction and research, and the recommendation that resolution may be aided by a review of data articulating the workload problem. Ultimately, a motion was made, seconded and unanimously endorsed to recommend to the NSEC Chair that the NSEC meet with the chairs of UGC, GESC, and the GC to clarify the issues underpinning the concerns raised in the memo and identify a way forward within the framework of an approved program that is being advertised to students.

Action: The Chair will draft a memo for members review prior to transmittal.

V. Committee Chairs' Reports

Action: The Executive Director will circulate written chair reports by email, due to time constraints.

VI. Accreditation Preparation

WSCUC Steering Committee Chair Nate Monroe and Accreditation Liaison Officer Laura Martin provided Senate leadership of an overview of what to anticipate during their meeting with the WSCUC accreditation team on February 27. Members reviewed preparation materials provide in advance, and considered the kinds of questions to anticipate.

VII. Informational Items

- 1/24/2018 – UC Board of Regents approves the Master of Management PDST.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50.

Attest: Susan Amussen, Senate Chair