

## DIVISIONAL COUNCIL

## Agenda

Friday, April 16, 2021

10:00-11:30am

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- I. Consultation with EVC/Provost Camfield {10:00-10:10am}**
- II. Chair's Report – Robin DeLugan {10:10-10:15am}**
- A. Chancellor & EVC Provost Meeting (March 29)
  - B. Academic Council (March 31)
  - C. C19 EOC/Cabinet Meeting (Apr. 1, 8, 15)
  - D. Native American Cultural Affiliation and Repatriation Interim Policy<sup>1</sup>
- III. Consent Calendar {10:15-10:20am}**
- A. Approval of today's agenda
  - B. Approval of the March 29 Meeting Minutes
- IV. EVC/Provost's Response to the February 9 DivCo Memo re: Funding for Proposals – Vice Chair Westerling {10:20-10:30am}**
- Requested Action:** Members discuss and agree on next steps.
- V. Review of the Proposal in Critical Race and Ethnic Studies – UGC Chair Hibbing {10:30-10:40am}**
- The proposal for a Minor in Critical Race and Ethnic Studies, effective Fall 2021, was approved by UGC on March 15, 2021. Comments from CAPRA, CoR, D&E, GC, LASC, and the EVC/Provost are appended to UGC's memo.
- Requested Action:** Endorse and transmit the proposal to the administration for its consideration.
- VI. CAP Memo Re: Senate Service – CAP Chair Martini {10:40-10:50am}**
- Requested Action:** Discuss memo for action in the Fall.

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that this item is listed on this agenda under section IX.B.

**VII. Draft Diversity Provision for the Bylaw Revisions - Vice Chair Westerling {10:50-11:05am}**

This item was discussed at the March 12 DivCo meeting. An excerpt from the March 12 discussion about this item is available **here**.

Draft preamble/statement proposed by the DivCo anti-racism workgroup, and revised by D&E, is available here:

- Redlined copy
- Clean copy

Vice Chair Westerling’s alternate proposal for new addition to the Bylaws is available **here**. The proposal was shared with CRE for review and comments. CRE preferred option 2 (highlighted in the document). Language from the proposed preamble would still be used on the Senate website.

**Requested Actions:** Members discuss and endorse Vice Chair’s proposal for consideration at the May 4 Meeting of the Division.

**VIII. Request from AFAC: UC Debt Free Pilot Proposal – AFAC Chair Ghassemi {11:05-11:10am}**

**Requested Action: Endorse AFAC’s request to send its memo to the Board of Regents.**

**IX. Systemwide Review Items {11:05-11:20am}****A. Revisions to SVSH Framework for Faculty and Staff – Chair DeLugan**

These revisions from the Systemwide Title IX Office are the next steps in efforts to comply with federal regulatory changes that went into effect on August 14, 2020.

Revisions consist of additional changes to interim policies issued last summer. There has been accompanying Senate work to address regulatory impacts on procedures for Senate faculty. That work includes both the recent change in the evidentiary standard to be used in P&T hearings for alleged violations of the SVSH Policy as well as a forthcoming proposal to preclude unnecessary duplication when hearings are conducted at both the Title IX and P&T phases.

- Letter from Systemwide Title IX Office
- Investigation and Adjudication for Senate and Non-Senate Faculty
- Investigation and Adjudication for Staff

Comments:

*No comments received.*

**Requested Action:** Members discuss and transmit comments to Academic Council Chair Gauvain by April 26, 2021.

*The following items will be handled via email. Members are encouraged to review items B, C, and D and associated comments, and share thoughts via email.*

**Requested Actions for items B, C, and D:** Members send their comments to [senatechair@ucmerced.edu](mailto:senatechair@ucmerced.edu) by April 30, 2021. Comments will be collated and circulated for review before transmittal to Academic Council Chair Gauvain.

**B. Proposed Policy on Native American Cultural Affiliation and Repatriation**

The Academic Senate opined on two earlier versions of this policy on November 8, 2019 and June 29, 2020.

- Chair Gauvain’s letter
- Policy (redline copy)
- Policy (clean copy)

Comments:

- CoR
- D&E
- FWAFF
- LASC
- SOE EC

**C. Presidential Policy of Classification of Gifts and Sponsored Awards**

This policy will replace the UC Policy on Review of Gifts and Grants for Research.

- Letter from VP of Research and Innovation
- Proposed Policy

Comments:

- CoR
- CAPRA
- GC

**D. Systemwide Senate Regulation 610**

The intent of these amendments is to eliminate an ambiguity in the definition of “residency” and clarify that “residency” is not necessarily linked to physical presence on campus.

- Proposed Amendments

Comments

- GC
- UGC
- CRE

**X. Other Business {11:20-11:30am}**