



**SPRING MEETING OF THE MERCED DIVISION OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE
THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2022
2:00 P.M.– 3:30 P.M.
REVISED AGENDA**

ADMIN 306

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

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| I. | CHAIR’S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS – <i>Division Chair LeRoy Westerling</i> | 10 MIN |
| II. | CONSENT CALENDAR ¹ | 5 MIN |
| | A. Approval of the Agenda | |
| | B. Approval of the December 9, 2021 Meeting Minutes | |
| III. | CAMPUS UPDATE – <i>Chancellor Muñoz & EVC/Provost Camfield</i> | 15 MIN |
| IV. | DIVISIONAL SENATE BYLAWS AND REGULATIONS | 10 MIN |
| | <i>CRE Chair, Secretary/Parliamentarian Christopher Viney</i> | |
| | A. Proposed Amendments to Divisional Senate Bylaw Part II, Title II, Section 3.B.2.B. Student Selection, Appointment, and Participation. | |

Background for the proposed amendments is provided in the [correspondence from the Committee on Rules and Elections and the Graduate Council](#). Proposed Bylaw amendments are described on page 2 of hyperlinked memos and provided [here](#) in MSWord format. The Undergraduate Council reviewed this proposal and there were no concerns with the new Bylaw language.

Action Requested: The Merced Division votes to endorse the proposed amendments to Senate Bylaw Part II, Title II, Section 3.B.2.B. Student Selection, Appointment, and Participation.

- B. Proposed Amendments to Divisional Senate Regulation Part II. Section 4 – Undergraduate Honors

Background for the proposed amendments is provided in the correspondence from the [Committee on Rules and Elections](#) to the Undergraduate Council. Proposed Regulation amendments are described on page 3 of the

¹ Agenda items deemed non-controversial by the Chair and the Vice Chair of the Division, in consultation with the Divisional Council, may be placed on a Consent Calendar under Special Orders. Should the meeting not attain a quorum, the Consent Calendar would be taken as approved. (Quorum = the lesser of 40% or 50 members of the Division.) At the request of any Divisional member, any Consent Calendar item is extracted for consideration under “New Business” later in the agenda. Christopher Viney, Secretary/Parliamentarian.

hyperlinked memo and provided [here](#) in MSWord format. Divisional Council held a special meeting on May 10, 2022 to discuss the Honors Program proposal. Members unanimously agreed that the Division be invited to vote on the proposed amendments to the Regulation on May 12, 2022.

Action Requested: The Merced Division votes to endorse the proposed amendments to Senate Regulation Part II, Section 4. Undergraduate Honors.

If approved by the Division, these amendments to the Bylaws and Regulations will be effective June 12, 2022.

V. CAMPUS WIDE HONORS PROGRAM – UGC Chair Moyes 10 MIN

The proposal was approved by the Honors Program Working Group on April 8, 2022 and by the Undergraduate Council on April 15. It was distributed for review by the Senate and the Administration on April 15. Comments are due May 9, 2022.

- [Proposal](#)
- [Comments/questions from School Executive Committees, the SSHA Curriculum Committee, School Deans, Department Chairs and UGC’s responses](#)
- [CRE’s approval of the proposed amendments to Section 4 of the UCM Senate Regulations – Undergraduate Honors](#)

Chair Moyes will summarize the proposal’s main components and provide a description of next steps.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENT: AY 22-23 SENATE LEADERSHIP - CoC Chair Hagger 5 MIN

VII. STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS REPORTS 5 MIN

A summary of Senate Committees’ Spring 2022 business is available [here](#).

AY 21-22 Senate leadership:

- [Admissions and Financial Aid Committee](#), Chair Abbas Ghassemi
- [Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation](#), Chair Kevin Mitchell
- [Committee on Academic Personnel](#), Chair Balasubramaniam
- [Reserve Committee on Academic Personnel](#), Chair Martha Conklin
- [Committee on Committees](#), Chair Martin Hagger
- [Committee on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion](#), Chair Jesus Sandoval-Hernandez
- [Committee on Faculty Welfare and Academic Freedom](#), Chair David Jennings
- [Committee on Research](#), Chair Jay Sexton
- [Committee on Rules and Elections](#), Chair Christopher Viney
- [Graduate Council](#), Chair Erin Hestir
- [Library and Scholarly Communication Committee](#), Chair Maria DePrano
- [Undergraduate Council](#), Chair Holley Moyes
- [Committee on Privilege and Tenure](#), Chair Lin Tian

VIII. QUESTION AND ANSWER WITH SENATE LEADERSHIP 5 MIN

IX. SENATE AWARDS – Chair Westerling 15 MIN

- [Dr. Fred Spiess Award for Distinguished Service to the Academic Senate](#)
- [Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award for Senate Faculty](#)
- [Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award for Non-Senate Faculty](#)
- [Distinguished Graduate Teaching/Mentorship Award](#)
- [Distinguished Early Career Research Award](#)
- [Distinction in Research Award](#)

- [Distinguished Scholarly Public Service Award](#)
- [Excellence in Faculty Mentorship Award](#)
- [Senate Award for Contributions to Diversity](#)
- Senate Award for Contributions to Shared Governance (New)

X. PETITION OF STUDENTS [NONE]

5 MIN

XI. NEW BUSINESS

5 MIN

Glossary of [UC Merced](#) and [Systemwide](#) Academic Senate Committee Acronyms

AFAC – Admissions and Financial Aid Committee
CAP - Committee on Academic Personnel
CAPRA - Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation
CoC - Committee on Committees
COR - Committee on Research
CRE - Committee on Rules and Elections
DivCo - Divisional Council
EDI - Equity, Diversity and Inclusion
FWAF - Faculty Welfare and Academic Freedom
GC - Graduate Council
LASC - Library and Scholarly Communication
P&T - Privilege and Tenure
RCAP – Reserve Committee on Academic Personnel
UGC - Undergraduate Council

BOARS - Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools
CCGA - Coordinating Committee on Graduate Affairs
COUNCIL - Academic Council
UCAF - University Committee on Academic Freedom
UCAP - University Committee on Academic Personnel
UCAADE - University Committee on Affirmative Action, Diversity, and Equity
UCACC - University Committee on Academic Computing and Communications
UCEP - University Committee on Educational Policy
UCOC - University Committee on Committees
UCFW - University Committee on Faculty Welfare
UCIE - University Committee on International Education
UCOLASC - University Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication
UCPB - University Committee on Planning and Budget
UCOPE - University Committee on Preparatory Education
UCORP - University Committee on Research Policy
UCPT - University Committee on Privilege and Tenure
UCRJ - University Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction