

**Admissions and Financial Aid Committee (AFAC)****Agenda****Friday, December 9, 2022****9:00am – 10:15am****Zoom Information:**<https://ucmerced.zoom.us/j/89268355138>

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- I. Consent Calendar – Chair Eaton - 9:00am – 9:05am**
  - A. The Agenda
  - B. [November 18 meeting minutes](#)
  
- II. Chair’s Report – Chair Eaton – 9:05am – 9:15am**
  - A. December 6 Divisional Council Meeting
  - B. December 1 meeting with VPDUE Frey and Financial Aid and Admissions Leadership to discuss the effects of the strike on students’ financial aid.
  - C. December 2 BOARS Meeting
  
- III. Update on Students’ Institutional Debt – 9:15am – 9:45am**

On April 15, 2022, AFAC transmitted a [memo](#) to the Senate Chair with a request that Divisional Council endorse recommendations to UC Merced Leadership for reducing adverse student impacts and administrative burdens associated with the new Academic Activity Policy. Financial Aid Director Radney provided a response to AFAC’s April 15 memo, available [here](#).

On October 28, 2022, Chair Eaton and member Spencer provided an update on students’ institutional debt, and today they will further discuss the issue. AFAC members consulted with UC Irvine Professor of Law Dalié Jimenez and tasked Chair Eaton and member Spencer with drafting a memo regarding updated AFAC recommendations, available [here](#).

**Requested Action:** Members to review Chair Eaton’s and member Spencer’s draft memo and recommend additional comments, if any. Members are to vote on the memo. Upon approval, AFAC analyst will transmit the endorsed memo to DivCo.
  
- IV. Strike Update and Discussion of Member Concerns – 9:45am – 10:05am**

Updates on the strike and guidance to faculty are available on the Senate website, [here](#).

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**Requested Action:** Today, Chair Eaton will provide additional updates on the strike and discuss members' concerns.

**V. Debrief on November 29 Meeting with Director Noji and Associate Director Lubers – 10:05am – 10:10am**

Director of Admissions Noji, Associate Director of Admissions Lubers, Senate Executive Director Paul, and AFAC Analyst Snyder met on November 29, 2022 to explore ways to streamline the review of A by E reports. The Office of Admissions provided a set schedule for the AFAC review of A by E reports, available [here](#).

Discussions also included the Office of Admission's plan to propose revisions to the A by E [review guidelines](#), as well as the possible establishment of an ad-hoc AFAC (sub) committee that would be exclusively tasked with the review of A by E reports.

**No Action Required.**

**VI. Any Other Business – 10:10am – 10:15am**

**VII. Informational Items** will be regularly uploaded on the “Informational Items” AFAC Box Folder [here](#).