

Admissions Subcommittee Meeting**AGENDA**

**Thursday, October 13, 2016
10:00-11:30am**

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| I. Chair’s Report – Christopher Viney | 15 min |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Welcome and IntroductionsB. Overview of Admissions and Financial Aid Subcommittee Duties (AFAS)C. October 7 BOARS MeetingD. October 10 UGC Meeting | |
| II. AFAS Goals for AY 16-17 – All | 10 min |
| III. Discussion Items – All | 30 min |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Use of Letters of Recommendation in Freshman Admission
Background: In July, BOARS recommended to UC Berkeley that it continue its letters of recommendation pilot project in its current form for a second year, while continuing to limit the group of applicants from whom letters are solicited and considered to those ranked as ‘Possible’ admits. However, the Academic Council passed a motion at its July meeting opposing the continuation of the pilot project. In August, Berkeley responded that it will continue the pilot in its current form for a second year as it studies the effect of the letters on admissions outcomes and diversity. Meanwhile, President Napolitano has asked the Senate to develop a systemwide policy on the use of letters of recommendation in freshman admission for approval by the Regents.B. Criteria for Assessing Adherence to the Compare Favorably Standard | |
| IV. Report from Encarnacion “Chon” Ruiz, Director of Admissions | 30 min |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Undergraduate Admissions Fall 2016 Annual ReportB. Transfer Selection Policy and Addendum (draft)C. Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) Memo and Policy (draft)
Action Requested: Review and Endorse Proposed Changes to Policy | |
| V. Any Other Business | 10 min |