

DIVISION COUNCIL

December 1, 2016

12:00– 1:30 PM

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Item

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| I. | Chair’s Report and Announcements—<i>Chair Amussen</i> | 10 Min |
| | A. Meeting of the Division (11/28) | |
| | B. Sanctuary Campus | |
| | C. Academic Council (11/30) | |
| II. | Consent Calendar | 5 Min |
| | A. Approval of the Agenda | |
| III. | Chair Report: Committee on Library and Scholarly Communications (LASC) and UCOLASC –
<i>LASC Chair & UCOLASC Representative Karl Ryavec</i> | 10 Min |
| IV. | Committee Chairs’ Reports | 25 Min |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic Planning & Resource Allocation (CAPRA) – Chair Mukesh Singhal • Academic Personnel (CAP) – Chair Ignacio López-Calvo • Committees (CoC) – Chair Rick Dale • Committee on Research (CoR)– Member Ramendra Saha • Rules and Elections (CRE) – Chair Lin Tian • Diversity and Equity (D&E) – Chair Tanya Golash-Boza • Faculty Welfare and Academic Freedom (FWAF) – Chair Jayson Beaster-Jones • Graduate Council (GC) – Chair Ramesh Balasubramaniam • Undergraduate Council (UGC) – Chair Anne Zanzucchi | |
| V. | School Executive Committee Input to Senate Planning Functions – <i>Chair Amussen</i> | 10 Min |

DivCo is asked to discuss comments from UGC, GC and CAPRA and identify next steps regarding the need for and/or benefits of input by School Executive Committees on each committee’s resourcing and planning-related duties and responsibilities. Committee thoughts were [solicited](#) following the October 6 DivCo meeting.

Committee Comments:

- [CAPRA](#) stated its intention to invite Executive Committee chairs to CAPRA this spring to initiate dialogue on this topic, noting there are several areas where CAPRA and School Executive Committees could engage in productive conversation.
- [UGC](#) affirmed the important role of School Executive Committees in planning, particularly for program proposals, and encouraged Executive Committee chairs to feel welcome to meet with the UGC Chair and Vice Chair at any point. UGC also noted that a Curriculum Committee in SNS would provide a particularly strong interface with UGC and the Dean’s Office in support of academic planning.
- [GC](#) would like to see wider consultation with the School Executive Committee regarding decisions made by the Dean with respect to graduate student funding, Teaching Assistant policies, USAP allocations and graduate scholarships awarded by the Schools.

Action Requested: 1) Discuss committee comments. 2) Determine next steps.

VI. Proposal for Endowed Chair: UC Merced Foundation Board of Trustees Presidential Chair – Vice Chair Schnier 10 Min

DivCo is asked to discuss and approve a proposal to establish the *UC Merced Foundation Board of Trustees Presidential Chair*. As described in [the Item for Action¹ and gift agreement](#), the chair holder will be appointed in a field of research at the discretion of the UC Merced Chancellor and supported by a \$1,000,000.00 fund.

Action Requested: 1) Discuss proposal. 2) Vote to approve the proposal.

VII. Principles for Start-up and Incidental Funds – FWAF Chair Beaster-Jones 10 min

DivCo is asked to discuss and identify next steps for [FWAF's proposed two principles](#) to guide policy formulation and decision-making regarding access to, and provisioning and management of, start-up and incidental funds. FWAF's proposal follows DivCo's input to FWAF's September 26, 2016 memos on faculty [incidental funds](#) and [start-up funds](#).

Action Requested: 1) Discuss memo. 2) Determine next steps.

VIII. Campus Review Items 10 min

A. MAPP 6001 - Endowed Chairs

DivCo is asked to discuss and endorse proposed revisions to section 6001 of the MAPP, [Policy for the Establishment and Administration of Endowed Chairs](#), addressing the selection and reappointment of endowed chairs. This version incorporates recommendations made by D & E during its October 18, 2016 meeting, and follows the [September 27, 2016 request](#) from DivCo to the Provost to enact revisions to MAPP 6001 approved by DivCo during the AY 2015-16.

Action Requested: 1) Discuss committee comments. 2) Endorse proposed revisions.

Comments received:

- [CAPRA](#) disagreed with the suggestion that a Faculty Equity Advisor (FEA) serve as a member of the review committee for the appointment of endowed chairs. CAPRA believes instead that the FEA should serve in an advisory role, similar to the FEAs' current functions in normal faculty search committees.
- [CAP](#) agreed with the basic components of the endowed chairs proposal, however, a few committee members were not in favor of awarding such chairs to Assistant Professors. CAP also encouraged UCM to continue to exercise flexibility in the allocation of chairships for the purposes of faculty recruitment and retention.
- [FWAF](#) endorsed the proposed revisions to the MAPP pertaining to the selection and reappointment/review of endowed chairs
- [D&E](#) participated in the draft's development and had no additional comments.

The following committees appreciated the opportunity to opine, but declined to comment: GC, CRE, CoR, UGC, D&E

¹ UCOP's required format for review and approval by the President