

VI. Reports of Special Committees (none)

VII. Reports of Standing Committees

A. Academic Council

Chand Viswanathan, Chair

- Report on new degree titles approved by the Academic Council (information)

Senate Bylaw 125.B.6 specifies that “The Coordinating Committee on Graduate Affairs shall submit to the Academic Council for final action on behalf of the Assembly proposals for the establishment of new graduate degrees submitted in accordance with Bylaw 180.B.5 when such proposals cannot be included in the agenda of a regular Assembly meeting to be held within sixty calendar days after Committee action.”

“New graduate degrees” means degrees whose titles are new to a given campus. The Academic Council approved two such degrees in July and one in August. Degrees approved in July were the DPTSc at UC San Francisco for a joint doctoral program in Physical Therapy Sciences between UCSF and California State University San Francisco; and the M.Ed. at UC San Diego for Program in Teacher Education. The degree approved in August was the M.Ed. at UC Riverside for a Master’s of Education Program. Because the Council was acting on behalf of the Assembly, it is reporting its actions to the Assembly now.

B. Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools (BOARS)

Dorothy Perry, Chair

- **Approval of Comprehensive Admissions Policy (action)**

The Assembly is being asked to approve BOARS’ recommendation to institute a system of comprehensive review of applicants for undergraduate admission.

Justification from BOARS Chair Perry:

BOARS is submitting to the Assembly today a proposal to adopt a system of comprehensive review of applicants for undergraduate admission. This system is intended to replace UC’s current system of tiered admissions review. This latter system is a requirement of the 1995 Regental Policy SP-1, under which campuses are required to admit 50 to 75 percent of their freshman classes solely on the basis of academic criteria, including high school grades and test scores. This proportion of each admitted class constitutes one tier in the current admissions system. The other tier is composed of students admitted on the basis of both academic and supplemental criteria. BOARS is proposing to have all students