

## ACADEMIC COUNCIL

**Minutes of Teleconference Meeting  
June 24, 2015****I. Consent Calendar**

1. Approve today's agenda items and their priority
2. Approve draft Council minutes of May 27, 2015

**ACTION: Council approved the consent calendar.**

**II. Announcements**

- o **Mary Gilly, Academic Council Chair**
- o **Dan Hare, Academic Council Vice Chair**

APM 210-1-d: The Provost is preparing to approve the issuance of the proposed revisions to APM 210-1-d as [endorsed](#) by the Academic Council in May.

Sexual Harassment and Violence Policy: President Napolitano will issue an interim revised Presidential Policy on Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence to meet the July 1 deadline for a policy that meets the requirements of the federal Violence Against Women Act. Meanwhile, UCOP will continue to work on a new revision that accommodates concerns expressed by the [Senate](#) and others during the systemwide review. UCOP has enlisted several faculty and administrators, including the former Senate Executive Director, to review the new draft.

Budget Update/Enrollment Funding: An enrollment funding plan approved by the state Assembly would provide UC with \$25 million in additional funding for the enrollment of 5,000 new undergraduate California residents over the next two years. The bill also asks UC to use Nonresident Supplemental Tuition revenue to cover the balance of the \$50 million cost to enroll 5,000 students. The bill does not provide funding for additional graduate student enrollment.

Intersegmental Transfer Meeting: UC Senate and administrative leaders met with CSU and CCC colleagues yesterday to discuss the new UC Transfer Pathways for ten majors. A [website](#) detailing the Pathways will go live on July 1, and President Napolitano is planning a joint press conference with intersegmental higher education leaders on July 7. Participants at the meeting agreed on the need to engage Community College counselors and to coordinate intersegmental communication about the differences and similarities between the UC Pathways and the CSU Transfer Model Curricula.

Senate Review of Budget Agreement's Programmatic Elements: The budget agreement between UC and Governor Brown asks UC to make progress on several programmatic initiatives. These include developing three-year degree specifications for 10 of the top 15 majors on each campus; reviewing curricular requirements for 75% of majors and reducing, when possible, the number of required upper division courses to 45; revisiting current policies for awarding UC credit for AP exams and other placement tests; and using the Course Identification Numbering System as a supplemental numbering system for UC courses. Most decisions will be made on a campus-by-campus basis, but Chair Gilly has asked BOARS and UCEP to coordinate campus reporting and

to lead efforts that require systemwide involvement. The Senate office will also ask division chairs to identify appropriate review bodies and key experts on each campus.

### **III. Final Review - Proposed Revisions to APM 133-17-g-j**

Senate Divisions and Committees have sent comments in response to the [Final Review of proposed revisions to APM 133-17-g-j](#), which expands the permitted reasons for stopping the eight-year service limitation “tenure clock” to other personal circumstances that may impede a faculty member’s duties or timely research progress.

**Action: A motion was made and seconded to endorse the revisions. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **IV. Revised Systemwide Committee Guidelines**

The Senate office has drafted a revision to the Systemwide Guidelines for Academic Senate Committees intended to streamline and update the Guidelines.

**Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve the revised Guidelines. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **V. ACSCANR Annual Report and Letter**

#### **o Dan Hare, ACSCANR Chair**

The Academic Council Special Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources (ACSCANR) has submitted its 2014-15 annual report to the Academic Council. Council formed ACSCANR in 2011 to enhance shared governance and enable the formal involvement of the Senate in decision-making around the Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR). ACSCANR’s membership includes the Senate chairs or vice chairs of the three campuses with an Agricultural Experiment Station and representatives from CCGA, UCORP, and UCPB.

ACSCANR has recently become concerned about a proposal to change the source of ANR’s funding from the campus “Funding Streams” assessment to an “off-the-top” budget item. It has drafted a letter to President Napolitano and Executive Vice President Brostrom noting that the committee expects to participate in the work of a Task Force being appointed to examine this proposal and the future financial and business structure of ANR. The committee has asked Council to forward the letter to the President and EVC.

**Action: A motion was made and seconded to forward the letter to the senior leadership. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **VI. Consultation with Senior Managers**

- o Aimée Dorr, Provost and Executive Vice President**
- o Nelson Peacock, Senior Vice President for Government Relations**

Senior Vice President Peacock: After Governor Brown denied UC’s request for \$100 million to fund 10,000 new student enrollments over the next four years, the state Assembly approved a

plan to give UC \$25 million for 5,000 new undergraduate resident enrollments over the next two years. The plan asks UC to use Nonresident Supplemental Tuition (NRST) to cover the full \$10,000 marginal cost funding needed to educate each new student. UCOP continues to negotiate with the state and is working on a plan to increase the support of key legislators. Unfortunately, not all legislators appreciate UC's research and graduate education role. Senior Vice President Peacock noted that in his view, it will help UC politically over the long-term to accept the money and accommodate the Assembly's request.

**Discussion:** Some Council members encouraged UCOP to reject the enrollment funding plan, noting that it is illogical for the state to incentivize nonresident enrollment while it is criticizing UC for enrolling too many nonresidents. The plan fails to acknowledge UC's role as a research university and its need to grow its graduate student population. It also digs UC into a deeper budgetary hole by ignoring the thousands of unfunded undergraduates already enrolled on UC campuses. UC should restart enrollment funding negotiations from a position of support for the full UC mission and recognition of the key role graduate education plays in UC undergraduate education and the state's economy. Funding decisions should be based on UC's budgetary and academics needs, not public relations and politics. It was agreed that Council should revisit the enrollment funding issue at the July 29 meeting. In the meantime, division chairs volunteered to discuss the issue with chancellors, if possible, to determine their views.

**Provost Dorr:** Senior UC leaders are meeting to organize a plan for implementing the commitments made by the University as part of the budget framework agreement. There is a particular emphasis on implementing the recommendations for increasing three-year degree pathways for 10 of the top 15 majors on each campus and for reviewing curricular requirements for 75% of majors and reducing the number of upper division courses required for graduation. Both efforts are complicated, have clear expectations and deadlines, and will require engagement from both faculty and administrators.

In addition, to meet the expectations in the budget agreement for enhancing the use of technology and data, it is expected that UC Riverside, along with Merced and Davis, will pilot "activity-based costing" to enhance understanding of instructional costs and that Santa Cruz, Santa Barbara and Davis will pilot "adaptive learning technology" to help students master challenging coursework. Irvine, Santa Barbara and one other campus will also pilot alternative pricing models for summer session as a way to potentially improve time-to-degree.

Finally, the President will be assembling an advisory group to develop recommendations and advise her on the details of a new pension tier for employees hired after July 1, 2016. It is expected that 2-4 Senate members will serve on the advisory group.

**Discussion:** Council members noted that the programmatic initiatives may be good for the university, but they are also unfunded mandates. It would be helpful to review a cost estimate for each.

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Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm

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Attest: Mary Gilly, Academic Council Chair