

**Minutes of Meeting**

Wednesday, May 3, 2017

Item	
<b>I.</b>	<b>Consent Calendar</b> A. Approval of the Agenda and Approval of the Minutes of March and April 27. <u><b>Action Taken:</b></u> <i>The agenda and minutes were approved as noticed.</i>
<b>II.</b>	<b>Chair's Report - Chair Kwai Ng</b> This month, the governor will send in his revised budget and then UC will know if it will get some of its budget requests.  The Provost has offered more details about the PDST plan. As of now, there are 68 PDST programs systemwide that will be sent into the Regents in the years ahead.
<b>III.</b>	<b>Vice Chair's Report – Vice Chair Karen Duderstadt</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CoGD: The meeting was cancelled; there is no report.</li> </ul>
<b>IV.</b>	<b>Announcements from Academic Affairs</b> <i>Todd Greenspan, Academic Planning Director</i> <i>Pamela Jennings, Graduate Studies Director</i> <i>Chris Procello, Academic Planning and Research Analyst</i>  The Graduate Wellbeing Study will be presented to the Regents' Committee on Academic and Student Affairs at their May meeting. The Regents have asked for more engagement and dialog from the campuses and students. Another topic that will be brought before the Regents is graduate diversity. The Regents are not particularly impressed with the University in this arena, and pointed questions are expected. The department wants to paint the picture of how graduate diversity is part of its overall accountability.  Grad Research day went really well. The third annual Grad Slam will be held tomorrow at LinkedIn in San Francisco. This is a systemwide competition between graduate students. Participants will be judged on how well they engage the audience, how clearly they communicate key concepts and how effectively they focus and present their idea in three minutes. For the first time, viewers at home will have the ability to vote online for their favorite contestant with a \$1000 "People's Choice" award going to the winner.  Eighty-three SSGPDPs are currently being offered by the system; 93 programs have been approved, 10 programs are either inactive or have been discontinued. Overall, the SSGPDP platform has been successful as a model. Chair Ng said that it would be good to have information regarding individual program status after three years of operation. He suggested that the committee write a letter asking for information regarding the financial sustainability of the SSGPSPs.

## V. Consultation with Academic Senate Leadership

*Jim Chalfant, Academic Senate Chair*

*Shane White, Academic Council Vice Chair*

The state's report on the audit of UCOP has done considerable damage. There has been a suggestion to put the Legislature in charge of the UCOP budget through direct appropriation, but that will not be accepted by the Regents. The Regents will hire a third party to conduct a fact-finding investigation of the audit results. Compounding the bad publicity surrounding the audit were news reports that UC campuses had changed responses to the auditor's survey based on feedback from OP. UC has to do a lot to meet the recommendations of the auditors

Last year UC proposed that it receive \$6M for 600 graduate students; the governor vetoed it. This year, the University is asking for \$9M for 900 graduate students, but there is talk that the legislature will want all of these students to be from California, which is not realistic or in the best interests of the University.

## VI. Program Proposals

- A. Proposal to establish a graduate program for the MFA degree in Social Documentation on the Santa Cruz campus – *Lead Reviewer Ana Peluffo*

**Action Taken:** *This proposal was approved prior to the meeting via email.*

- B. Proposal for a Program of Professional Graduate Studies with PDST for a Master of Management offered by a new Graduate Group in Management of Innovation, Sustainability, and Technology on the Merced Campus – *Lead Reviewer Dick Arneson*

Five reviews are in; the letters seem consistent. The proposal should be ready for a vote in June.

- C. Proposal for a 4+1 BA/MA in European Thought and Culture on the Irvine campus – *Lead Reviewer Dar Roberts*

Three-quarters of the reviews have been received and they are generally positive. There are questions about the stand-alone masters, the 3.0 entrance criteria, and about the lack of a language requirement.

- D. Proposal for a JDP with SDSU in Computational Science on the Irvine campus – *Lead Reviewer Mike Coffey*

Four reviewers have responded (three from UC and one non-UC). The Lead Reviewer is awaiting a review from a leading authority at Stanford.

- E. Proposal for an MS in Geotechnical Engineering on the San Diego campus – *Lead Reviewer Susan Charles*

Four individuals have agreed to review the proposal, and one has already responded with positive comments.

- F. Proposal for a Master of Public Health (MPH) on the San Diego campus [SSGPDP] – *Lead Reviewer Daniel Neumark*

One review is in, and two more are promised soon.

- G. Proposal for a Master of Real Estate Development and Design (MRED+D) on the Berkeley campus [SSGPDP] – *Lead Reviewer Onyebuchi Arah*  
With some difficulty, the Lead Reviewer secured three external and three internal reviewers. Reviews are expected in by late May and early June. The Lead Reviewer shared concerns about the less-than-robust campus faculty voting support for the proposal. The Committee decided to request substantiating evidence of support from the campus.
- H. Proposal for a Master of Professional Accountancy at the Rady School of Management [SSGPDP] – *Lead Reviewer Ramesh Balasubramaniam*  
Six reviewers have been secured, and four of them have submitted reviews. Comments are largely favorable, and questions will be forwarded to the campus. The Lead Reviewer expects their feedback in time for the July meeting.
- I. Proposal for a Master of Molecular Science and Software Engineering (MSSE) at the Berkeley campus [SSGPDP] – *Lead Reviewer Adam Cunha*  
**Action Taken:** *Ana Peluffo was tentatively assigned as Lead Reviewer for this proposal following the online resignation of Professor Cunha.*
- J. Proposal for a Master of Information and Cyber Security (MICS) at the Berkeley campus [SSGPDP] – *Lead Reviewer Donald Smith*  
Two reviewers have been identified, with one additional semi-committed. More reviewers will be secured before June.
- K. Proposal for a Doctorate in Nursing Practice on the Irvine campus [SSGPDP]  
**Action Taken:** *Karen Duderstadt was assigned as temporary Lead Reviewer*

## **VII. Transfers, Consolidations, Disestablishments, and Discontinuances**

- A. Proposal to discontinue the Global Executive MBA for the Americas and MA in Theater on the Los Angeles campus.  
**Action Taken:** *The committee concurred with the campus decision; no further action is needed.*
- B. Proposal to discontinue the Master of Arts in Theater Program administered by the School of Theater, Film and Television on the Los Angeles campus  
**Action Taken:** *The committee concurred with the campus decision; no further action is needed.*

## **VIII. Items of Interest**

- A. LSOE/Teaching Professor Policy  
The use of LSOE (Lecturer with Security of Employment) varies in application from campus to campus and so the reaction to a possible change has been mixed. Some campuses do not use it much at all. Members noted that faculty in this role do a difficult job. They are carrying heavy service loads, and “lecturer” does not necessarily convey those efforts. Sabbaticals are being negotiated; currently these faculty are not eligible. It is not certain that the salary scale for LSOEs will be exactly the same as ladder rank faculty, but it will be similar in its structure (e.g., number of steps). There will be promotion and merit review and similar steps and the ability to go above scale.
- B. Mentorship Best Practices Draft  
Chair Ng circulated a draft copy of the document. Members will submit comments via email.