I. Chair’s Announcements – Denise Segura

In February, Council voted to approve a set of recommendations and principles on the Regents’ proposed system for slotting of senior management salaries. Council also sent out for systemwide review a set of proposed principles on private fundraising for senior manager’s salaries at the level of dean and above. The Academic Senate is developing a systemwide mail ballot vote on a proposed Memorial to the Regents urging the elimination of non-resident tuition for academic graduate students after their first year. The ballot will be mailed to all Senate faculty at the end of March, and the Academic Assembly will act on the results in May. The Assembly has scheduled an emergency meeting on March 13 to consider the removal of the Academic Senate Chair. The Assembly will also act on Council’s nomination of BOARS Chair Michael Brown (UCSB) to serve as 2006-07 Academic Senate Vice Chair. Academic Council is holding its bi-annual meeting with the Council of Chancellors on April 5 to discuss mutual interest of importance facing the university. Topics will include: UC Budget Policy and Student Fees; Systemwide Academic Planning and Administrative Reorganization; Faculty Diversity; and UC Faculty Salary Scales.

UCEP’s April 3 meeting has been cancelled.

II. Consent Calendar

**Action**: UCEP approved the minutes of February 6, 2006.

III. Independent Course Responsibilities for Graduate Student Instructors

Members discussed the draft UCEP report to Council outlining new recommendations for the role of graduate student instruction on the campuses. CCGA has also been studying this issue.

**Action**: The memo will be re-crafted and submitted to Council in time for consideration at the March 22 meeting. Chair Segura will also forward the memo to CCGA Chair Lindsay.

IV. Undergraduate Education Task Force Recommendation and Memo

Members reviewed and discussed revisions to UCEP's draft recommendation regarding the formation and charge of a systemwide Undergraduate Education Task Force. UCEP was asked to advise Academic Planning Council about whether it would be useful to constitute a task force to conduct a broad review of undergraduate education at the University. UCEP would like AC to endorse the principles on April 5 so that Chair Segura can present the memo to the Academic Planning Council on April 11. Among the comments was a recommendation that language be added about the opportunities and challenges presented by Innovations in technological change such as online and distance learning, and related activities such as ‘podcasting’.

**Action**: UCEP will re-craft the draft statement to incorporate the ideas from the discussion and submit it in time for Academic Council’s April 5 meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.

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