Gina,

Some time ago, you inquired of CERJ as to whether the University Librarian of the Davis Campus should be listed in DDB 83 as an ex officio member. CERJ advises that the Librarian is in fact an ex officio member, and a conforming Bylaws change will be made to that effect.

Your inquiry sparked a mere general investigation of the status of the Librarian and two other Senate members, the Registrar and the Admissions Officer, with respect to DDB 28(C), which states,

"No member of the Division holding an administrative title of Chancellor, Vice Chancellor, Provost, Vice Provost, Dean, Associate Dean or titles with equivalent levels of administrative responsibility may serve as a member of a divisional committee or as a representative of the Davis Division to any taskforce, committee, or agency (except in a non-voting, ex officio capacity.) These restrictions do not apply to chairs of academic departments or programs."

The question was whether the three campus officers mentioned hold titles "with equivalent levels of administrative responsibility" as chancellors, provosts and deans. It is not clear to CERJ that they do, and inquiries to the relevant committees turned up no sentiment to exclude these officers from voting. CERJ believes that if the Division wishes to make the exclusion, it should do so by listing their titles explicitly in DDB 28(C).

On a related matter, as announced in an earlier Representative Assembly meeting, CERJ will be making conforming changes to the Bylaws to make explicit which ex officio members of committees are non-voting. These are conforming changes because they bring the descriptions of committee membership into conformity with DDB 28(C).

Additional conforming changes will cover situations in which directors of programs who are ex officio may or may not be Senate members.

Following the example of Bylaws such as 48(C), it will be specified that they are members of the committee if members of the Senate and representatives if not. These changes are conforming due to DDB 29(A), which states, "Regular standing committees shall consist of members of the Academic Senate or of such members in combination with student representatives and/or other non-Senate representatives."

I have attached a document laying out all the changes CERJ intends to make.

G. J.