MEETING SUMMARY
REGULAR MEETING OF THE REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
OF THE DAVIS DIVISION OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

Tuesday, February 28, 2012
2:10 – 4:00 p.m.
Memorial Union, MU II

1. Meeting Summary of the October 25, 2011 Meeting

   Motion to accept the transcript of 10-25-2011 was made and
   seconded and unanimously accepted.

2. Announcements by the President - None
3. Announcements by the Vice Presidents - None
4. Announcements by the Chancellor - None
5. Announcements by the Deans, Directors or other Executive Officers
6. Special Orders

   a. Remarks by Academic Senate Chair Linda Bisson

   Chair Bisson announced that there will be a special RA
   meeting tentatively scheduled for March 16 or 19, when the
   Chancellor is expected to deliver the State of the Campus
   address; if those dates don’t work, the meeting will be held in
   April.

   Chair Bisson announced that over the last several months she
   met with graduate and undergraduate students to discuss
   student tuition and the university budget. Discussions
   revolved around the following issues:

   • Documenting individual stories of hardship
   • Major issues in society invited speaker program
   • Holding “teach outs” and developing white papers
   • Addressing the financial meltdown (GSM)
   • Fixing the government
   • Funding options (the Provost is forming a group to study
     strategies for covering student tuition, developing other
     sources of University funding etc.)
   • Teaching about the budget - Planning & Budget.

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- UCD Foundation Matching Campaign to raise funds for students
- Systemwide Billion Dollar Campaign to provide student tuition relief
- Community T-Shirt Day in May to wear the T-shirts and to show solidarity with the students on May 17

In addition, Chair Bisson talked about the following issues and concerns:

Budget Issues/New Budget Model
The Senate has been asked to comment and advise on the new budget model which will impose greater transparency but only to the level of the Deans. The Senate wants the transparency to extend to the departments. Toward that end Senate Chair Bisson and Vice Chair Nachtergaele have scheduled a series of town hall meetings for Department Chairs in order to develop a questionnaire to be sent to all Department/Program Chairs to provide information on resources currently available to the Department as well as to ask other questions that arise as important from the discussions with the chairs. The mailing of the questionnaire will be early in spring quarter with a due date approximately four weeks later. The information will be provided to CPB but Chair Bisson will also write a summary to be presented to the Representative Assembly and the Senate. It is hoped this will set an important base line for future assessment of the new budget model.

Athletics Report
This is in progress and will be out for comment soon.

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Online Education
This is under discussion.

b. Remarks by Graduate Student Association Police Committee – Jordan Carroll
PhD student of English Jordan Carroll read aloud the mission statement of the GSA Police Committee. Purpose of the committee is to do an overall Police Department investigation about the Nov. 18 incident. It will study the role and scope of the police in relation to other departments, changes that might improve policing on campus, and make recommendations to the Academic Senate, Chancellor and President of the University. The committee is keenly interested in meeting with faculty for discussion and input. It is particularly looking for faculty with experience about police matters.

7. Reports of Standing Committees
a. Committee on Committees (Mitch Sutter)
i. Confirmation of Academic Senate Chair Elect for 2012-2014
   Professor BRUNO NACHTERGALE is the new Academic Senate Chair Elect. Motion to approve was made and seconded.
   ACTION: Motion passed unanimously.

b. Faculty Research Lecture (To be honored on May 2, 2012)
i. Confirmation of 2011-2012 Faculty Research Lecture Award Recipient
   MICHAEL TURRELLI (Evolution & Ecology)
   Motion to confirm was made and seconded.
   ACTION: Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

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c. Public Service (To be honored on May 2, 2012)
   i. Confirmation of 2011-2012 Distinguished Scholarly Public Service Award Recipients
      ELIZABETH APPLEGATE (Nutrition)
      MARK MANNIS (Ophthalmology & Vision Science)
      JOHN LARGIER (Bodega Marine Laboratory)
      ROBERT WASHINO (Entomology)

      Motion to confirm was made and seconded.
      ACTION: Motion passed by unanimous vote.

      The proposed changes to the Regulations and Bylaws were discussed, but no action on them was taken. These items will be tabled for a future Rep. Assembly meeting.

d. CERJ Bylaw Changes (G. J. Mattey)
   i. DDR 534: Course Evaluations
   ii. DDB 56: Committee on Courses of Instruction
   iii. DDB 147: Faculty of the School of Veterinary Medicine

8. Petitions of Students
9. Unfinished Business
10. University and Faculty Welfare
11. New Business
12. Informational Item
   a. *2010-2011 Preparatory Education Subcommittee Annual Report

Meeting adjourned.

Ines Hernandez-Avila, Secretary
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