

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

Thursday, November 6, 2014

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1. June 3, 2014 Meeting Summary 3
Motion to approve, approved.
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 – None
6. Special Orders
 - a. Remarks by the Divisional Chair – André Knoesen
 - This morning we were notified that the University of California Board of Regents will consider on Nov. 19 a new five-year plan for tuition that will allow students and families to budget for the total cost of their UC education.
 - The new long-term stability plan for tuition and financial aid proposes that tuition will not increase more than 5 percent annually for five years. On this topic, at this stage all we know is what UCOP has released this morning and what has been reported in the newspapers. I was just informed that there will be an information session for students at the ARC Center Ball Room tomorrow at noon.

Announcement of upcoming events:

- **Davis Division of the Academic Senate, Departmental Chairs Luncheon**, November 12, 2014, 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM. Transparency in the budget process, Centralized Staffing, Undergraduate Advising.
- On November 20th there are two events organized by the UC Davis Committee on Faculty Welfare and the Provost.
- There is workshop for faculty **Creating a Culture of Excellence and Trust Worthiness in Higher Education** hosted by UC Davis Committee on Faculty Welfare. It will be held on the Sacramento Campus in the morning, 8 a.m. - noon, MIND Institute auditorium.
- Also On November 20th in the afternoon on the Davis campus, there will be a Provost Forum. **“Keeping Track of One’s Moral Compass Despite Pressures to Lose It: How a Public University Can Maintain Its Integrity,”** Haavi Morriem, professor of human values and ethics, University of Tennessee. 3-4:30 p.m. Student Community Center. Other guest faculty in these events will be
 - Gail Geller, Johns Hopkins University,
 - Elizabeth Popp Berman, University at Albany, SUNY

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Turning next to ongoing events within the Academic Senate.

- The activities of the **Committee on Research** in the coming year will have an important impact on the research infrastructure of the campus in support of research. **Committee on Research** is engaged with several reviews including a subcommittee reviewing animal facilities.
- The charge of the subcommittee reviewing animal facilities is to develop policies and pay structures regarding rodent housing-related issues on the campus.
- Just this morning, I have received a document setting out the guiding principles to develop fair and effective animal use and care program to all investigators at UCD. Additional reports will be forthcoming later from this group.
- COR is also reviewing proposal for centralization of core research facilities; the report and COR comments have been distributed for comment by the Academic Senate Committees and FECs. COR has also become involved chemical and laboratory safety; and several task forces and initiatives related to compliance.

Classroom space short and long term became an urgent issue as Freeborn Hall was taken off line and more students are enrolled. The issues are being addressed by campus administrators. Committee on Planning and Budget and its Instructional Space Advisory Group are working to engage in a healthy consultation concerning this important issue immediately and on a sustained basis.

Step Plus Implementation is in progress.

- The Step Plus Implementation Task Force, consisting of Academic Senate members, is providing advice to the Vice Provost.
- CAP is engaged in dossier review and implementation strategy.
- The Representative Assembly has requested that an evaluation will be done of the Step Plus in three years.
- The Executive Council is preparing criteria for evaluating the success of the Step Plus System, and it is in final draft form.

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Individual Student Success is always an Academic Senate priority.

- We remain focused on undergraduate advising.
- We are also reviewing a proposal to enhance the first year experience.
- We are working with the Chancellor and Provost to ensure faculty hires increase to support increased enrollment.
- There is a report out for review related to Doctoral Student support.

Faculty Success is a perennial priority as well.

- The Committee on Faculty Welfare is engaged at the UC level with the Faculty Total Remuneration Study and locally with development of a process to routinely evaluate faculty salary equity and faculty salary parity with UC campuses.
- Yesterday we received a joint Senate/Administration Task Force report detailing the Davis process for routine evaluation of faculty salary equity. The Task Force report will be distributed to Academic Senate committees for feedback before it is submitted for review and submission by the Chancellor/Provost to the UC President's Office. The report is based on a detailed analysis, and it will be important to take a close look at the findings and recommendations of the report.

Committee on Information Technology is working with the new Vice-Chancellor Viji Murali on various matters related to the information technology. This includes engaging in discussion on changes to the course management system.

Last year far reaching changes in the health care plans available to UC faculty and staff were made. In particular, UC Care was added as health care option. Recently, changes to the medical plans were announced for the next enrollment period. I have asked Lori Lubin, Chair of Faculty Welfare, to report in general on the changes in the medical plans.

b. Remarks by ASUCD Representative - Miriam Dombrowski (Director of ASUCD Legislative Affairs)

- **ASUCD is looking for ways to invest back into their programs**
- **Appropriate compensation for student employees**
- **ASUCD has created a liaison between students and Intercollegiate Athletics (ICA)**

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- **ASUCD has started working with Police Chief Carmichael to not target undocumented students.**
 - c. Remarks by GSA Chair – Erica Vonasek
- **Community – GSA plans an internal graduate student symposium annually. It is a 2-3 day event and faculty play a very large part in the event to act as judges. Chair Vonasek encouraged faculty to participate.**
- **Student advocacy – A priority is the student family housing (Orchard and Solano parks). The AAU Development Committee has been tasked with looking at the issues, including equitable funding for housing on campus.**
- **Professional development – GSA is working on expanding more professional development opportunities for graduate students.**

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	a. Faculty Welfare – Lori Lubin (item reordered and moved up after ASUCD and GSA remarks)	
All healthcare plans are still available with slight enhancements. There are moderate increases in premiums and some minor changes. The Legal plan now includes an identity theft plan. The waiting period for the supplemental disability plan can be changed during open enrollment. There is a change in how rollovers are handled in the Flexible Savings Account. There is no intention to add Sutter Healthcare back to the list of HMOs. The medical center at Covell center in Davis is expanding with more specialists from UCDMC available at that location. Generally, systemwide is happy with the healthcare satisfaction survey results.		
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Meeting adjourned 2:32 pm.

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