

**Divisional Council, Berkeley Division of the Academic Senate  
Annual Report 2007-2008**

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***Chair's Summary***

The 2007-2008 Academic Year presented many challenges for the Divisional Council and the Academic Senate leadership. The Divisional Council was busy all year, reviewing programs and evaluating proposed policy changes.

Having been allowed to serve a second term as Senate Chair, I was able to make use of my experience and stay ahead of the DIVCO workload and even to find some time to think of possible ways to improve the way things are done at Berkeley.

Innovation under the prevailing budget constraints was not easy. Nevertheless, I was able to negotiate successfully a disaster service agreement between UCB's ROTC units and the campus administration. At no additional cost to anybody, this agreement provides additional manpower in emergency relief in the case of a natural disaster. Approximately 100 ROTC cadets would make themselves available to undertake certain roles in disaster relief and recovery, under the supervision of the competent campus authorities.

Another effort that I undertook was to meet on numerous occasions with the Bowles Hall Alumni Association. The Bowlesmen want to reinstitute the traditional residential college concept in a new and revitalized Bowles Hall, presently an underutilized landmark on the campus. These meetings produced no breakthroughs, but in coming months such discussions might yet produce a beneficial result. Much depends on how effectively the Bowlesmen can be in raising the money to outfit their dream.

My most hopeful initiative was sponsoring a DeCal course "Governance at Cal." The idea was to upgrade the student participation in Senate business. Students serve on several Senate committees, but attendance and engagement have been problematic. My idea was to offer academic units for a DeCal class, which ASUC appointees would attend. The class was successful in that the enrollment was considerable and participation was enthusiastic, thanks to two excellent undergraduate coordinators — Neda Jafarzadeh and Kushal Kadakia.

The disappointment was that the ASUC appointees to the Senate committees never enrolled in this DeCal course! Other students, not the ones assigned to serve on Academic Senate committees, did enroll in the course. However, a DeCal model might be a helpful one to nurture and develop, because student participation continues to be a chronic problem.

Another idea that I had was to create an online forum under Senate auspices for wide-ranging discussions about Berkeley's academic life. However, the idea proved to be premature. It will have to await a major upgrading of the central campus computer capabilities.

My own interest in faculty diversity led me to attend many meetings of the Black Faculty Assn. during the last academic year. The meetings were conducted on a regular basis at Stiles Hall. The chief achievement was the establishment of an open dialog with Chicano and Native American faculty. Along these same lines, I served on the steering committee of the Berkeley Diversity Research Initiative, which required considerable nurturing after a slow and often conflicted beginning.

Vice Chair Mary Firestone and I served on advisory committees to screen candidates for top management jobs in the UC administration. Vice Chair Firestone served on the committee to select a

vice chancellor for student affairs. I did the same in screening candidates for the job of vice chancellor for university relations.

In addition to its official actions, DIVCO took a number of steps in an advisory capacity:

- Met with the vice chancellor for research and the assistant vice chancellor for intellectual property and industry research alliances. (11/5/07)
- Made recommendations on a proposal to remove the requirement to solicit external letters for Step VI advancement. (8/27/07)
- Advised Victoria Harrison, associate vice chancellor and chief of police, on campus safety issues. (11/5/07)
- Made recommendations on equity and inclusion to the vice chancellor for equity and inclusion. (1/28/08)
- Advised the Berkeley representative to the search committee for the new UC president. (9/24/07)
- Advised the vice provost for academic planning and facilities regarding strategic planning for campus space utilization. (4/28/08)

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***List of Activities***

The following summarizes Divisional Council and Division activities and actions for 2007-2008, including the date(s) of the events or meetings at which the item was acted upon. Please refer to the Divisional Council approved minutes and communications for details.

**Academic Programs**

- Forwarded comments on the review of the School of Journalism to the vice provost for academic planning and facilities. (9/24/07)
- Forwarded comments on the review of the School of Information to the vice provost for academic planning and facilities. (10/8/07)
- Forwarded comments on the review of the Department of Philosophy to the vice provost for academic planning and facilities. (10/22/07)
- Forwarded comments on the review of the Department of History of Art to the vice provost for academic planning and facilities, and the vice provost for academic affairs and faculty welfare (11/5/07)
- Forwarded comments on the review of the Department of Mathematics to the vice provost for academic planning and facilities. (11/19/07)
- Forwarded comments on the review of the Department of Geography to the vice provost for academic planning and facilities. (12/3/07)
- Endorsed a proposal for the establishment of a self-supporting master of professional accounting program in the Haas School of Business, and forwarded comments to the vice provost for academic affairs and faculty welfare. (3/10/08)
- Forwarded comments on the review of the Department of Bioengineering to the vice provost for academic planning and facilities. (3/31/08)
- Forwarded comments on the review of the California Institute for Quantitative Biosciences (QB3) to the vice chancellor for research. (3/31/08)
- Forwarded comments on the review of the Department of Psychology to the vice provost for academic planning and facilities. (4/14/08)
- Endorsed the discontinuance of the M.A. programs in Latin and Greek to the vice provost for academic affairs and faculty welfare. (5/12/08)
- Endorsed a proposed name change for the Mass Communications A.B. to the vice provost for academic affairs and faculty welfare. (5/12/08)
- Forwarded comments on the review of the Athletic Study Center to the vice provost for undergraduate education. (5/12/08)

**Policies**

- Forwarded comments on proposed amendments to Senate Regulation 636 regarding the College Writing Program, to Academic Council. (10/8/07)
- Forwarded comments regarding a proposed policy on accessibility in the electronic environment to the UC Information Technology Leadership Council (10/22/07)
- Approved a Senate oversight committee exit report on the Energy Biosciences Institute and forwarded the report to the Chancellor and the executive vice chancellor and provost. (11/19/07)  
Charged the Committee on Committees to create a Senate work group to draft guidelines for future UC-industry contracts. (11/19/07)
- Endorsed, with reservations, the proposed guidelines for vendor relations, and forwarded comments to Academic Council. (11/19/07)
- Forwarded comments on a proposal to reform UC's freshmen eligibility policy to Academic Council. (11/19/07)
- Forwarded comments on proposed amendments to APMS 710, 711, and 080, to Academic Council. (12/3/07)

- Forwarded comments on proposed regulations governing the conduct of non-affiliates on UC property. (12/3/07)
- Forwarded comments on the role of graduate students in University instruction, and proposed modifications to Senate Regulation 750.B and APM 410, to Academic Council. (12/3/07)
- Endorsed a proposal to repeal Academic Senate Regulation 458, regarding undergraduate admission requirements for graduates of secondary schools outside of California, and forwarded comments to Academic Council. (12/3/07)
- Declined to endorse the report of the UC Joint Ad Hoc Committee on International Education, and forwarded comments to Academic Council. (2/11/08)
- Endorsed a revised proposal for a joint task force on teaching evaluation. (2/11/08)
- Forwarded comments on the CCGA/UCEP/ITTP dialectic paper on remote/online instruction to Academic Council, and approved the formation of a task force on this topic. (2/25/08)
- Forwarded comments on the UC Regents' Study Group on University Diversity report to the Academic Council. (3/10/08)
- Forwarded comments on a proposed amendment to Senate Bylaw 140, governing the University Committee on Affirmative Action and Diversity (UCAAD), to Academic Council. (4/28/08)
- Forwarded comments on the BOARS revised proposal to reform UC's freshman eligibility policy, to Academic Council. (4/28/08)

#### **Informal Comment to the Systemwide Academic Senate**

- On the Outside Professional Activities Policy. (10/24/07)
- On the UC Policy Board's draft expenditures report. (11/13/07)
- Management consultation on the SMG appointments and Classifications Policy-confidential. (11/27/07)

#### **Legislation**

##### Enacted Legislation

- Approved a new Berkeley Division Bylaw 9 (Division elections) for placement on the Consent Calendar at the fall 2007 division meeting. (9/24/07)
- Approved amendments to Berkeley Division Bylaws 4 (Divisional Council), 17 (Committee on Committees), 25 (Rules and Elections); and 161 (electronic or mail balloting) for placement on the Consent Calendar at the fall 2007 division meeting. (9/24/07)
- Approved amendments to Berkeley Division Bylaws 5.B (Special Meetings) and 15 (Assembly Representation) for placement on the Consent Calendar at the spring 2008 division meeting. (1/28/08)
- Approved amendments to Berkeley Division Bylaw 30.A (Membership of the Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation) for placement on the Consent Calendar at the spring 2008 division meeting. (2/25/08)

##### Proposed Legislation

- Approved proposed amendments to Berkeley Division Regulation A952 (School of Public Health) for placement on the Consent Calendar at the fall 2008 division meeting. (5/12/08)
- Approved proposed amendments to Berkeley Division Regulations 350, 352, and 353 (Haas School of Business) for placement on the Consent Calendar at the fall 2008 division meeting. (5/12/08)
- Approved proposed amendments to Berkeley Division Bylaw 17.B (Committee on Committees) for placement on the Consent Calendar at the fall 2008 division meeting. (5/12/08)

##### Unfinished Business

None

### **Faculty/University Welfare**

- Approved the recommendations of the Committee on Budget and Interdepartmental Relations (BIR) regarding a proposed transitional leave policy for the senior management group, and forwarded comments to Academic Council. (3/10/08)
- Made recommendations to the Chancellor on a possible delay in the faculty salary increase plan. (3/31/08)
- Forwarded comments in support of state legislation, related to the production and pricing of college textbooks, to the executive vice chancellor and provost. (5/12/08)
- Forwarded comments, without endorsement, to the vice provost for academic planning and facilities on the review and revision of the summer sessions regularization plan. (5/12/08)

### **Budget and Planning**

- Commented on a draft campus "statement of our commitment to the environment." (8/27/07)
- Held a special Divisional Council meeting with UC President Dynes. (10/4/07)
- Endorsed recommendations of the Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation (CAPRA) regarding a draft Berkeley campus policy and procedures on miscellaneous student fees, and forwarded comments to the vice chancellor for administration. (2/11/08)
- Forwarded comments on the Information Technology Guidance Committee's report to the Academic Council. (4/28/08)
- Approved and forwarded CAPRA's 2007-2008 budget recommendations to the Chancellor and to the executive vice chancellor and provost. (5/12/08)

### **Awards and Honors**

- Approved two recipients of the 2008 Berkeley Faculty Service Award. (2/25/08)
- Approved the recipients of the Distinguished Teaching Award and the Educational Initiatives Award. (3/10/08)
- Approved the recipient of the Leon Henkin Citation for Distinguished Service. (4/14/08)
- Approved two Faculty Research Lecturers. (4/28/08)
- Approved the recipient of the 2008 Clark Kerr Award. (5/12/08)

### **Senate Management**

- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding with the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research regarding faculty searches for the Energy Biosciences Institute. (9/24/07)
- Conducted a Senate leadership orientation. (9/11/07)
- Confirmed appointments to standing committees of the Academic Senate. (10/8/07, 10/22/07, 11/5/07, 11/19/07, 12/3/07, 2/11/08, 2/25/08, 3/10/08, 3/31/08, 4/14/08, 4/28/08, 5/12/08)
- Approved a 2007-08 conflict of interest document for Divisional Council. (10/22/07)
- Held two Division meetings; quorum is 50 Senate members. (11/8/07: 51 Senate members. 4/24/08: quorum was not attained with 45 Senate members).
- Approved and forwarded the DIVCO annual report for 2006-2007 to the systemwide Academic Senate. (11/19/07)
- Successfully conducted the first electronic election for the division. (3/31/08)

### **Senate Events**

- Sponsored a town hall meeting in conjunction with the campus visit of UC President Robert Dynes. (10/4/07)
- Sponsored an end of year reception for Divisional Council and Senate leadership. (5/14/08)

### **Cosponsored Events**

- Cosponsored the New Faculty Orientation with the Office of the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs and Faculty Welfare. (8/22/07)