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**Committee on Student Diversity and Academic Development
(Formerly Committee on Special Scholarships)
Berkeley Division, Academic Senate
Annual Report
2004-05**

I. ISSUES AND ACTIONS

- **Name Change:** The Committee voted to change its name from the Committee on Special Scholarships to the Committee on Student Diversity and Academic Development (SDAD). The by-laws also change to reflect the actual focus of the Committee. The Berkeley Division accepted the changes on April 25, 2005.
- **Survey:** The survey on faculty outreach activities was placed on the Academic Senate website. An email message was sent out on behalf of Chair Kane and Senate Chair Robert Knapp to all Senate members requesting their participation.
- **PDP Research:** The Research Subcommittee presented an Evaluation of the Professional Development Program of UC Berkeley, which analyzes the effectiveness of PDP and the Student Learning Center (SLC) based on grades in math courses. The data show that PDP significantly raises grades for the particular math course; the SLC shows a smaller increase.
- **Budget Committee:** Members met with Budget and Interdepartmental Relations Committee (BIR) Chair Janet Broughton to discuss raising the profile of faculty involved in academic development issues. A letter was drafted to Vice Provost for Academic Affairs and Faculty Welfare Jan De Vries and the Academic Personnel Office on how best to put together cases to highlight outreach involvement.
- **Service-Learning:** Professor Fred Collignon, Chair of the Faculty Policy Committee on Service-Learning, spoke to the Committee.

II. REVIEW OF ACADEMIC SENATE POLICIES AND ISSUES

- Promoting Academic Achievement and Opportunity: Final Report of the Chancellor's Task Force on Outreach Activities – Comments submitted to Senate Chair Knapp on November 3, 2004
- Report of the Committee to Review PDP and Director's Response to the Report of the Committee to Review PDP – Comments submitted to Senate Chair Knapp on April 17, 2005

- UCAAD Addendum to the Report of the Task Force on Graduate and Professional School Admissions – Comments submitted to Senate Chair Knapp on April 17, 2005

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND FUTURE ACTION ITEMS

- Development of criteria for the Henkin Award, followed by nominee selection.
- Continuing coordination with the Committee on Admissions, Enrollment, and Preparatory Education (AEPE) and the Committee on Student Affairs (STA) on academic development issues.
- Investigation into writing development programs already in existence.
- Follow-up on Budget Committee letter.
- Follow the developments of the Berkeley Diversity Research Initiative Working Group.
- Meet with Marsha Jaeger, Director of the Center for Educational Outreach.