

APPROVED MINUTES
BERKELEY DIVISIONAL COUNCIL
Monday, October 5, 2020 – 12:10-2:00 PM
Zoom video conference

Divisional Council (DIVCO) met on Monday, October 5, 2020 by *Zoom* videoconference. Division Chair Jennifer Johnson-Hanks presided. A quorum was present as shown on the attached attendance chart.

- I. MINUTES** of the Meeting of September 14, 2020
Revisions were suggested for the minutes.

ACTION: The minutes were approved with changes.

- II. CONSENT CALENDAR**
A. Committee on Committees nominations

B. Proposals for Graduate Certificates (Option 2)

ACTION: The consent calendar was approved as presented.

- III. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chair Johnson-Hanks shared topics that were discussed at the latest Academic Council Meeting:

- The UC Regents are considering different actions in regards to the budget. No decisions or announcements have been made at this time.
- As UC Berkeley is no longer requiring undergraduate applicants to take the SAT/ACT, UC is in talks of the feasibility of creating its own standardized test.
- UC President Drake talked about his commitment to access and affordability.
- Additional changes to the Title IX adjudication process for faculty need to be made due to the additional changes to the Federal Title IX regulations.

The first two weeks of Spring 2021 instruction will be remote. After that, UC Berkeley is hoping for in-person instruction of 21 students or fewer. UC Berkeley is not requiring that in-person classes also be available remotely.

This week, the Senate is sending a request to Berkeley Public Health to do very small outdoor pilot instruction this Fall for classes where in-person contact is sometimes necessary.

A proposal was received about changing the dates of the Spring 2021 semester. Chair Johnson-Hanks clarified that this is not DIVCO's decision, but discussion was open among DIVCO members.

- IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
None

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion/Action: American Cultures Task Force Review

Chair Johnson-Hanks provided background information regarding the history of the American Cultures requirement and what the task force proposal entails. The American Cultures requirement was approved in 1989 and has not been reviewed since.

Discussion followed regarding the need for review, and feelings varied among DIVCO members as to whether a task force was the proper way to review the American Cultures requirement.

No action was taken at this time. Chair Johnson-Hanks will confer with several DIVCO members and revisit at a later date.

B. Discussion/Action: Proposal to establish a Committee on Charges

Chair Johnson-Hanks provided an explanation of the proposal, which is that the Senate would appoint a standing committee to investigate disciplinary charges for any potential violation of faculty code of conduct.

Discussion followed and some DIVCO members expressed concern about the number committees already in the Senate, and questioned whether there already existing committees that could handle these types of actions.

ACTION: Chair Johnson-Hanks and Vice Chair Cohen will draft a charge for a special committee of DIVCO, which will be placed on the consent calendar for the October 19th, 2020 DIVCO meeting.

C. Discussion/Action: Proposal to eliminate Campus Ad Hoc Review Committees (CAHRCs)

Chair Johnson-Hanks explained that a CAHRC is an ad hoc committee of faculty, put together by the Committee on Budget and Interdepartmental Relations (BIR) and the Vice Provost for the Faculty. The proposal suggests that CAHRCs be eliminated, except in the most extreme cases. All three committees asked to comment disagreed with eliminating CAHRCs, but do support a reduction in their frequency.

ACTION: Chair Johnson-Hanks will send a memo to the Vice Provost for the Faculty endorsing the three committees' comments.

D. Discussion/Action: Request for clarification on College of Letters and Science (L&S) Curriculum Approvals

Chair Johnson-Hanks provided background information regarding schools and colleges' ability to govern themselves and make minor changes to curricular requirements.

Discussion followed regarding how to handle future cases in which a school or college wishes to revise a curriculum in a way that would be out of compliance with Senate

regulations. DIVCO members agreed to refer that question to Undergraduate Council (UGC) for consideration.

ACTION: Chair Johnson-Hanks will forward the Committee on Rules and Elections' (R&E's) comments to L&S with an attached cover letter.

VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. Forward*: Revisions to Senate Regulation 544

*Forwarded to the committees on Courses of Instruction; Graduate Council; Rules & Election; and Undergraduate Council. DIVCO discussion tentatively scheduled for November 2, 2020. ***

B. Forward*: Revisions to Senate Regulation 630

*Forwarded to the committees on Courses of Instruction; Rules & Election; and Undergraduate Council. DIVCO discussion tentatively scheduled for November 2, 2020. ***

C. Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation (CAPRA) 2019-20 Annual Report

D. Faculty Awards Committee (FAC) Report to the Division, April 30, 2020

E. Committee on Faculty Welfare (FWEL) 2019-20 Annual Report

F. Graduate Council (GC) 2019-20 Annual Report

G. Committee on Memorial Resolutions (CMR) 2019-20 Annual Report

H. Committee on Privilege and Tenure (P&T) 2019-20 Annual Report

I. Committee on Research (COR) 2019-20 Annual Report

J. Committee on Rules and Elections (R&E) 2019-20 Annual Report

K. Undergraduate Council (UGC) 2019-20 Annual Report

L. Chancellor's Response to CAPRA's 2020-21 Budget and Policy Recommendations

M. IT Roles and Responsibilities Policy Response

*** Original date has been changed to November 2, 2020.*

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00pm
Recorder: Haniya Ferrell, Administrative Assistant

**Approved Minutes
Meeting of Divisional Council
October 5, 2020**

| INVITED GUESTS * | 8/31/20 | 9/14/20 | 10/5/20 | 10/19/20 | 11/2/20 | 11/16/20 | 11/30/20 | 12/14/20 | 1/25/21 | 2/8/21 | 2/22/21 | 3/8/21 | 3/15/21 | 4/5/21 | 4/19/21 | 5/3/21 | 5/10/21 |
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| Bedolla, Lisa Garcia | | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jones, Abby | | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ogundele, Olufeme | | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SENATE STAFF | 8/31/20 | 9/14/20 | 10/5/20 | 10/19/20 | 11/2/20 | 11/16/20 | 11/30/20 | 12/14/20 | 1/25/21 | 2/8/21 | 2/22/21 | 3/8/21 | 3/15/21 | 4/5/21 | 4/19/21 | 5/3/21 | 5/10/21 |
| Banaria, Jocelyn Surla | P | P | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ferrell, Haniya | | P | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Quiggle, Sumei | | | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tuchrello, Sumali | | | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Corley, Linda | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Marias Dezendorf, Rachel | P | | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lynch, William | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MacIntyre, Courtney | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mitchell, Lanayah | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

P=Present A=Absent * Non-voting