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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BERKELEY DIVISION OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE
WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2019

The spring meeting of the Berkeley Division was called to order at 3:12 p.m. on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, in Sibley Auditorium, Bechtel Engineering Center, pursuant to call. Professor Barbara Spackman, chair of the Berkeley Division, presided. Quorum of 50 Senate members was confirmed and the agenda was approved.

I. Minutes

Enclosure 1

ACTION: The minutes of the October 29, 2018 fall Division meeting were approved as presented.

II. Announcements by the President

President Janet Napolitano was unable to attend.

III. Other Announcements

A. Chancellor Carol Christ

The Chancellor provided an update on the campus budget and reported that the deficit has been resolved through the conservation of funds and increased revenues. However, state funding remains unreliable, and the UC Regents voted down an increase in nonresident student tuition. With virtually no capacity to take on additional debt, Berkeley lacks sufficient funding for deferred maintenance and seismic remediation. In order to fund capital improvements and develop academic space, partnerships with private developers must be pursued. She noted efforts underway for new student housing and a 2020 capital campaign.

B. Berkeley Division Chair Barbara Spackman

Division Chair Spackman updated attendees on topics under consideration at the systemwide Academic Senate. An analysis of admissions practices will be completed this spring. A memorial to the Regents on fossil fuel divestment was approved for a systemwide vote to be held in June; Berkeley's Divisional Council was in support of the vote. An affiliation between UC San Francisco and Dignity Health, a chain of Catholic hospitals, has also been under discussion.

Lastly, Division Chair Spackman expressed her appreciation to the Division's executive director, Andrea Green Rush, who plans to retire this summer.

C. Graduate Assembly President Jonathan Morris

Graduate Assembly President Morris is a Ph.D. candidate in the Applied Science and Technology Graduate Group. He presented top priorities for graduate students at this time:

- The decoupling of the administration of graduate fees from undergraduate processes; a bill to change the Associated Student of UC (ASUC) bylaw has been submitted. Not only could this change benefit

graduate students, but also departments that currently pay students' graduate fees.
- Equity and inclusion.
- The housing crisis has been found to be one of three highest predictors for graduate student success and well-being. He particularly highlighted marginalized graduate student groups who may be more affected.

IV. Special Orders-Consent Calendar

*For proposed legislative amendments, **additions** to the current text are noted by an underline; **deletions** to the current text are noted by a strikethrough line. Per Division bylaws the consent calendar is approved in the absence of a quorum.*

A. Proposed amendments to Berkeley Division bylaw 31 governing the Committee on Admissions, Enrollment, and Preparatory Education (AEPE)

The Committee on Admissions, Enrollment, and Preparatory Education (AEPE) proposes an amendment to the bylaws to reflect the new combined position (as of January 1, 2019) of Assistant Vice Chancellor and Director of Undergraduate Admissions. Minor editorial changes also bring AEPE's bylaw into alignment with other committee bylaws. The Committee on Rules and Elections reviewed the proposed amendments and found them to be consonant with Berkeley Division bylaws and regulations. Divisional Council (DIVCO) also approved the proposed legislation.

31. ADMISSIONS, ENROLLMENT, AND PREPARATORY EDUCATION (Am. 10.25.94, 10.17.95, 11.4.96, 10.21.99, 4.25.05; EC. 11.21.00, 05.03.17, mm.dd.yy)

A. Membership

This Committee consists of at least six Senate members, ~~normally serving three year staggered terms~~, the Assistant ~~or Associate~~ Vice Chancellor and Director of Undergraduate Admissions ~~Admissions and Enrollment~~, as a voting member, and two student members~~, the Director of Undergraduate Admissions, as a non-voting member. The student members are appointed, and shall serve, in accordance with the provisions of Bylaw 13C.~~

B. Duties

• This Committee considers and reports on matters involving admissions and enrollment at Berkeley.
• This Committee exercises in the Division responsibilities regarding preparatory education that are assigned by the systemwide Senate Committee on Preparatory Education and by the Division. (EC 6.00)

A related conforming change will be made to BDB 2A, Membership, to reflect the new title for this campus position.

2. MEMBERSHIP

A. Members of the Division are:

- The President;
- The Chancellor, Vice Chancellors, Provosts, Deans, Directors of academic programs, Assistant Vice Chancellor and Director of Undergraduate Admissions ~~Assistant or Associate Vice Chancellor for Admissions and Enrollment~~, Registrar, and chief Librarian at Berkeley; (EC. 11.21.00)
- All Professors, Professors in Residence, Professors of Clinical _____, and Acting Professors;
- Associate Professors, Associate Professors in Residence, Associate Professors of Clinical_____, and Acting Associate Professors;
- Assistant Professors, Assistant Professors in Residence, and Assistant Professors of Clinical_____;
- Instructors, Instructors in Residence;
- Senior Lecturers with Security of Employment, Lecturers with Security of Employment, Senior Lecturers with Potential for Security of Employment, and Lecturers with Potential for Security of Employment, with full time teaching responsibilities in curricula under the control of the Academic Senate, whose duties lie primarily in Berkeley; and
- Those Vice Presidents, Deans, and Directors of statewide units who choose to enroll in this Division.

ACTION: The Consent Calendar was approved without objection.

V. Reports of Special Committees (None)

VI. Reports of Standing Committees

A. Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation

Professor Jennifer Johnson-Hanks, chair of the Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation (CAPRA), presented a slide presentation summarizing CAPRA's 2019-20 budget recommendations. These include: financial reform, administrative unit review, and improving the campus capital planning process.

B. Committee on Faculty Awards

Enclosure 2
The Committee on Faculty Awards (FAC) presented a written report of its actions this year.

- Nominations were made for the Edward A. Dickson Emeriti Professorship for 2019-20.
- FAC's nomination, on behalf of the division, of Professor Robert Alter (Near Eastern Studies and Comparative Literature) for the 2018-19 Constantine Panunzio Distinguished Emeriti Award was approved by UC Los Angeles.
- Nominations for the 2019 Clark Kerr Award were approved by Divisional Council: President Diana Natalicio of the University of Texas at El Paso, and President Freeman Hrabowski III from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

- Nominations for the 2019 Berkeley Faculty Service Award were approved by Divisional Council: Professor Nancy Wallace (Haas School of Business), and Professor Ignacio Navarrete (Spanish and Portuguese).

C. Committee on Faculty Research Lecture

Enclosure 3
Activities of the Committee on Faculty Research Lecture (FRL) were recorded in a written report. FRL's nominations for the prestigious Faculty Research Lectures were approved by Divisional Council. Professors David Card (Economics) and Steven E. Lindow (Plant and Microbial Biology) will present their research in 2020.

D. Committee on Rules and Elections

Chair of the Committee on Rules and Elections, Professor David Milnes, reported the results of this Divisional election and commended R&E Analyst Sumei Quiggle for her assistance. He also thanked all the candidates.

Senate members elected as at-large members of the Divisional Council:
Colleen Lye, English
John Ngai, Molecular & Cell Biology
David Wagner, Electrical Engineering & Computer Sciences

Senate members elected to the Committee on Committees:
Oliver Arnold, English
Serena Chen, Psychology
Yoram Rubin, Civil & Environmental Engineering
Hei Sook Sul, Nutritional Sciences & Toxicology

VII. Petitions of Students
None

VIII. Unfinished Business
None

IX. University and Faculty Welfare

A. Update on UC's negotiations with Elsevier
University Librarian Jeffrey MacKie-Mason presented a slide presentation on UC's contract renewal negotiations with Elsevier, the largest publisher of scholarly research. UC has refused Elsevier's pricing and terms for renewal, thus the contract expired in 2018. Negotiations ended in February 2019 but faculty should continue to have access through 2019. If not, Berkeley has found alternative access to most articles and will provide support to faculty. UC is also working to ensure open access through other publishers.

Senate members who commented in open discussion were supportive of UC's open access policy and refusal of Elsevier's pricing.

B. Strategies for evaluating teaching at Berkeley

A panel focused on proposed revisions of campus policies for the evaluation of teaching in academic personnel reviews. These were proposed by the executive vice chancellor and provost, with input from the Committee on Teaching and the Committee on Budget and Interdepartmental Relations (BIR).

Division Chair Spackman moderated. The panelists were: Miles Lincoln, course evaluations service lead in Educational Technology Services; Professor Glynda Hull (Education), chair of the Committee on Teaching, and Professor Mary Ann Smart (Music), 2019-20 BIR chair.

Chair Spackman presented a Powerpoint presentation that briefly summarized the proposed revisions, including the following points:

- All narrative comments from online evaluations and on hard copy evaluations of up to 50 total responses must be forwarded to campus. When there are over 50 hard copy evaluations, either a random sample or all narrative comments may be provided.
- Five new questions on a five-point scale would replace current questions.
- Units must report the complete score distribution for mandated questions.
- Units must report the instructor's score distribution compared to the unit's as a whole.
- Teaching dossiers may be submitted but are optional. These may be beneficial to faculty during the review process.
- Peer observation should be introduced for threshold cases as of July 2021.

The panel reviewed efforts through the years to improve the teaching evaluation process. Potential for further improvement in the process was highlighted.

Attendees commented during the open discussion on continuing difficulty in obtaining a good student response. Ways to incentivize students and improve engagement are still needed. There was support for the new questions.

X. **New Business**

None

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

David Milnes
Secretary, Berkeley Division