

**APPROVED MINUTES
BERKELEY DIVISIONAL COUNCIL
Monday, April 27, 2020 – 12:00-2:00 PM
Videoconference**

Divisional Council (DIVCO) met on Monday, April 27, 2020, by Zoom videoconference due to the COVID-19 pandemic and shelter-in-place. Division Chair Oliver O'Reilly presided. A quorum was recorded as shown on the attached attendance chart. Guests were invited for Item V.A. Capital Campaign update. A request to reorder the agenda was approved, to accommodate the guests.

I. MINUTES

A. Minutes of the March 18, 2020 special meeting
Enclosure 1

ACTION: The minutes were approved.

B. Minutes of the March 30, 2020 meeting
Enclosure 2

ACTION: The minutes were approved.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. COMS Nominations
Enclosure 3

Senate Nominations for 2020-21

Committee on Budget and Interdepartmental Relations

Appointment of Professor Leslie Kurke (Classics/Comp Lit) as chair on the Committee on Budget and Interdepartmental Relations for AY20-21.

Committee on Budget and Interdepartmental Relations

Appointment of Professor Hannah Ginsborg (Philosophy) as a member on the Committee on Budget and Interdepartmental Relations for AY20-21.

ACTION: The nominations were approved.

B. Clark Kerr Award
Enclosures 4a – 4b

The Committee on Faculty Awards nominated two exceptional leaders in higher education for recognition with the Division's 2020 Clark Kerr Award: Dr. J. Michael Bishop, chancellor emeritus of the University of California, San Francisco, and Dr. John L. Hennessy, president emeritus of Stanford University.

ACTION: The nominations were approved.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Update on implementation of the changes in grading and other curriculum modifications

Graduate Council (GC) Chair John Battles provided an update on changes in online programs and self-supporting graduate degree programs due to COVID-19. He emphasized that programs having significant new online content would need to go through the normal review process. An extension of the time limit for

graduate student instructors (GSIs) may be requested from the systemwide Coordinating Committee on Graduate Affairs. The GSI labor strike has not yet been resolved.

Committee on Courses of Instruction (COCI) Chair Robert Ashmore presented an update on COCI issues. Numerous procedural issues for Fall 2020 have arisen. He emphasized that when the shelter-in-place ends, it is expected that courses will return to their original form, as the Spring 2020 shift to remote instruction was an emergency response to the COVID-19 pandemic and not a permanent change. Chair Ashmore highlighted the importance of campus messaging to clearly differentiate such courses from distance learning courses developed only for online application. Chair O'Reilly added that task forces having strong Senate representation will be examining research, student-facing issues, etc., in preparation for the coming year.

B. Division Chair Oliver O'Reilly

- Faculty issues: A survey of the junior faculty is needed to ascertain their challenges and state of well-being during this stressful time.

ACTION: Division Chair O'Reilly will make the recommendation to the Chancellor and the executive vice chancellor and provost, as well as the systemwide Academic Senate.

- Budget: The campus budget is being very severely impacted by the COVID-19 epidemic. UC's enormous economic value to the State must be emphasized to strengthen its support.
- Junior faculty: The Committee on Budget and Interdepartmental Relations (BIR) proposed an extension of the tenure clock to support junior faculty; this was also supported by the Committee on Faculty Welfare. It was proposed that first, the treatment of faculty during the pandemic be clarified.

ACTION: BIR was charged to draft a letter to the vice provost for the faculty for consideration at a future meeting.

A straw poll was taken on a blanket extension of the tenure clock for all assistant professors, with an option to opt out.

- COVID-19 epidemic: Division Chair O'Reilly proposes that UC be established as the primary center for COVID-19 testing in the state.
- Instructional resilience: Crisis management is quieting down and the focus is now shifting to academic planning for Fall 2020.
- Division meeting: The Spring division meeting is scheduled for April 30, 3:00-5:00 PM on Zoom videoconferencing and council members were asked to encourage their colleagues to join.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Joint CAPRA/DIVCO statement on finance reform

Enclosure 5

Earlier considerations about finance reform had been overtaken by the COVID-19 epidemic, which has now significantly changed the way the university operates. A different approach was proposed by the Committee on Academic

Planning and Resource Allocation (CAPRA). CAPRA's letter was then revised by some DIVCO members to come jointly from both groups. The letter emphasizes the importance of shared governance between the Senate and the administration in responding to the current crisis.

MOTION: To approve the joint CAPRA/DIVCO statement on financial reform as presented.

Vote: The motion was unanimously approved.

ACTION: Divisional Council authorized Division Chair O'Reilly to forward the statement to the executive vice chancellor and provost.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Capital Campaign update

Enclosure 6

The guests for this item were Julie Hooper, Vice Chancellor for University Development and Alumni Relations; Leslie Schibsted, Interim Campaign Director; and Erin Earnest, Campaign Analyst. The Capital Campaign was launched on February 29, just before the shelter-in-place. The epidemic has presented unique challenges, but new commitments have continued. The campaign's goals are tied to the campus Strategic Plan and incorporate decanal priorities.

The guests encouraged faculty involvement. Personal experiences and reporting on the use and benefits of the funding are invaluable for demonstrating results to donors. Faculty can also work with their local development officers on strategizing.

Council members were concerned about ensuring the balanced allocation of funding and noted there was historical precedence for the Committee on Budget and Interdepartmental Relations to make specific recommendations. The involvement of faculty through the Faculty Relations Group would be very beneficial in campaign efforts.

ACTION: The Faculty Relations Group will be discussed with the Chancellor.

B. Recognizing International Activities as Part of the Merit, Tenure, and Promotion Process at the University of California.

Enclosures 7a – 7b and Handout A

The Committee on Faculty Welfare felt the current procedure was working adequately so did not feel changes were necessary. Likewise, BIR did not feel changes to the APM (Academic Personnel Manual) were needed, but agreed there was value in enhancing the visibility of international activities for fundraising purposes.

ACTION: Divisional Council opposed the proposal and authorized Division Chair O'Reilly to forward its comments to the UC Committee on International Education.

VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. Forward:* Proposed Name Change for Near Eastern Studies

Forwarded to the Committee on Diversity, Equity and Campus Climate and Undergraduate Council. DIVCO discussion scheduled for May 11, 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.
Recorder: M. Kwock, Assistant to the Chair

INVITED GUESTS *	1/27/20	2/10/20	2/24/20	3/9/20	3/16/20	3/18/20 Special Meeting	3/30/20	4/1/20 Special Meeting	4/13/20	4/27/20	5/11/20
May, Robert	P										
Bhavnani, Kum-Kum		P									
Gauvain, Mary		P									
Hlusko, Leslea		P									
Boering, Kristie			P								
Langan, Celeste				P							
Ogundele, Olufemi				P							
Jones, Abby				P	P						
Hull, Glynda							P				
Russo, Rick							P				
Silver, Rana							P				
Zohdi, Tarek							P				
Whitlock, Eugene									P		
Earnest, Erin										P	
Hooper, Julie										P	
Schibsted, Leslie										P	
SENATE STAFF	1/27/20	2/10/20	2/24/20	3/9/20	3/16/20	3/18/20 Special Meeting	3/30/20	4/1/20 Special Meeting	4/13/20	4/27/20	5/11/20
Banaria, Jocelyn Surla	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Kwock, Marilyn	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Quiggle, Sumei						P		P			
Tuchrello, Sumali						P		P			

P=Present A=Absent * Non-voting