

**APPROVED MINUTES  
BERKELEY DIVISIONAL COUNCIL  
Monday, April 11, 2022 – 12:10-2:00 PM  
South Hall, Room 205**

Divisional Council (DIVCO) met on Monday, April 11, 2021 in 205 South Hall. Division Chair Ronald Cohen presided. Quorum was present, as shown on the attached attendance chart.

**I. A. MINUTES** of the meeting of March 14, 2022

**ACTION:** The minutes were approved as presented.

**II. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. Berkeley Faculty Service Award (BFSA) nomination**

**B. Leon Henkin Citation nomination**

**C. Proposed Presidential Policy on UC Research Data**

**ACTION:** The Consent Calendar was approved as presented.

**III. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Division Chair Ronald Cohen*

**DIVCO:** The last DIVCO meeting of the year (May 9) is scheduled for three hours, 12:00-3:00 p.m. That afternoon at 4:00 p.m. the Academic Senate will host its end-of-the-year reception honoring faculty awardees as well as committee chairs who are rotating off.

**CDSS:** The proposal and committee reports for the College of Computing, Data Science, and Society (CDSS) will be discussed at the May 9 DIVCO meeting. Chair Cohen asked DIVCO members to approach the proposal on two levels, separating comments on changes needed in the proposal itself from recommendations DIVCO might make to guide the implementation of the new college.

**Academic Council:** At the last Academic Council meeting, there was a robust discussion regarding the Ethnic Studies admissions requirement. Academic Council members broadly supported the proposal, but raised concerns about the language used, the accessibility of the document to the public and its utility as guidance for high school teachers. Council referred those comments back for further discussion at BOARS.

Academic Council discussed a proposal to have all UC campuses support the California Digital Library by adding an additional a tax on the campuses and managing the CDL at UCOP. Chair Cohen has asked the Library Committee (LIBR) to think about the issues associated with the library and this mechanism of paying for it.

Negotiations with the UAW representing the GSRs on the 10 campuses are beginning. Faculty were asked to share their priorities with negotiators. Chair Cohen's top priority is for UCOP and the union to commit to working together to raise the size of individual federal grants, which have been flat for almost 20 years. He also emphasized faculty concerns about the relative costs of postdoctoral scholars vs. graduate students and the potential that new bureaucratic requirements related to GSR employment might discourage faculty from hiring GSRs.

#### IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### A. Discussion/action: Proposed revisions to BDB 19 and 20

This item arose out of concerns for equity in awards internal and external to the campus, together with a desire to make the Faculty Awards Committee (FAC) and the Committee on Faculty Research Lectures (FRL) function more efficiently. The proposal to combine the committees was supported by FAC but not by FRL. Chair Cohen proposed that DIVCO postpone consideration of merging the committees for two years. During that time FRL would be expected to solicit or generate at least six nominations for the year's Faculty Research Lectures (i.e. a number equal to at least 2/3 of their membership) and to report to DIVCO on the number and diversity of the nominations they generated and received.

There was a short discussion among DIVCO members regarding a simplified nomination process (along the lines proposed by FRL). Council was supportive of Chair Cohen's suggestion.

**ACTION:** DIVCO Authorized Chair Cohen to send letters to the Chairs of the Committee on Faculty Awards (FAC) and Faculty Research Lecture (FRL) describing the outcome of this discussion.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

##### A. Discussion only: Peoples' Park Housing Project

*Guests: Wendy Hillis, Campus Architect*

*William Reichle, Chief of Staff to the Vice Chancellor of Administration*

*Alma Du Solier, Landscape Architect at Hood Design Studio*

After brief introductions, Wendy Hillis explained the three aspects of the People's Park project:

1. Student housing with 1,100 beds;
2. Assisted/transitional housing for formerly houseless/homeless individuals with 100 apartments, run separately by nonprofit organizations; and a
3. Public park that will commemorate the history of People's Park.

Presenting the project, Alma Du Solier outlined various features that are being planned for inclusion into the project, such as:

- gardens that can be used for different purposes and gatherings;

- a “portal” underneath the student housing with video, projections, and informal seating,
- a 1969 Promenade to commemorate the protests.

The discussion among DIVCO members that followed touched on identifying individuals and groups who could aid in curation of the new spaces, anticipating pushback from community members and current residents of the park, garden maintenance, regulations on use of the property, and additional ideas for the project.

**B. Discussion only: Committee updates – GC, COMS**

The Chair of Graduate Council (GC) described some of the changes that have come before the committee during the year.

GC awarded the 2022 Carol D. Soc Distinguished Graduate Student Mentoring award, worked on policy revisions for pre-matriculation credits, continued discussions on graduate admissions requirements, and discussed general issues with Self-Supporting Graduate Degree Programs (SSGPGPs), especially in regards to campus space and faculty time.

The Chair of the Committee on Committees (COMS) stated that COMS is finishing up its assignments for 2022-23 committee membership. COMS is considering expanding some of the committees to create additional opportunities to serve. COMS is trying to be more data-driven when looking at faculty participation in the Academic Senate, and has built databases that list faculty from underrepresented groups, recently-tenured faculty, and new faculty appointed with tenure. COMS aims to improve communication with faculty members, especially those who have not been appointed to a committee and expressed interest. COMS invited deans and chairs to nominate individuals to committees which has proven helpful.

**C. Forward\*: Presidential Policy on Affiliations with Certain Healthcare Organizations**

*Forwarded to the committees on Diversity, Equity and Campus Climate (DECC) and Faculty Welfare (FWEL). DIVCO discussion tentatively scheduled for May 9, 2022.*

**D. Forward\*: Proposal to Discontinue the BA in Environmental Economics & Policy**

*Forwarded to the committee on Budget and Interdepartmental Relations (BIR) and Undergraduate Council (UGC). DIVCO discussion tentatively scheduled for May 9, 2022.*

**E. Forward\*: College of Computing, Data Science and Society (CDSS) proposal**

*Forwarded to the committees on Admissions, Enrollment, and Preparatory Education (AEPE); Budget and Interdepartmental Relations (BIR); Academic Planning and Resource Allocation (CAPRA); Diversity, Equity, and Campus Climate (DECC); Graduate Council (GC) and Undergraduate Council (UGC). DIVCO discussion tentatively scheduled for May 9, 2022.*

**VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**A. Academic Council Response to Calls for Universal Hybrid Instruction**

**B. UCB Response to Systemwide Review of Recommendations for Department  
Political Statements**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:43pm.

Recorder: Haniya Ferrell, Administrative Assistant

**DIVCO – ATTENDANCE, SPRING 2022**

DIVCO MEMBERS	1/24/22	2/7/22 - CANCELLED	2/14/22	2/28/22	3/14/22	3/28/22 - CANCELLED	4/11/22	4/25/22	5/9/22
Aguilera, Adrian	P		P	P	P		P		
Catanese, Brandi	P		P	A	P		P		
Cohen, Ronald	P		P	P	P		P		
Doremus, Holly	P		P	P	P		P		
Fernald, Lia	P		A	P	A		P		
Gilles, J. Keith*	P		P	P	P		P		
Glaunsinger, Britt	P		P	P	P		P		
Hesse, Carla	P		P	P	P		P		
Kern, Richard	P		P	P	P		P		
Leonard, Thomas	P		P	P	P		P		
McMains, Sara	P		A	P	P		P		
Olney, Martha	P		P	A	P		P		
Ozer, Emily	P		P	P	P		P		
Plaut, Victoria	P		P	P	P		P		
Sayre, Nathan	P		P	P	P		P		
Siu, Lok	P		A	P	P		P		
Smart, Mary Ann	P		P	P	P		P		
Sweetser, Eve	P		P	P	P		P		
Tarica, Estelle	P		P	A	P		P		
INVITED GUESTS *	1/24/22	2/7/22 - CANCELLED	2/14/22	2/28/22	3/14/22	3/28/22 - CANCELLED	4/11/22	4/25/22	5/9/22
Hallett, Christopher				P					
Gailmard, Sean					P				
Lee Wilby, Kristine					P				

Hermalin, Benjamin					P				
Gutierrez, Kris					P				
Whissel, Kristen					P				
Sitar, Nicholas					P				
Johnson-Hanks, Jennifer					P				
Baranger, Anne					P				
Hillis, Wendy								P	
Du Solier, Alma								P	
Reichle, William								P	

SENATE STAFF	1/24/22	2/7/22	2/14/22	2/28/22	3/14/22	3/28/22	4/11/22	4/25/22	5/9/22
Allen, Patrick				P					
Banaria, Jocelyn Surla	P		P	P	P		P		
Corley, Linda									
Dobin, Deborah									
Ferrell, Haniya	P		P	A	P		P		
Lynch, William									
MacIntyre, Courtney									
Marias Dezendorf, Rachel									
Mitchell, Lanayah									
Quiggle, Sumei									

P=Present A=Absent \* Non-voting