In fulfilling its charge as established in the Bylaws of the Berkeley Division of the Academic Senate, the Committee on Rules and Elections (R&E) carried out the following activities. The chair of R&E during 2016-17 was Professor Daniel Melia, Secretary of the Division.

I. Division Elections

The results of the spring 2017 Berkeley Division elections were as follows.

- 443 valid ballots.
- Senate members elected to Divisional Council: Mark Richards (Earth and Planetary Science), R. Jay Wallace (Philosophy), and Victoria Fréde-Montemayor (History)
- Senate members elected to the Committee on Committees: Candace Yano (IEOR/Business Administration), Karl Britto (French/Comparative Literature), Lin He (Molecular and Cell Biology), and Ula Taylor (African American Studies)

II. Finished Business

A. Completed with Written Comment

- Proposed amendments to Berkeley Division legislation
  - Proposed creation of Berkeley Division Regulation 1002 Master of Public Affairs Degree (M.P.A.), and update to BDR 1001 (conforming changes) *Approval forwarded to Division Chair Robert Powell (09/14/16)*
  - Proposed amendments to Berkeley Division By-law 25 Committee on Research *Comments forwarded to Division Chair Powell (09/27/16)*
  - Proposal to withdraw Berkeley Division By-law 43 Student Affairs *Proposal forwarded to Division Chair Powell (03/08/17)*
  - Proposal to amend Berkeley Division Regulation A230 on Special Studies *Proposal forwarded to Division Chair Powell (03/08/17)*
  - Proposal to amend Berkeley Division Regulation A291 on Senior Residence *Proposal forwarded to Division Chair Powell (03/13/17)*
  - Proposed amendments to Berkeley Division By-law 32 Committee on Computing and Communications *Comments forwarded to Division Chair Powell (03/15/17)*
o Proposed amendments to Berkeley Division By-law 47 Undergraduate Council, BDB 30 Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation, and withdrawal of BDB 36 Committee on Educational Policy

Comments forwarded to Division Chair Powell (04/20/17)

• Minimum course grade for satisfying UC Entry Level Writing Requirement

R&E considered the request for clarification in spring 2016, and requested Committee on Courses of Instruction (COCI) review. Notification forwarded to the Office of the Registrar, College Writing Programs, and Council of Undergraduate Deans (09/27/16).

• Requests for clarifications on retroactive grade and grading option changes

Comments forwarded to L&S Coordinator of Educational Policy Susan Cass (09/27/16)

• Requests for clarification on senior residence and dismissal status

Comments forwarded to L&S Coordinator of Educational Policy Susan Cass (09/27/16)

• Replacing Incompletes in the new Student Information Systems (SIS)

Comments forwarded to Division Chair Powell (10/17/16)

• Proposed revisions to APM 015 (The Faculty Code of Conduct), 016 (University Policy on Faculty Conduct and the Administration of Discipline), and Senate Bylaw 336 (Privilege and Tenure: Divisional Committees—Disciplinary Cases)

Comments forwarded to Division Chair Powell (10/17/16)

• Request to grant Entry-Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) to freshmen enrolled in Reading and Composition courses in fall 2016

Approval forwarded to COCI Chair Leslea Hlusko (11/14/16)

• Request to review proposal from Council of Undergraduate Deans on P/NP unit limits

Comments forwarded to COCI Chair Hlusko (12/15/16)

• Request to consider limitations on granting partial credit in SIS

Comments forwarded to L&S Coordinator of Educational Policy Susan Cass, and forwarded one item to COCI for review (12/15/16)

• Request for reconsideration of decision on Study Abroad courses and Senior Residence

Comments forwarded to L&S Coordinator of Educational Policy Susan Cass (12/15/16), resulting in proposed modification to BDR A291 (see above).

• Proposal to amend SR 630 (to add UC NRS course)

Comments forwarded to Division Chair Powell (02/22/17)

B. Completed without Written Comment
• Admissions procedures/letters of recommendation
  Division Chair Powell attended a meeting to seek advice on a draft policy from the Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools (BOARS) limiting campus augmented review (04/19/17).

III. Unfinished Business – None