DIVISIONAL SENATE ASSEMBLY
Minutes of the Meeting
Thursday, January 30, 2014, 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Academic Senate Conference Room, 338 Aldrich Hall

1. MEETING:
A regular meeting of the Irvine Divisional Senate Assembly was called to order by Division Chair Peter Krapp at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 30, 2014, at the Academic Senate Conference Room, 338 Aldrich Hall. Members of the Administrative staff and members of the University community were present.

2. MINUTES:
Chair Krapp noted that any corrections to the minutes may be sent to the Senate office for amendment.
Action: The minutes of October 31 were approved.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CHAIR PETER KRAPP:

   Chancellor Drake's New Appointment: Chancellor Drake will be leaving in June 2014 to become Ohio State’s new President.

   Regents: There was a Regents meeting on January 22 and 23, 2014. The Governor has reappointed Regents Monica Lozano, Richard Blum, and Norman Pattiz, and a new member of the Board is Richard Sherman. The Regents appointed as the new UC Chief Investment Officer Jagdeep Singh Bachher, and he will start later this year. Bachher is currently an executive vice president for one of Canada's largest and most diversified investment fund managers.

   Budget: The Governor proposes to provide new state general funds for UC of $142.2 million (a 5% increase to a total of $2,793.4 million), consistent with the multi-year plan he proposed last year. That plan assumes that UC does not raise tuition and continues to achieve savings through administrative efficiencies. The state has not, however, acknowledged its obligation to UCRP, nor any of the one-time proposals the UC recommended to the Department of Finance. The Governor proposed $50 million for competitive awards to UC, CSU, and the CCCs that are tied to performance metrics, including but not limited to degrees awarded, time to degree, graduation rates, transfer rates, etc. UC students will benefit from the new Middle Class Scholarship Program to be implemented in the fall of 2014 that will provide a 40% reduction in tuition and fees for families with incomes up to $150,000. While fewer than half of UC students pay full tuition, this program will provide greater assistance to students who might not otherwise qualify for financial aid. It remains a high priority for UC to achieve support from either Proposition 39 or from Cap and Trade funds to support energy and sustainability initiatives.

   UCI Applications Update: This year, UCI saw a continued increase in applications (up 9.6% in freshman and 2.6% in transfer applications), which in current scenarios results in an overall growth of undergraduates on the general campus of around 650 students (as new freshmen increase to 5440 and new transfers to 1965). The campus will estimate new resources, identify funding needed to support mandatory costs, and determine revenue needed for the Provost to support institutional support, campus-wide priorities, and initiatives. Units of instruction and research (except for Education, Law, Medicine, and Nursing) will receive a budget increment for FY15 consistent with an undergraduate workload formula. Doctoral fellowship support is expected to grow; development and advancement activities in the units and in the central office will see support to implement a federated model. All units will absorb the increase in employee benefits.

   Moreno Report: Based on the recommendations made by the working group, President Napolitano has asked that every UC campus implement a set of five measures, if they are not already in place.
These measures are to ensure campuses are addressing incidents of discrimination, bias, or harassment in a robust, fair, and transparent manner. Throughout the discussion UCI was one of the campuses held up as a model of best practices, but the campus is committed to improving. The measures can be found on the UCOP website.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PROVOST HOWARD GILLMAN:

Interactive Chancellor Appointment: President Napolitano has asked Provost Gillman to serve as acting Chancellor after Drake’s departure, while the search for a new Chancellor is underway.

Dean Search: The search for a new dean of the Paul Merage Business School is going well. At the moment it is unclear if the search to find a new Vice Chancellor of Health Sciences/Dean of the School of Medicine will continue as planned; it might necessary to slow it down to see the Chancellor position filled first, and an interim Dean would lead the Medical School.

Undergraduate Admissions Update: UCI was the fourth most applied to UC, just after UCLA, Berkeley and San Diego; with over 82,000 applicants. UCI led the system with above average increases, over the previous year, in several categories: freshman California residents, transfer, African American and Chicano/Latino applications have all increased. UCI is an engine of social mobility with first-generation and lower-income applicants increasing as well.

High Impact Hiring: The deadline to submit proposals for the High Impact Hiring Plan is February 14, 2014. Already 35 inter-school proposals have been submitted. The Academic Planning Group, Deans, and the Provost will evaluate the ideas being generated.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS: None

6. SPECIAL ORDERS – CONSENT CALENDAR
Councils:
- Council on Academic Personnel
- Council on Educational Policy
- Council on Faculty Welfare
- Graduate Council
- Council on Planning and Budget
- Council on Research, Computing and Libraries
- Council on Student Experience
- Council on Undergraduate Admissions and Relations with Schools

Committees, Subcommittees & Boards:
- CEP Assessment Committee
- Committee on Committees
- Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction
- Committee on Scholarly Honors and Awards
- Programs and Policy Subcommittee
- Subcommittee on Courses and Continuing, Part-Time & Summer Session Education
- Subcommittee on International Education

The consent calendar was accepted.

7. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES: None

8. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:
Name Change for the Department of Women’s Studies

**Issue:** The Senate has reviewed the proposed name change for the Department of Women’s Studies to the Department of Gender and Sexuality Studies. As part of the review process, Graduate Council (GC) and Council on Educational Policy (CEP) consulted with the Council on Planning & Budget (CPB).

**Discussion:** The Senate concurred with the Department of Women’s Studies that their name was out of date and no longer appropriate for the current climate.

**Action:** The Assembly voted to approve the name change for the Department of Women’s Studies to the Department of Gender and Sexuality Studies. [31 in favor, 3 opposed, 1 abstain]

Establishment of the B.S. in Exercise Sciences

**Issue:** The Senate has reviewed the proposal for a new B.S. in Exercise Sciences in the School of Biological Sciences. As part of the review process, the Council on Educational Policy (CEP) consulted with the Council on Planning & Budget (CPB).

**Discussion:** There was some concern that the new major could be mistaken for a certification; there was a suggestion to make sure that the language in the general catalogue was very clear and specific about that. CEP was satisfied with the thoroughness with which this proposal was vetted.

**Action:** The Assembly voted to approve the proposal to establish a B.S. in Exercise Science. [31 in favor, 2 opposed, 2 abstain]

Establishment of B.A. in Education Science

**Issue:** The Senate has received for its review the proposal for a new B.A. in Education Science in the School of Education. As part of the review process, the Council on Educational Policy (CEP) consulted with the Council on Planning & Budget (CPB) regarding the budgetary resources required to establish the new degree program were asked to provide their comments and endorsement.

**Discussion:** The Senate felt that this motion was long overdue and supported the proposal.

**Action:** The Assembly voted to approve the proposal to establish a B.A. in Education Science. [35 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain]

Establishment of the M.A. in Philosophy, Political Science and Economics

**Issue:** The Senate has received for its review the proposal for a new M.A. Degree in Philosophy, Political Science, and Economics (4+1), and interdisciplinary program administered by the Department of Logic and Philosophy of Science. The 4+1 degree will allow undergraduate students to complete a set of required courses for admission into the M.A. The Graduate Council (GC), the Council on Educational Policy (CEP) and the Council on Planning & Budget (CPB) reviewed the proposal. This proposal is a resubmission from 2011-12.

**Discussion:**

**Action:** The Assembly voted to approve the proposal to establish a M.A. in Philosophy, Political Science and Economics. [34 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstain]

9. **PETITIONS OF STUDENTS:** None
10 UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

11. REPORTS OR COMMENTS ON UNIVERSITY AND FACULTY WELFARE: None

12. NEW BUSINESS:

13. ROLL CALL: Attendance Sheet

14. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

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Attest: Peter Krapp, Chair