1. **MEETING:**
A regular meeting of the Irvine Divisional Senate Assembly was called to order by Chair Barbour at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 2, 2011, 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 Barbour noted that any corrections to the minutes may be sent to the Senate office for amendment.

**Action:** The minutes of May 5 were approved.

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CHAIR ALAN BARBOUR:**
- The Ad-Hoc Review Committee of the Chancellorial Stewardship Review is completing its assessment report for the President’s review. Academic Council Chair Simmons and Chair Barbour will be provided with a copy of the report and will be consulted by the President. Upon completion, President Yudof will report the conclusion of the review to the campus community.
- The number of systemwide Assembly representatives for the Irvine Division remains at 4 for 2011-12. There are 40 Assembly seats apportioned among 10 divisions, with a minimum of one seat per division. The apportionment is based on the number of active and emeriti Senate members. There has been an ongoing discussion of possibly excluding faculty of the medical centers from the Senate membership.
- While the Office of the President is leading the rebenching process, some campuses are maneuvering the new budget model to increase their non-resident enrollment. With the non-resident enrollment rate being close to 30% at UC Berkeley and UCLA, the remaining campuses will have to take on additional in-state students to fulfill the systemwide target resident student enrollment. The issue of greater weighting of graduate students over undergraduate students is also being considered.
- There is increasing support among the Regents to consider increases in tuition as state funding declines.

4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CHANCELLOR MICHAEL DRAKE:**
- Academic Council Chair Simmons presented to the Regents on differential fees and the possible tiering issue of the campuses. As the Regents wish to maintain access and excellence of the UC system, affordability for eligible California students is becoming increasingly difficult to preserve. The decline in state funding inevitably leads to an increase in tuition.
- Students have expressed concerns with academic counseling and found its services to be discouraging and unsupportive.
- The UC Online Education (UCOE) pilot program is expected to offer UC courses taught by UC professors to UC students. The focus will be on large lower-level division courses. The second phase of the program will center on expanding the student pool to include UC eligible and non-resident students who will be allowed to transfer these courses for credit. By offering quality online courses, UCOE program is viewed as a way to address access and manage costs in light of declining state support. It was noted that metrics are being completed to determine course standards. However, the Senate remains to be convinced of the future success of UCOE based on the assessment of the program.
- Irvine online courses are being developed in close collaboration with University Extension and the Council on Educational Policy which has already established online course approval policy and guidelines. In parallel to the systemwide initiative, the campus has over 30 approved online courses.
summer courses enrolled by over 2,000 students, compared to 6,000 students systemwide. Moreover, the process for XI courses that will be transferrable for credit is in progress.

- 3% salary increase for faculty and non-represented staff remains in the current budget plan and is supported by the President and the Regents.
- The 2011 Celebration of Teaching was held on May 26 to honor faculty selected for their excellence in undergraduate instruction.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS - None

6. SPECIAL ORDERS – CONSENT CALENDAR

Academic Senate’s Distinguished Faculty Awards for 2011-12
- **Distinguished Faculty Award for Research**
  Michael Cahalan, Department of Physiology & Biophysics
- **Distinguished Mid-Career Faculty Award for Research**
  Natalia Komarova, Department of Mathematics
- **Distinguished Assistant Professor Award for Research**
  Susan Huang, Department of Medicine
- **Distinguished Faculty Award for Teaching**
  Farghalli Mohamed, Department of Chemical Engineering & Materials Science
- **Distinguished Assistant Professor Award for Teaching**
  Christine Suetterlin, Department of Developmental & Cell Biology
- **Daniel G. Aldrich, Jr. Distinguished University Service Award**
  Donald Saari, Departments of Economics & Mathematics
- **Distinguished Mid-Career Faculty Award for Service**
  Peter Krapp, Department of Film & Media Studies

The 2011-12 Distinguished Faculty Awards will be held in the fall quarter.

7. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES: None

8. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

**IR 386 – Credit Hour Unit Limit (undergraduate)**

*Issue*: The Council on Educational Policy (CEP) was asked to formulate a policy limiting the number of credit hours UCI undergraduate students are able to take to graduate. CEP reviewed the policies of other UC campuses and concluded that a limit of 216 hours is a reasonable proposal. CEP recommends that the policy be added to the Regulations of the Irvine Division effective Fall 2011.

*Discussion*: The proposed policy recommends a limit of 216 credit hour units to graduate (180 credit hour units are required for graduation). It includes exceptions for transfer students, double majors, and students in Engineering. It also allows Deans to make exceptions as needed. It was observed that certain majors in Arts tend to require high credit hours. However, the school unit does not find the proposal to be problematic. The Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction (CRJ) reviewed the legislation, and found the proposed revision in compliance with the Senate Code.

The proposal was discussed at the May 5 Assembly meeting and was updated with minor language changes. CRJ found the revised version of IR 386 to be in compliance with the Senate Code.

*Action*: The Assembly voted to approve IR 386 – Credit Hour Unit Limit (undergraduate) [21 endorsed, 2 opposed].

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

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

12. NEW BUSINESS: None

13. ROLL CALL: Attendance Sheet

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m. Chair Barbour thanked Assembly representatives for their service in 2010-11.

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Academic Senate, Irvine Division
Attest: Craig Martens, Chair-Elect