MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE, IRVINE DIVISION

Dear Academic Senate Faculty,

I write to invite you to join me, members of the Senate Cabinet, and your School representatives at the upcoming Divisional Senate Assembly meeting on **Thursday, March 14, 2019** from 3:30-5:00pm, in the Academic Senate Conference Room (338 Aldrich Hall).

The agenda is attached to this message and may be viewed by members of the Assembly at https://dms.senate.uci.edu/~councils.and.committees/?Assembly.meetings.

The Provost will be joining us to provide updates about principles for allocation of FTE over the next few years and the role of online education on campus and how it is informed by the body of research on the effectiveness of online classes for different purposes and cohorts.

We will vote on proposed changes to Senate Bylaws 40 and 125 which aim to clarify parameters around Faculties’ authority in determining their own bylaws, regulations, and government and to clarify the Senate’s practice for reviewing Faculties’ bylaws, respectively.

We will discuss a Memorial on Fossil Fuel Divestment, received from the San Francisco Division of the Academic Senate, which would petition the Regents to divest the University’s endowment portfolio of all investments in the 200 publicly traded fossil fuel companies with the largest carbon reserves. We plan to put this to a vote at our May 2, 2019 Assembly meeting.

Erik Kelly, Instructional Technology Support Manager, Office of Information Technology, and Briandy Walden, Associate Director, OIT Student & Academic Services, will join us to provide an update on campus’ transition from EEE to Canvas.

Lorelei Tanji, University Librarian, and John Renaud, Associate University Librarian for Research Resources, will also provide an update on the outcome of UC negotiations with Elsevier and answer faculty questions.

I look forward to seeing you on Thursday, March 14.

Please confirm your attendance at https://goo.gl/forms/3PrIALtqo120rqB3 by Monday, March 11.

Sincerely,

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