MEETING: The Riverside Division of the Academic Senate met on Thursday, February 1, 2001, at 2:10 p.m. in the Commons Terrace Rooms C & D. Chairman Irwin W. Sherman presided.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the Regular meeting of the November 7, 2000, meeting were approved as distributed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHANCELLOR: Chancellor Raymond L. Orbach distributed handouts concerning the state of admissions for Fall 2001. Students apply on average to three campuses. There is a 10% increase in enrollments. March 1 is the formal admission deadline. The campus has worked very hard to get the numbers of (SIRs) student's intent to register up. We are ahead of last year. Regular admits are considerably increased and there are no special admits. There is also an increase in the quality of students. Chancellor Orbach noted that we will accept students from the referral pool as we did last year since this represents a very good mix of high quality students. UC Riverside is more and more the campus of choice.

The Law School Proposal was submitted to Academic Council on time. There was criticism by the Council which was taken seriously. A Blue Ribbon Committee was formed and it worked diligently for three months to assist in the revision of the proposal. The Academic Council will do a preliminary review in April. Hopefully, the Chancellor said, it will be presented to the regents in May. In the revised proposal, site location for the school was changed from downtown Riverside to the campus.

Chancellor Orbach noted that The Center for Science (Cal EC) went forward with 11 other proposals, five survived. UCR's was accepted but did not meet the requirements of the Department of Finance and the Office of the President and so we were technically ineligible. The Chancellor stated that the science in our proposal was strong. The governor recommended four, and we came in 5th. The OP encouraged the campus to go forward and be considered for the May revision. Director M. Clegg met with OP and went through the match very carefully; OP will ask the Governor to reconsider the 5th proposal. President Atkinson told the Chancellor that we would be supported one way or another. We have until February 12 to get the proposal in with funding sources for the match.

Professor Adams asked if our Proposal for a School of Law would be considered independently of UCI's proposal. Chair of Academic Council Cowan said it would be considered independently. CCGA thought that both proposals should be considered at the same time. It will be further discussed at the April Council meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE DEANS OR OTHER EXECUTIVE OFFICERS: Secretary- Parliamentarian L. Wright gave the Election Report as found on page 2a of the Call. Nominations from the floor for Representative to the Assembly were called for; none were received. A single vote was cast for the election of B. M. Dodin as Representative to the Assembly for a two year unexpired term.

SPECIAL ORDERS:

I. Consent Calendar: The Consent Calendar was adopted with unanimous consent.

II. Reports of Standing Committees:

A. Reports of the Standing Committees were placed on file.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND FACULTIES:

A. Executive Committee, College of Engineering Chair, M. Molle presented and moved adoption of the proposed change in the B.S. Degree in Electrical Engineering as found on page 15 of the Call. The motion was seconded and unanimously adopted.

B. Executive Committee, College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences member, J. C. Briggs, presented
and moved adoption of the proposed change in the Political Science Minor as found on page 16 of the Call. The Motion was seconded and unanimously adopted.

C. Executive Committee, College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences member J. C. Briggs, presented and moved adoption of the proposed change in the International Relations Minor as found on page 17 of the Call. The Motion was seconded and unanimously adopted.

D. Executive Committee, College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences member M. E. Adams presented and moved adoption of the proposed change in the degree requirements for the B.S. and B.A. degrees in Physics found on page 18 of the Call. The Motion was seconded and unanimously adopted.

E. Executive Committee, College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences member M. E. Adams presented and moved adoption of the proposed change in the degree requirements for the B.S. degree in Biomedical Sciences for the UCR/UCLA Program in Biomedical Sciences as found on page 19 of the Call. The Motion was seconded and unanimously adopted.

F. Executive Committee, College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences member M. E. Adams presented and moved adoption of the proposed change in the degree requirements for the B.S. and B.A. degrees in Biochemistry as found on page 23 of the Call. The Motion was seconded and unanimously adopted.

G. Executive Committee, College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences member M. E. Adams presented and moved adoption of the proposed change in the degree requirements for the B.S. and B.A. degrees in Biology as found on page 27 of the Call. The Motion was seconded and unanimously adopted.

H. Graduate Council Chair M. E. Adams, presented and moved adoption of the proposal for M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Mechanical Engineering as found on page 29 of the Call. The Motion was seconded and unanimously adopted.

NEW BUSINESS: Professor M. E. Adams, Chair of the Graduate Council addressed issues of Library Deficiency Concerns. He spoke of the inadequate resources of the Library and suggested that the Library be put on a program plan rather than deal with deficiencies after the fact. He called on the Senate to enlist a program to improve the resources for new programs and to support the growth of these programs so that the Library will grow along with the campus. The electronic age will have a tremendous impact and resources need to be planned for.

Chancellor Orbach thanked the Committee on Library for its input and concerns. He will encourage the deans to build library planning into their plans. The Executive Vice Chancellor will meet with the deans and the Librarian to continue the consultations and form liaisons with the colleges to keep informed of needs and how to best plan for the future.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

L. Wright, Secretary-Parliamentarian
Riverside Division of the Academic Senate

Marlene Odel
Recording Secretary