MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE RIVERSIDE DIVISION

MEETING: The Riverside Division of the Academic Senate met on Tuesday, February 17, 2004, at 2:10 p.m. in the Science Library Conference Room 240. Vice Chair Kenneth D. Barkin presided.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the Regular meeting of the November 18, 2003, meeting were approved as distributed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHANCELLOR: Chancellor Córdova gave an update on the various searches and announced that the candidate for the Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost position Ellen Wartella has accepted our offer and would take office beginning July 1, 2004. The other searches were all in mid way progress and decisions of quality candidates for the VCUA, VCR, Graduate Division Dean, Graduate School of Education Dean, and an interim Dean for CHASS should be identified by the end of March. She thanked the faculty for serving on the search committees and attributed the success to the diligence and dedication of those who are on the committees.

The Chancellor discussed the Governor’s budget and stated that the difficult part is how to pay for excellence in a time of change. Three budget forums were held and all were well attended by the faculty, staff, and students. Many good questions were asked which shows a genuine concern for the impact of the cuts. There are three critical bond measures on the March 2 ballot that are extremely important to UCR; Proposition 55, Prop. 57, and Prop. 58. She noted that both 57 and 58 would have to pass for Prop. 57 to take effect.

The major elements of the Budget are:

- Fall enrollment reduced by 10%
- A 5% cut in faculty – means a loss of 80 positions
- Fee increases – 10% for undergraduates and 40% for graduates
- 33% cut to financial aid
- Outreach programs cut
- UC Merced opening modified

This is our 50th year as a full fledged campus. Chancellor Córdova announced that the focus would be on student education: scholarships, endowment, academic programs, and teaching technology. She said there would be a public campaign to raise funds and the faculty will be asked to contribute to this campaign as well. The goal is to raise $50 million – 1 million dollars for each year of our anniversary.

There are three new initiatives devised by the faculty. Two very large proposals for new Science and Technology Centers, the Health Science Initiative and the UCR Palm Desert Campus which includes the Heckmann Center for Entrepreneurial Management. All of these initiatives pump renewed energy into the professorate.

The Regent’s will be visiting our campus on April 21/22. The Chancellor said she is confident we will show the Regents a great leap in the progress UCR has made and that this will be an excellent opportunity to discuss our aspirations and planning for the future.

In closing the Chancellor reminded the faculty of the March 5 Retreat and that it is an important follow-up to the October retreat. It may be one of the most important meetings of the entire year, as it will set our course for the future.
The Chancellor was asked how many years it would take to give up the 80 faculty positions and then to regain them. EVC & P Jury responded that there are no long range goals; hiring new faculty will slow down.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE INTERIM EXECUTIVE VICE CHANCELLOR AND PROVOST:** Dr. Jury gave a brief budget update. He announced that the budget process will involve G3 giving preliminary reduction targets to unit heads. The unit heads will obtain priorities from subunits. The budget summit will be used to present unit analysis and to discuss campus wide priorities. G3 will implement the cuts.

The budget principles are:

- To maintain areas of excellence
- To invest in selective areas
- To implement efficiency corrections as quickly as possible, and
- To develop and maintain a long-range enrollment management plan

**SPECIAL ORDERS:**

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

II. **Reports of Standing Committees:** Professor T. Close asked that Item L, the proposed name change from the UCR Genomics Institute to the UCR Institute of Integrative Genome Biology be moved to Item 10 on the agenda. It was so moved. The rest of the reports were accepted and placed on file.

**REPORT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ASSEMBLY:** There was no report as the Meeting of the Assembly was cancelled

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND FACULTIES:**

A. Professor L. Wright, acting for the Committee on Planning and Budget presented and moved adoption of the Policies and Procedures for Establishment and Review of Centers and ORUs. The motion was seconded and unanimously adopted.

B. Vice Chair of the Division Professor K. Barkin presented and moved adoption of the proposed UCR Policy on Endowed Chairs. The motions was seconded and unanimously adopted.

C. Professor Pierre Keller, Chair of the Graduate Council requested that the Proposal for a Joint Program of Graduate Study for the Doctorate of Education Degree (Ed.D.) in Leadership for Education be withdrawn from the agenda pending final review by the Graduate Council.

D. Professor T. Close opposed the adoption of the Renaming of the UCR Genomics Institute as he believed proper procedures were not followed in presenting the proposal. He made a motion to send the proposal back to the committees so that the procedures used could be further explored and a decision be made on whether there was a violation. Discussions followed and a vote was taken. There were 24 votes in favor and 9 opposed to returning the proposal to the Graduate Council, the Committee on Research, and the Committee on Planning and Budget for further review. The proposal will be reviewed and returned to the Division at a later time.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

L. Wright, Secretary-Parliamentarian