MEETING
The Riverside Division of the Academic Senate met on Tuesday, November 26, 2013 at 2:06 p.m. in the Genomics Auditorium Room 1102A. Chair J. Wudka presided. The meeting was attended by 47 members of the Riverside Division of the Academic Senate. The Chair of the University Academic Senate, William Jacob, attended as a guest.

MINUTES
The Minutes of the Special Meeting of November 4, 2013 were approved as presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT
There were no announcements by the President

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHANCELLOR AT RIVERSIDE
Chancellor Kim A. Wilcox addressed the Division. The Chancellor thanked the faculty for their part in making him feel welcome during his first three months at the campus and spoke of the glowing terms with which friends and colleagues recommended the university to him during his recruitment as Chancellor.

The Chancellor praised the faculty for their commitment to all aspects of university life, stressing that a university is only as good as its faculty and the quality of its teaching and research. The Chancellor stressed three key areas of university life in which UCR excels:

- Commitment to mentorship. Over half of undergraduate students are engaged in faculty-led research and discovery;
- Ownership of broader responsibility;
- Commitment to the values of the university.

The Chancellor discussed the need to take more calculated chances with the budget with the aim of receiving a greater return. The recruitment of a Vice Chancellor for Planning and Budget and a Vice Chancellor for Business and Administrative Services will assist with this. Further construction projects are planned, with the first priority being a multi-disciplinary research building. Overall, the Chancellor’s first impressions of the university are that it is a great university, but it needs to be, and can be, bigger.

The Chancellor then offered the Division the opportunity to ask questions.

The first question asked was about plans for buildings to be included in the expansion of the university. The Chancellor informed the Division that he is looking to create additional space for the School of Medicine and the School of Business Administration; that the University also needs a space to gather and hold commencement; and that the campus would benefit from reintroducing a Faculty Club.
The Chancellor was also asked to discuss what he believes he can do to make UCR a “great” university and what his thoughts are regarding AAU accreditation. The Chancellor responded that his goal is to see the faculty grow, but that growth must be done strategically with an initial emphasis placed on investing in areas with the greatest returns, such as research. He further opined that there also needs to be strategic growth of non-resident undergraduate students. The Chancellor stated the importance of looking to alternative revenue streams since UCR does not receive sufficient aid from alumni and local donors. Per the Chancellor, there are, however, several large foundations interested in supporting UCR’s strengths; particularly, our success in recruiting and retaining first-generation college students, our history of academic success with minority students, and our success as a university with a diverse student population. Finally, the Chancellor informed the Division that it was his goal not only for UCR to be invited to join the AAU, but to help shape the national conversation on the criteria AAU uses for its membership, in order to be more reflective of current academic developments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE VICE CHANCELLORS
There were no announcements by the Vice Chancellors

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE DEANS OR OTHER EXECUTIVE OFFICERS
There were no announcements by the Deans.

Chair Wudka called upon the Chair of the University Academic Senate, William Jacob, to address the Division.

Universitywide Academic Senate Chair Jacob provided the Division with an update on recent communications with President Janet Napolitano. The President has focused on her relationship with students, pledging $15million in one-time grants to support undocumented students, graduate student recruitment and post doctorate students. At her first meeting with University Regents, President Napolitano also pledged to: freeze tuition for another year while she explores a new tuition policy; amend Community College transfers and admissions; increase tech transfer; and make UC a net zero energy consumer by 2025. The proposed amendments to Community College transfers were issued without consultation with the Senate and in response the Senate is working with the President to assure the Senate is included in the consultative process as she continues to develop initiatives and in order to move them forward.

Chair Jacob provided the Division with an update on the most recent Regents meeting. This was the first meeting with the new President and the Governor. There were two key discussions raised at the meeting:
1. A presentation was made regarding graduate doctoral education. The Regents have requested the Senate provide them with solutions to the ongoing issues, and the Senate will be arranging a Systemwide meeting in the Spring to discuss possible solutions.
2. A presentation on the UC budget triggered a long conversation with the Governor and Speaker Perez regarding the state’s financial priorities. It was noted that the state has increased its contribution from $2.3bn to $2.6bn, while Senate faculty research brings in approximately $4bn in contracts and grants. Although there has been a 5% increase in funding, this only applies to approximately 40% of programs; therefore overall there has
only been a 2% increase in funding while expenses have increased 3%. This could reverse the trend of historically underrepresented groups being funded to attend UC campuses.

Chair Jacob informed the Division that throughout the day’s visit he attended several meetings on campus discussing UC Care, composite benefits and undergraduate enrollments, and he briefly updated the Division on the key points from those meetings:

- **UC Care:** the Academic Council tasked him with presenting a letter to President Napolitano raising concerns over the UC Care program.
- **Composite Benefits:** Chair Jacob has stressed to President Napolitano’s Chief of Staff the importance of shared governance to the UC system and the need to establish a mechanism for open conversation rather than relying on memos. The composite benefits issue was used as an example of the need for continual open conversations.
- **Enrollment management:** Chair Jacob has formed a discussion group featuring members of President Napolitano’s staff, along with senate members and state legislature representatives to discuss the issue. Although this discussion group will not be able to provide binding resolutions, it is his hope that their ideas will lead to more formal discussions.

Chair Jacob then spoke briefly on the topic of shared governance. The Senate’s concerns pre-date President Napolitano’s appointment and relate to the frustrations of the composite benefit rate issue and changes made to medical plans. In both of these situations the lack of true consultation caused significant concerns and issues for all Divisions. The role of the Senate therefore includes the need to ensure proper consultation occurs consistently, rather than UOCP’s interpretation, which often means the development of a policy and subsequent announcement to the Senate. Chair Jacob is urging all ten Divisional Senates to whenever possible produce joint Senate/Administrative documents to demonstrate to UCOP a shared position and to highlight the benefits of shared governance.

Chair Jacob then offered the Division the opportunity to ask questions. The first question asked was if he had any knowledge of the President looking for alternative Systemwide revenue sources away from the state, or if this would be a campus issue. Chair Jacob responded that the only initiative discussed so far was tech transfer; there have been no new philanthropic initiatives launched.

Chair Jacob was then asked if the UC Care program was likely to change for 2014, and what the Academic Senate was doing to promote the issue. Chair Jacob responded that the only formal memo so far sent by the Senate to President Napolitano was on the topic of UC Care. Chancellor Wilcox added to the response and informed the Division that UCOP believed it had offered campuses the opportunity for input in the planning phase and did not understand why so many objections have been raised at this late stage. Chancellor Wilcox assured the Division that he would continue to push UCOP for changes for UCR specifically. Professor Dan Hare, Chair of the University Committee on Faculty Welfare, informed the Division that all agreements in place only last one year, but they are set for 2014. Any changes for 2015 would have to be set by April 2014 in order for them to be available during the next Open Enrollment period.
Chair Jacob thanked the Division for inviting him to visit our campus and for the opportunity to speak to our faculty.

Chair Wudka again presided and called upon the Secretary Parliamentarian to provide the report on election results. The Secretary Parliamentarian informed the Division that the results of the elections could be found on page six of the meeting agenda.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR**
Chair Wudka informed the Division that on October 14, 2013 the Executive Council approved the merger of the Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication with the Committee on Academic Computing and Information Technology. The approval was made in lieu of the Division and as allowable per Bylaw 8.5.3 of the Riverside Division.

The Chair provided the Division with an update of the Special Division Meeting on November 4, 2013; namely that the minutes from the regular and annual meeting of the Division of May 28, 2013 had been approved, along with the proposed Master’s in Public Policy and a Divisional Resolution to the President regarding UC Care.

**SPECIAL ORDERS**
The Consent Calendar was unanimously approved.

The annual reports of standing committees, annual reports of the faculties, degree reports and regular reports of standing committees and faculties were received and placed on file.

**REPORT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ASSEMBLY**
The Chair provided a brief report on the Assembly Meeting of June 12, 2013:

- The Provost announced that the second round of submissions for the Instruction on Learning Technology Initiative has started. The first round of submissions is currently being evaluated.

- The Provost also announced an initiative to improve academic performance indicators which will be distributed to campuses in the near future.

- The Assembly approved changes to Regulation 478, as proposed by BOARS.

- The Assembly approved Mary Gilly as the Senate Vice-Chair and the appointment of the Secretary Parliamentarian.

- The Assembly approved changes to APM 014.

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**
There were no reports of Special Committees
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND FACULTIES
Professor Ward Beyermann introduced and moved for adoption the proposed changes to Bylaw 8.12.1, found on page 99 of the full agenda. Following a brief discussion, the Division received a motion to alter the proposed amendment to read “The membership shall include a representative from each of the Colleges. The Committee on Committees will make every attempt also to include representation from each of the Professional Schools.” This motion was adopted. The Division then approved the adoption of the amended motion.

Professor Ward Beyermann introduced and moved adoption of the proposed changes to the Priority Enrollment Policy, found on page 100 of the full agenda. The motion was adopted.

Professor Tamara Ho introduced and moved adoption of the proposed changes to Regulation HSR2.8.3 of the College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, found on page 101 of the full agenda. The motion was adopted.

PETITIONS OF STUDENTS
There were no petitions from the students.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
There was no unfinished business.

UNIVERSITY AND FACULTY WELFARE
There were no announcements relating to University and faculty welfare.

NEW BUSINESS
There was no new business.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

ATTEST:

P. Gorecki, Secretary-Parliamentarian
Riverside Division of the Academic Senate

Alastair Kay
Recording Secretary