MEETING
The Riverside Division of the Academic Senate met on Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at 2:15 p.m. in the Genomics Auditorium Room 1102A. Chair J. Wudka presided. The meeting was attended by 50 members of the Riverside Division of the Academic Senate.

MINUTES
The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 26, 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.

UC Riverside is one of eleven leading universities who are part of the University Innovations Alliance, a coalition that is developing programs to increase undergraduate success, particularly for low income and under-represented students. The Alliance is seeking funding from the Ford, Lumina and Gates Foundations, which have shown an interest in its work.

The Chancellor stressed that all great universities need to be constantly assessing themselves, and praised the work of the Graduation Rate Task Force which had created a list of 37 recommendations for the continued development of the campus.

President Napolitano has identified the University of California’s relationship with Mexico as a key strategic partnership for the coming years, and has invited UC Riverside to be the lead campus in this initiative.

The Chancellor has received the report from the Capital Programs review team and intends to move forward with the recommendations immediately. The review includes recommendations for accountability structures and how programs are funded.

The Office of the President has completed a systemwide campus climate survey. The report is due to be shared with the Regents on March 19, 2014 and will then be shared publically. The Chancellor praised the Campus Climate Task Force for their contribution and leadership.

The Chancellor then offered the Division the opportunity to ask questions. The Chancellor was asked if he will make the University Club a capital program priority. The Chancellor replied that he sees the value in having a membership club for faculty, but does not foresee investment in a new physical building. However, the Chancellor did explain that there has been space set aside in the Orbach Library for faculty reading and there will be social and meeting space set aside for faculty in the redevelopment of the Barn area.

The Chancellor was then asked to provide some background to the target of 25,000 students by 2020, particularly when the number of graduating high school students in California is decreasing. The Chancellor responded that the target is part of the long range development plan agreed upon
by the Regents and that although the number of high school graduates is declining, the demand for university places overall is increasing.

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 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 eight of the meeting agenda.

Chair Wudka then called upon the University Librarian, Steven Mandeville-Gamble to update the Division on the University’s Open Access Policy. Mr. Mandeville-Gamble explained that the movement towards Open Access is an attempt to redress the “gift-economy” that has become prevalent in the journal publishing industry, which costs universities billions of dollars per year for materials their faculty create. The Academic Senate approved an Open Access policy in July 2013, with an initial trial at San Francisco, Irvine and Los Angeles. The system is designed to ensure that campuses will have access to UC faculty-authored materials even if the UC does not subscribe to journals. By having an opt-out policy rather than opt-in, the university has a greater bargaining power when negotiating with publishers. The California Digital Library has been communicating with publishers informing them of the policy and has not yet received any negative responses.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR
Chair Wudka again presided and provided the Division with some brief administrative updates:
- The Senate is currently collecting feedback on healthcare options through an online survey and he encouraged Division members to participate.
- The search for the new Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost is progressing and is on schedule to meet the deadline of a summer appointment.
- The University has issued a new rebenching policy which is disadvantageous to UC Riverside but not as bad as it could have been.
- The University is now smoke-free and President Napolitano has announced that she hopes the University will be carbon neutral by 2025.

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
Professor Bahram Mobasher provided the Division with an update from the Assembly meeting on February 12, 2014.
- The Senate Chair provided a report on graduate doctoral education. More funding will be requested at the next Regent meeting in May 2014.
- UCOP is establishing an internal efficiency review to reduce travel, streamline reporting and cap staffing.
• The Council approved the Open Access Policy in July 2013.
• There is a shortage of Tier 1 hospitals in the UC Care program. The Health Care Task Force is fully engaged.
• The state government allocation of $10 million for funding towards online teaching will continue through 2014-15.
• The Climate Survey has been completed and will be presented to the Regents in March. The campuses are then charged with analyzing the report and providing recommendations.
• Tuition fees have been frozen. The President has promised $15 million in funding to graduate students, post-doctoral students and undocumented students.
• A new policy has been proposed on self-supporting programs and is under systemwide Senate review.
• The University is working with Community Colleges to prepare and support transfer students financially. Transfer and diversity rates are down.
• A report has been produced on the commercialization of research to further innovation on campuses.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES
There were no reports of Special Committees

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND FACULTIES
Professor Linda Walling introduced and moved for adoption of the proposed changes to Bylaw 8.4, found on page 39 of the full agenda. This motion was adopted with a vote of 40 in favor, zero against and one abstention.

Professor Christina Schwenkel introduced and moved adoption of the proposed changes to Bylaw 8.15.1, found on page 41 of the full agenda. The motion was adopted.

Professor Ken Barish introduced and moved adoption of the proposed changes to Bylaw 8.18.1, found on page 42 of the full agenda. Following a brief discussion, a motion was put forward to include the wording “additional members from other units may be appointed as appropriate.” The motion was adopted. The Division then voted on the adoption of the amended changes. This motion was adopted.

Professor Ameae Walker introduced and moved adoption of the proposed changes to the School of Medicine Bylaws, found on page 43 of the full agenda. The motion was adopted.

Professor Erica Edwards introduced and moved adoption of the proposed Science Fiction and Technoculture Minor, found on page 54 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
Chair Wudka provided a brief update to the Division on ongoing discussions relating to composite benefits and the payment of summer salaries.
NEW BUSINESS
There was no new business.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

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

Alastair Kay
Recording Secretary