Candidate for the position of ‘UCR Representative to the Assembly’
In the July, 2012 UCR Academic Senate Election

Self Statement for Tony Norman

What is the ‘Representative to the Assembly’?
First, it should be appreciated that the policy of our UC Academic Senate’s ‘shared governance’ has been operative for 130 years! This election is a part of that tradition.

The Academic Senate of the University of California is comprised of two components: (A) the federation of 10 Academic Senate Divisions, one for each UC campus; and (B) the Assembly of the Academic Senate. The primary difference in the responsibilities is that each campus Divisional Senate determines graduate student admission standards and takes final action (approval or denial) on all courses for its campus whereas the Assembly has final action on academic matters that affect more than one campus.

The UCR elected Representative to the Assembly has a two-fold responsibility; (a) to represent UCR’s Senate’s views to the Assembly and (b) to report the Assembly’s activities to the Division (at quarterly meetings) and to the Senate’s Executive Committee (monthly).

I have been a faculty member at UCR since 1963. Over the years I have become enamored with UC’s shared governance. Accordingly I have chosen to be a member and Chair of the following Senate committees: Academic Planning, CAP, Planning & Budget, Grad-Council, CNAS Executive Committee and Chair of the Division.

Accordingly, I feel well prepared to serve as our Representative to the Assembly.