



Notes From the Academic Senate Chair

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Dear UC Faculty Member – This spring the Council is working on three significant “fast-track” matters. First, the university-wide survey of faculty opinion on the labs is coming soon to your email inbox (see details at right). PLEASE VOTE WHEN YOU GET YOUR E-MAIL INVITATION.

Second, the California budget process is moving apace, and because there is so much at stake for UC, it is urgent that the Senate and all friends of the University take action. The Academic Council has adopted a [resolution](#) on the budget crisis, which will be sent to the Assembly for approval in May. We hope faculty will use it to remind their friends in business and technology, and anyone they know who has benefited from UC’s outstanding healthcare facilities, how valuable UC is to the wellbeing of California, and to encourage them in turn to pass a strong message of support on to their friends or contacts in the government. The Governor’s budget, subject to a “May revise,” will be before the Legislature in late May. It will be very important for friends of UC from all sectors to speak on our behalf in these difficult budget times. HELP WIDEN THE CIRCLE OF INFLUENCE AND LET OTHERS KNOW HOW CRUCIAL UC IS TO CALIFORNIA’S FUTURE.

Third, the California Postsecondary Education Commission (CPEC) analysis of the state’s recent high school graduates will be released soon. Current estimates are that UC is admitting from a pool larger than the top 12.5% of high school graduates called for in 1960 Master Plan for Higher Education. The Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools (BOARS) will review the report, and in conjunction with UC administration, will consider different criteria that would bring UC’s admissions to the proper Master Plan level. [BOARS’](#) recommendations for UC admissions policies, once approved by the Academic Council and the Assembly, will be forwarded to the Regents in July. BOARS will continue to be very busy in the coming year as they consider the recommendations referred to them by the [President’s Study Group on Eligibility and Admissions](#), whose report will be released soon.

I’ll mention two other current, but more moderately paced, activities on which I invite your input. The Academic Council is preparing a recommendation that President Dynes initiate a substantial review of UC’s Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources (DANR), which shepherds UC efforts in agricultural and natural resources teaching, research, community

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Electronic Survey of Faculty on Question of Lab Management

From May 3 through May 14 the Senate will conduct an electronic survey of all Academic Senate members on the question of whether UC *should compete to manage* the Los Alamos National Laboratory and the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. The more respondents, the more useful the results, so please participate!

It’s easy. Open the email you will receive from the UCSF Academic Senate with the subject “UC Faculty Survey on the National Labs”; click on the link to the survey and follow instructions for responding to a set of questions. The survey includes a section at the end for comments.

It’s quick. It takes about 5 minutes to complete.

It’s reliable. Responses are confidential and the tallying system is secure.

It’s worthwhile. The survey is designed to capture nuances of opinions; it’s not just a yes or no vote. The results will be shared with the faculty and, at their request, with the Regents as an indication of where the faculty stand on this important matter.

Want More Information on Lab Issues?

A set of informational [white papers](#) is available online to provide faculty with background on the national labs. Topics include a historical overview of the labs, rationales for and against managing the labs, academic freedom and classified research, and others.

Campus Discussions

Several Divisional Senates are hosting or already have held meetings and discussion forums to promote faculty input on the question of UC’s future relationship with the national labs.

Berkeley - Panel Discussion moderated by Michael Krasny, April 21, 7-9 p.m. Discussion and Q&A session with George Blumenthal, Chair of Academic Council’s Subcommittee on the National Labs, as part of the spring [Meeting of the Berkeley Division](#), April 29, 3-5 p.m.

Davis - Current online [discussion forum](#), and an informal [Town Hall](#) meeting, April 22, 3-5 p.m.

San Diego - Current online [discussion forum](#), leading up to discussion at the April 27 meeting of the UCSD Legislative Assembly.

See also reportage on: the [April 5th public debate](#) held at **Berkeley** (with transcripts); the April 6th **UCLA** Senate-sponsored [Town Hall meeting](#) on “The Future Role of the University of California in the Management of the National Laboratories;” and **Santa Barbara’s** [Faculty Town Hall Meeting](#), “UC and the National Laboratories,” held on April 20.

UPDATES AND EVENTS

- ▶ **Assembly Meeting** – On May 12, 2004 the Assembly of the Academic Senate will meet on the UCLA campus from 10-4. Check the Senate web site later this month for the full [Assembly agenda](#).
- ▶ See the web site of last fall’s [Joint Senate Committee Forum on Academic Freedom](#) for complete coverage of the forum,
- ▶ [Amendment to SB 335](#) (implementation of whistleblower policies): approved by the Assembly on March 10.
- ▶ The Academic Council has forwarded to the President a [statement on the State’s Proposed Surcharge for Excess Units](#).
- ▶ The Academic Council has forwarded to the Provost a [Recommendation on the Alignment of Campus Calendars](#).
- ▶ The Academic Assembly approved [amendments to Senate Bylaw 192.B3 and to Senate Regulation 636](#) which reflect a name change of what were formerly the “Subject A” requirement and the “Subject A” examination.

Provost King's Farewell Remarks

C. Judson King, Provost and Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs

I want to begin by recognizing the person who is the true secret behind whatever I may have accomplished. Jeanne is my wife of 47 years, 41 of them at UC and 37 of them in academic administration. She has been my constant source of support, good sense, sanity and relief!

My entire career has been spent with the University of California, since Jeanne and I arrived in Berkeley in January of 1963. That was truly an ancient time – a year and a half before the Free Speech Movement.

In my somewhat over 41 years with UC, I have been through the ranks of Assistant, Associate and full Professor, have been vice chair of a department for five years, chair for nine, dean of a college for six years, provost for professional schools and colleges for seven years, Vice Provost for Research at the system level for one year, and now Provost and Senior Vice President for almost nine years.

It has been a wonderful experience, which I wouldn't trade for anything. The University of California has provided the ideal atmosphere for development of an academic career, for teaching and research, and for achieving a reputation in my field. It has also provided an ideal situation for academic administration at all levels, and for getting to know and understand a truly great and multi-dimensional faculty.

What is it that makes the University of California so special? First, there are one's colleagues. There are absolutely top-notch faculty, across all fields. They are outstanding consultants in any field that may be pertinent to your own activities, and they provide much intellectual stimulation. So do the exceptionally strong graduate students, who are drawn here by the stature of the faculty, and the undergraduates, who are also outstanding by virtue of the 12 ½ % criterion of the California Master Plan. With its resource base and exceptional intellectual value system and reputation, the University of California provided a wonderful launching pad for federal and

industrial research support – which in my case included the very helpful avenue of the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, a national lab next door to the Berkeley campus. At UC you are truly in a situation where you are limited only by your own creativity and ingenuity. Finally, we are the research university of the largest, greatest and most dynamic state, and we have the strong interactions with all the rest of the state that go with that, bringing major benefits to both the university and the state.

It all goes together in an intricate structure of quality, effectiveness and success. And if any part of that structure is harmed or removed, all parts are harmed.

That is why the present budgetary situation is so serious and challenging. If UC changes such that those resources, that climate, those faculty or those students are not there, it all goes down together to the great detriment of the State. Faculty will not be attracted, and therefore the best students will not be attracted, the reputation suffers, faculty are even less attracted, and so forth.

The Regents, the administration and the Academic Senate all have to work together preserve and enhance this institution and to make sure that this scenario does not happen. Our valued tradition of shared governance provides us a vehicle to do so. It works!

The potential role of The Regents here is large, larger than it may seem. Regents have been given a public trust. Regents are known to speak their minds. They get much more attention in the media than do provosts (thank goodness!). Regents know the university and can draw conclusions as to what is needed for it to thrive. Regents have the ultimate approval on the most important issues that face the university, and their actions are noticed. Our public trust is important and it is in danger. Working together, we need all do what we can to preserve and enhance it.

It has been a pleasure to serve.

UCSF Senate Plays Integral Role in New Mission Bay Campus Planning

- Michael LaBriola

Remarkable not only for its scope and its key role in UCSF's Long Range Development Plan, the Mission Bay project also serves to set a new standard for collaborative campus planning among faculty, staff and administration. Click [here](#) to read more about how this stronger role for the UCSF Senate was established.

Sending Items or Conducting Research Abroad? See this [Important Notice](#) on Federal Licensing Requirements

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education, and consulting. This is such a large and prominent program, which also has been adversely affected by California's budget woes, that the Senate feels a careful consideration of DANR's current and future plans is needed to ensure that UC and the State have the most effective programs in these vital arenas. If you have any suggestions for topics or questions that should be considered by a review panel, please let me know (lawrence.pitts@ucop.edu).

Also, the Academic Council's [Special Committee on Scholarly Communication](#) (SCSC) will begin deliberations shortly. I'd very much like to hear from those journal editors and editorial board members among you as we try to formulate UC's future in journal and monograph publishing. I'm sure there will be questions that arise that can be best answered after consultations with faculty who have experience in this arena and who have good ideas as to how we should change in the next few years.

Finally, on the occasion of his retirement, the Academic Council formally commended Jud King for his long and excellent career service to UC. We are pleased to publish his farewell remarks (see above).

Under Senate Review

Unless otherwise noted, send comments to your [Divisional Chair](#) or relevant [Divisional Committee](#). Response date for comments follows listing.

- ▶ Amendment to [APM 137-20-C](#) – Non-Senate Academic Appointees/Term Appointment (5/16/04)
- ▶ Revised [APM 260](#) – University Professor (6/16/04)
- ▶ Amendments to [APMs 278, 279, 210-6, 133-0](#) – Salaried Clinical Professor Series and Community Health Professor Series (6/10/04)
- ▶ [Proposed Amendments to the Senate Bylaws](#) – For approval at the May 12 Assembly

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