To the Faculty Legislature, Santa Barbara Division:

The Committee on Rules, Jurisdiction and Elections (RJE) provides clarification and interpretation of Senate legislation and Divisional procedures. It also exercises formal supervision over Senate elections and proposed modifications to the Senate manual, prior to action by the Faculty Legislature. Business is generally conducted via email.

2012-13 Divisional Election

In consultation with RJE, the Academic Senate Office conducted its annual nomination process in an effort to seek candidates for the election of three Assembly Representatives and four members of the Committee on Committees. While a total of 6 faculty members were nominated for the position of Assembly Representative, none of them received all five of the endorsements required for participation in a Senate election. The Committee on Committees will therefore appoint faculty to fill the three open Assembly positions the 2013-14 academic year.

Professor Cynthia Stohl was the sole candidate nominated from Area B (Social Science and Gevirtz Graduate School of Education) to serve on the Committee on Committees (COC). Given that she received all 5 endorsements and was unopposed by any other candidate, she was appointed as a member of COC, effective September 1, 2013.

Of the three remaining open positions two were in Area A (Mathematical, Life and Physical Sciences and Bren School of Environmental Science and Management) and one was in Area C (Humanities and Fine Arts and College of Creative Studies). These positions will be filled by COC appointment.

Addition of Regulation 330 to the Senate Manual

RJE granted prior endorsement for a new regulation to be added to the Divisional Senate Manual in the event that the proposed establishment of a new graduate degree program was granted final approval. The program has been established, and the proposed regulation has been approved by the Faculty Legislature. Once a few remaining details related to implementation of the new degree program have been finalized, the following text will be added to Chapter III, Section 2 of the Divisional Regulations.

330. Requirements for the Master of Technology Management (M.T.M.)

A. The provisions of Divisional Regulations 250 through 300 shall apply.

B. Completion of a minimum of 42 quarter units of course work approved by the faculty of the Technology Management Program.

C. Completion of an integrative capstone project acceptable to the student’s master’s committee.
Proposed Revision of Regulation 350D.2 and 300B.1

RJE was asked to review a proposal to revise Divisional Regulation 350D.2, which governs the composition of doctoral committees. The request was intended to allow Lecturers with Security of Employment and Potential Lecturers with Security of Employment to serve on doctoral committees at departmental discretion rather than as an exception requiring prior approval by the Graduate Council. The adoption of this change would also have required a similar revision of Regulation 300B.1. Finding no other lack of compliance with Senate legislation, RJE granted preliminary endorsement for both revisions to be presented to the Faculty Legislature. However, since the Graduate Council was unable to resolve outstanding concerns about the proposal, this item was tabled until Fall 2013.

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