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ACADEMIC SENATE MEMBERS

**RE: Chancellor Blumenthal's Stewardship Review**

Dear Colleagues:

At five-year intervals after their initial appointments, the President asks the Academic Senate to conduct a stewardship review of sitting chancellors. I write to request your participation in Chancellor Blumenthal's five-year stewardship review. The review is an evaluation of the Chancellor's leadership qualities as members of the Senate have perceived them over the review period. It is not a performance review, which is conducted annually by the President for each Chancellor. Instead, the stewardship review provides the President and the Chancellor with important feedback from the unique perspective of a wide range of members of the Academic Senate on the Chancellor's leadership strengths and areas for improvement.

All members of the Santa Cruz division of the Academic Senate are invited to submit confidential letters for consideration by the *ad hoc* committee that will conduct the stewardship review. Your comments on Chancellor Blumenthal's leadership and decision making ability, administrative and managerial skills, and the ability to represent the campus will be especially valuable.

I invite you to submit letters to the confidential email box at the systemwide Senate office [ucscchancellor.review@ucop.edu](mailto:ucscchancellor.review@ucop.edu) ( or snail mail: c/o Martha Winnacker, Executive Director, 1111 Franklin St., 12<sup>th</sup> floor, Oakland, CA 94607) by January 21, 2013. While all letters are confidential, if the Chancellor requests copies, the letters will be redacted to remove identifying information such as letterhead or signature block, but the text of the letters will not be revised to remove identifying information. On our Senate web site please refer to the *Criteria for the Guidance of the Chancellorial Review Committees* as a guide to the qualities to be considered. Also posted on the division's web site is a report from Chancellor Blumenthal including his reflections on the past five years, the current state of the campus, and vision for the future. See: <http://senate.ucsc.edu/archives/chancellor-blumenthal-stewardship-review/index.html>

The system of shared governance gives faculty, through the Academic Senate, a voice in the operation of the University. I urge you to participate in shared governance of the University by providing your assessment of Chancellor Blumenthal's leadership. The quality of the review will be greatly enhanced if a broad cross-section of faculty contributes their views.

We look forward to your counsel.

Sincerely,



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