Report of the Representative to the Assembly of the Academic Senate

TO: Academic Senate, Santa Cruz Division:

President’s Report - Robert Dynes
Announcements from President included comments on Livermore Lab which will continue under UC management, campus security and student mental health will be strengthened, student loan practices audit has yielded no sign of irregularities at UC, attempts to cut UC costs through operational efficiency are underway, academic planning processes continue, faculty salary issues will be presented to the Regents at the next meeting and funding of UC retirement.

Senate Chair Report - John Oakley
The chair discussed protocols for running the meeting.

Election of Vice Chair
Professor William Coles (San Diego) was elected Vice-Chair for 2007-08 and Chair for 2008-09.

Senate Bylaw 16
Amendment to by-law 16 formalized the duties of the position of the Executive Director who links the Office of the President and the Academic Senate. This passed by unanimous consent.

At-Large Committee Members
Three additional at-large committee members (appointed by the Committee on Committees) were added to the Library Committee and the name was changed to be Library and Scholarly Communications.

Committee on Affirmative Action and Diversity
The UC representative of the Committee on Affirmative Action and Diversity was added to the Academic Council. There was one abstention and all others were in favor.

Mercer Consultant Report Recommendation
The slotting of administrative salaries on campuses into tiers as recommended by the Mercer Consultant Report was rejected by the Assembly and a resolution to this effect will go to the President for communication to the Regents. This passed by a large majority.

RE 89 – Proposed Restriction of Research Funding from the Tobacco Industry
Policy Restricting University Acceptance of Funding from Tobacco Industry was discussed and rejected by a large majority.

Respectfully Submitted;
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ASSEMBLY

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