

April 8, 2025

MEMBERS OF THE REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE, SAN DIEGO DIVISION

SUBJECT: April 15, 2025 Representative Assembly Meetings

Dear Colleagues:

The next regular Representative Assembly meeting of the 2024-25 academic year is scheduled for Tuesday, April 15 from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., in the Garren Auditorium of the [Biomedical Sciences Building](#) (1st floor). A second, special Representative Assembly meeting is scheduled to occur immediately after – from 5:15 to 6:30 p.m. in the same meeting location.

All Senate members are welcome to attend both meetings. If you are a Senate member who is not an Assembly Representative and you plan to attend one or both meetings, please RSVP to the Academic Senate Office at academicsenateoffice@ucsd.edu.

- For the regular meeting, we ask meeting participants to arrive by 3:15 so we may begin promptly at 3:30.
- For the special meeting, we ask meeting participants to arrive by 5:00 so we may begin promptly at 5:15.

The *Notice of Meeting* (agenda) and all pertinent documents for both meetings are available on the following webpages.

- (1) On the Senate's homepage under Assembly/Council Meetings, on the lower right side of the page. <http://senate.ucsd.edu>
- (2) On the Representative Assembly-Schedule page. <http://senate.ucsd.edu/committees/representative-assembly/schedule>

About the Regular Representative Assembly Meeting (3:30 to 5:00 p.m.)

Chancellor Khosla and EVC Simmons will address Assembly, Professor Emeritus Joel Dimsdale will provide a retirement briefing, Director of the LGBT Resource Center Maribel Gomez and HS Associate Clinical Professor of Family Medicine Julie Çelebi will share information about the LGBT Resource Center and gender-affirming care, and an update will be provided on the interim campus policies related to permissible conduct on campus. In addition, the following proposals will be presented:

- Scripps Institution of Oceanography proposal to change the name of UC San Diego's *Graduate School of Marine Sciences* to *School of Marine, Earth, and Atmospheric Sciences*
- Department of Astronomy and Astrophysics proposal to change the name of the *PhD in Astronomy* to *PhD in Astronomy and Astrophysics*

I ask that you please review the meeting materials in advance of the meeting and send questions to academicsenateoffice@ucsd.edu with the agenda topic number in the email

subject line by noon on Friday, April 11. Your questions will be shared with the presenters so that they may be prepared to discuss them in advance.

About the Special Representative Assembly Meeting (5:15 to 6:30 p.m.)

The Academic Senate received a request on April 1 from our Senate faculty colleagues to hold a special Representative Assembly meeting to consider an Academic Senate response and actions to: 1. Help Safeguard Our Students and Faculty; and 2. Stand Up for Free Speech and Academic Freedom.

Per San Diego Divisional Bylaw 82, a special meeting must be scheduled within two weeks of receipt of the request. Scheduling the special meeting after the regular Assembly allows for timely consideration of our colleagues' request.

Attendance for Representative Assembly Members and Alternates

Primary Representatives and Alternate Representatives should coordinate their attendance and voting for the regular and special meetings. Both may attend; however, Alternate Representatives may only vote in the absence of the Primary Representative. Please coordinate who will attend each meeting and cast votes in advance. Your participation matters.

If you have questions about the April 15 meetings, please email academicsenateoffice@ucsd.edu. I look forward to seeing you on April 15.

Sincerely,

Olivia A. Graeve

Chair

Academic Senate, San Diego Division