

June 22, 2022

Jessica Cattelino
Chair, UCLA Academic Senate

Re: Executive Board Special Committee on the Campus Response to the Climate Crisis (CCRCC)

Dear Chair Cattelino,

At the June 2, 2022, meeting of the Executive Board (EB), members reviewed your proposal for EB to charge a special committee on the campus response to the climate crisis as a pilot during the 2022-23 academic year. EB members would assess its efficacy and any next steps in spring 2023. You noted that the proposal was in response to the ongoing climate crisis and the proposed Memorial to the Regents on fossil fuel emissions. Further, your letter indicated a growing number of UC divisional Senates are establishing similar committees, and the systemwide Senate has an ad hoc working group.

After discussion, members voted unanimously in favor of the proposal and the following Charge:

A) This special committee shall consist of three members of the Executive Board and two ordinary members of the Division selected by the Chair in consultation with the Executive Board and the Committee on Committees.

B) This special committee shall have the following duties:

1. Confer with and advise the Executive Board on matters pertaining to the climate crisis impacts and mitigation on campus, related policy proposals, educational programs addressing the climate crisis, and climate crisis research.
2. Study data on the climate crisis impacts of campus activities.
3. Develop recommendations for climate-related changes to campus policy and practice, and review campus response to climate crisis.
4. Promote efforts to increase the campus response to the climate crisis in the curriculum and research, with a focus on activities under faculty purview.
5. Designate representative(s) to serve on relevant UC systemwide committees, and report to the Executive Board on systemwide climate crisis actions and conversations.
6. Designate a representative to sit on relevant campus committees, and report to the Executive Board on that committee's actions and deliberations.

Sincerely,
Andrea Kasko

Vice Chair/ Chair Elect
UCLA Academic Senate

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Cc: April de Stefano, Executive Director, UCLA Academic Senate
Shane White, Immediate Past Chair, UCLA Academic Senate