Executive Council Minutes
October 5, 2026

Present
Ken Barish, Division Chair
Jonathan Eacott, Senate Division Vice Chair
Siyang Xiong, Secretary/Parliamentarian
Marcus Kaul, Senior Assembly Representative
Agnieszka Jaworska, Preparatory Education
Anthea Kraut, Committee on Committees
Anupama Dahanukar, Research
Boerge Hemmerling, Committee on Information Technology
Brian Siana, Committee on Physical Resources Planning
Liz Przybylski, Planning and Budget
Worku Nida for Jennifer Najera, Committee on Educational Policy
Richard Hooley, Committee on Graduate Council
Shaun Bowler, Committee on Academic Personnel
Jerayr Haleblian, BUS - Faculty Executive Committee
Kinnari Atit, SOE - Faculty Executive Committee
Kurt Schwabe, SPP - Faculty Executive Committee
Quinn McFrederick, CNAS - Faculty Executive Committee
Rachel Wu, CHASS - Faculty Executive Committee
Vagelis Hristidis, BCOE - Faculty Executive Committee

Cherysa Cortez, Executive Director

Absent
Adam Godzik, SOM - Faculty Executive Committee
Jennifer Najera, Committee on Educational Policy
Kelly Huffman-Neal, Undergraduate Admissions
Laura Sales, Committee on Faculty Welfare
Michelle Raheja, Committee on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Guests
Agam Patel, Executive Director - Student Support & Advocacy
Denise Woods, Vice Chancellor for Health, Well-being & Safety
Jeff Talbott Director of Campus Safety Services - Chief of Police
Ken Baerenklau, Associate Provost and Accreditation Liaison Officer
Kritika Gupta, Research and Evaluation Manager

I. Consent Calendar
Chair Barish welcomed members after which the consent calendar was approved.

II. Executive Council 2026-2027 Conflict of Interest Statement
The conflict-of-interest statement was approved unanimously.

III. Chair's Announcements
Updates and information regarding local and systemwide items were provided by Chair Barish and discussed among the membership. Topics included local and systemwide budget matters, the September Regents meeting, campus admissions and enrollment, campus shared governance and related meetings

with campus administration.

IV. GUEST: Ken Baerenklau, Associate Provost and Accreditation Liaison Officer
Updates and information regarding UCR's October 28-30, 2026 accreditation visit from WASC/WSCUC were provided by Ken Baerenklau and discussed among participants. UCR expects to close out this cycle in February 2026 with the accreditor decision and report.

VI. Chair's Announcements (continued)
Chair Barish continued and wrapped up with local and systemwide updates and information including brief roundup of items currently in review locally and systemwide.

V. Executive Council Roundtable
Members provided and discussed updates and information from their respective committees.
Council discussed campus enrollment growth, student housing, building maintenance, preparations for campus and individual school accreditation, and concerns around research and teaching assistant funding.

VI. GUESTS: Denise Woods, Vice Chancellor for Health, Well-being & Safety, Kritika Gupta, Research and Evaluation Manager, Agam Patel, Executive Director - Student Support & Advocacy, Jeff Talbott Director of Campus Safety Services - Chief of Police
Council's guests made a presentation and discussed with Council data from the UCR wellness surveys for both current and incoming students; and campus safety.

Opened: 1:01 PM
Adjourned: 3:03 PM
Approved: October 26, 2026

Cherysa Cortez, Executive Director