


**UC RIVERSIDE** UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA | **Academic Senate**  
**COMMITTEE ON RULES AND JURISDICTION**

April 25, 2017

To: Dylan Rodríguez, Chair  
Riverside Division

From: Kambiz Vafai   
Chair, Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction

Re: Voting Rights and Privileges of Emeritae/i Faculty

The Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction considered your inquiry and replies as follows:

UCR Senate bylaw 55 states that emeritae/i "do not have the right to vote on departmental matters, except as provided in this Article D." However, UCR Senate bylaw 1.2, which defines the membership of the Riverside division, and [UCR Standing Order 105](#), which defines the organization of the Senate both state: "Membership does not lapse because of leave of absence or transfer to emeritus status. (Am 24 May 2005)."

R&J's interpretation is that Emeritae/i faculty are allowed to vote on any motion regarding the division as a whole, e.g. at the division meetings and also in SOBA's executive committee. But there are limits on their voting when it comes to departmental matters, especially personnel.