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# Message from the Chair

#### **Robert Newcomer, PhD**

Dear Colleagues,

As the 2011-13 Chair of the UCSF Academic Senate, I look forward to working with all of you on the challenges we expect in the coming year. Some of the known challenges include campus budget adjustments due to reductions in State funding, additional expenses arising from the increasing costs of payments into the retirement system, and ongoing capital improvements such as seismic upgrades to campus buildings. Campus and UC Systemwide efforts to address these issues prompted seeking operational efficiencies and new sources of revenue. Constrained funding has also raised concerns about how to improve transparency, equity, flexibility, and adaptability for each campus.

My expectation is that the Academic Senate will continue to partner with UCSF leadership to find workable solutions for these issues. We will also collaborate to refine initiatives, such as the new preaward grant administration structure, and enhancements to campus information technology, such as iMedRIS, as they are implemented. The Chancellor and her leadership team have demonstrated creative problem solving abilities. Their work highlights a willingness to innovate and a desire for timely change. To most effectively participate in the changes on campus and in the UC System, the Academic Senate will continue to provide timely engagement and efficient responses to requests for participation. I will endeavor to help us achieve both of these objectives.

For more information about the Senate, I encourage you to speak with colleagues who are active in the Academic Senate, visit our website <u>http://senate.ucsf.edu</u>, or send me a message at <u>academic.senate@ucsf.edu</u>.

Sincerely,

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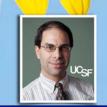
Robert Newcomer, PhD Chair, UCSF Academic Senate, 2011-2013

# THEACADEMICSENATE

FACULTY RESEARCH LECTURE CLINICAL SCIENCE

Immunotherapy for Prostate Cancer: Fact or Fiction?

Eric J. Small, M.D. Professor, and Chair Division of Hematology and Oncology, School of Medicine Deputy Director, Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center



#### OCT24**COLEHALL**3;30PM SIMULCAST TO MISSION BAY AND MT. ZION CAMPUSES

#### **Important Dates and Times**

September 26:	Leadership Retreat, 12p-3p, Golden Gate Room, Millberry Union
October 14:	Course Action Deadline for Winter '12
October 24:	Faculty Research Lecture for Clinical Science, Eric J. Small MD, 3:30p, Cole Hall
November 7:	Coordinating Committee, S-30, 2p-4p

## **Committee Minute: Academic Planning & Budget**

**Committed to the Financial Fitness of UCSF** 

The Committee on Academic Planning & Budget (APB) is charged with conferring with and advising the Chancellor and Administrative officers on policy and matters regarding budgets, resource allocation, academic planning, physical planning, and general assignment of teaching space. Additionally, APB is responsible for initiating studies with regard to budget and planning on proposed activities that would significantly impact the academic and research mission of the campus as a whole or any two of the Schools. APB serves as the primary liaison to the other committees of the Division, Chancellor-appointed committees and Faculty Council of the Schools on matters related to budget, resource allocation, academic planning, and physical planning.

This year, the Committee is chaired by Mary Gray and will continue to review and comment on proposed budget cuts, changes to the Development Office Funding Model, changes to the IT Funding Model, and the rebenching efforts.

For more information visit the Committee's <u>website</u>, accessible from the <u>Senate Home Page</u> > <u>Academic Planning &</u> <u>Budget</u>.



Shilpa Patel, JD Senior Analyst

#### Focus ON: Shilpa Patel

November will mark Shilpa's eighth year with the UCSF Academic Senate. The work of the Senate evoked positive memories of her time working with the Associate Vice Chancellor of Information Technology at UC Davis (where she matriculated with a BS in Biological Sciences). After being admitted to the California State Bar in 2004, she continued her service to the Senate and found ways to incorporate her science and legal backgrounds into her daily life making her career with UCSF that much more rewarding. Shilpa currently staffs Academic Freedom, Equal Opportunity, Library and Scholarly Communication, Privilege and Tenure, Rules & Jurisdiction, and the School of Dentistry Faculty Council.

Shilpa is a native of the Bay Area and a resident of San Francisco. When she is not embarking on new adventures in the City, Shilpa can be found teaching cooking classes, spending time with her family, playing Scrabble, and contemplating the next stamp in her passport. She can be reached at <a href="mailto:shilpa.patel@ucsf.edu">shilpa.patel@ucsf.edu</a>

### **The Incoming Class**

The Academic Senate Welcomes Incoming Chairs to the 2011-2012 Academic Year

Abbey Alkon Educational Policy

Mohana Amirtharajah Academic Freedom

Linda Chafetz Privilege and Tenure

Jyu-Lin Chen Nursing Faculty Council

Patrick Finley Rules and Jurisdiction

Paul Garcia Academic Personnel Mary Gray Academic Planning and Budget

**Stefan Habelitz** Dentistry Faculty Council

Roland Henry Committee on Committees

Anthony Hunt Courses of Instruction

Grayson Marshall Faculty Welfare

Maxwell Meng Clinical Affairs Judith Moskowitz Research

Bob Nissenson Medicine Faculty Council

Norman Oppenheim Pharmacy Faculty Council

Eliseo Perez-Stable Equal Opportunity

Robert Raffai Graduate Council

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