

University Committee on Academic Governance

Draft Minutes

April 23, 2026



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Present: Elizabeth (Liz) Gardner, Teresa Cuellar, Julia Ezzo, Nick Reynolds, Diana Bello DeOcampo, Rich Bellon, Arthur Versluis, Christopher Maxwell, Daniel Kramer, Jane Bunnell, Martin Crimp, Laura MacDonald, Nic Heilman, Saleem Alhabash, Mary Juzwik, Rick Hallgren

Absent: Tony Pham, Suriya Feto, Brittany Atkins, Frank Ravitch, , Aesha Zakaria, Jordan Knepper, John-Marc, N. Bari Olivier, Jiying Ling, Stacia Moroski-Rigney, Shawnee Vickery, Shina Alade

A regular meeting of the University Committee on Academic Governance was held on April 23, 2026 at 3:15 pm via Zoom with Chairperson Gardner presiding. The agenda was approved as written. The minutes of the March 26, 2026 meeting were approved as written.

Remarks

Secretary for Academic Governance Cuellar thanked UCAG for their work this year.

Chairperson Gardner noted that this was her last meeting as Chair and member of UCAG. She expressed her appreciation for the work this past year and work done by the Vice Chair and Secretary to help ensure things moved smoothly. She will serve as an At-Large Member of Steering starting in the fall.

Returning Business

Chair Gardner led the election process for Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary per the bylaws. Diana Bello-DeOcampo was nominated and approved as Chair. Julia Ezzo was nominated and approved as Vice Chair. Position of Secretary tabled until next year.

New Business

Chair Gardner noted that the process to review college bylaws for the five-year review needs to be updated for the 2026-2027 year. An ad hoc committee to create a process and guidelines over the summer was formed. Chair Gardner, Vice Chair Bello-DeOcampo, Secretary Ezzo, and Nic Heilman volunteered.

Appreciation and thanks to those whose terms are ending: Chris Maxwell, Marty Crimp, Daniel Kramer, Rich Bellon, and Rick Hallgren.

Comments from the Floor

None

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Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:29 p.m.

Julia Ezzo
Secretary for UCAG

Approved: