



UC Santa Cruz

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Staff Advisor's to the Regents Visit – March 12th

UC Staff Advisors to the Regents, Bill Johansen and Ed Abeyta, participated in an open forum and discussion with staff, describing their role advising the Regents and their projects concerning the welfare of staff. The Staff Advisory Board also had the opportunity to meet with Bill and Ed later that day at a reception held by the Assistant Chancellor.

SAB Members and Supervisors Lunch with the Chancellor – April 2nd

The Chancellor invited the Staff Advisory Board and their supervisors to a luncheon at the University House. This provided supervisors an opportunity to learn more about the role of Staff Advisory Board and CUCSA. Chancellor Blumenthal expressed his overwhelming support for the work being done both locally and system wide.

Quarterly Meeting with the Chancellor – April 21st

At the quarterly meeting with the Chancellor, new ideas were discussed on how to open up questions from all staff at the Chancellor's forums, thus avoiding certain groups dominating the limited time allocated for questions. In another discussion, about the SRDP awards becoming base building, the Chancellor suggested that this issue be raised with all the UC Chancellor's as well as the CHRO's. Other topics discussed were the SAB newsletter, the new design for the Thumb's Up Awards and the logistics of the Staff Appreciation Picnic.

Retirement forum with Gary Schlimgen – April 22nd

Gary Schlimgen, UC's Director of Retirement Programs, presented information and answered questions on the status of the UC Retirement System. The Academic Senate Committee on Faculty Welfare and the Campus Welfare Committee, which includes SAB members, jointly sponsored the well-attended forum.

Staff Appreciation Picnic – May 12th

The annual Staff Appreciation Picnic sponsored by the Chancellor's office and organized by the Staff Advisory Board was a huge success. Staff enjoyed great Mexican food, music provided by staff musicians who played together just for this event, raffle prizes, group tabling, and a great opportunity to spend time with staff from all over campus.

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