The Votes Are In . . .
The votes have been counted and the 2015-16 Executive Board of the UCSF Staff Assembly has been elected! Below is the new board, effective July 1, 2015:

- Chair – Jillian Maliszewski
- Chair-Elect – Artemio Cardenas
- Immediate Past Chair – Diana Kim
- Treasurer – Karen Forte
- Secretary – Susan Shih
- Communications Officer – Nicholas Roznovsky
- Communications Officer-Elect – Eric Van Uffelen
- Regents Observer – Dayna Moore
- CUCSA Delegates – Artemio Cardenas and Suya Colorado-Caldwell

Please feel free to contact any of them if you have a question or comment about staff concerns at UCSF.

Regents Approve Planning Funding for Capital Projects
At the Regents Meeting on July 21, UCSF Chancellor Hawgood presented a plan to the Committee on Grounds and Buildings to invest in four projects that are critical to achieving the UCSF’s overall capital strategy to strengthen its research, education and patient care programs and to support the work of its faculty, staff and students – two slated as action items for July consideration and two for discussion in September. UC President Janet Napolitano recommended to the Regents that planning funds for both projects be approved.

The committee then approved $11 million in planning funds to renovate UC Hall on the Parnassus Heights campus – constructed in 1917 as the University’s first hospital – and $10.9 million in planning funds to replace space occupied by UCSF employees in seismically challenged buildings – originally constructed during World War I – at the site of the city-owned San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center (SFGH), which has been affiliated with UCSF as a teaching and research site since 1873.

The Committee on Grounds and Buildings also discussed the two other UCSF capital projects proposed for UCSF Mission Bay – a new cancer outpatient building and an administration building to house employees being relocated from other sites. UCSF officials will present both projects for regential approval of planning funding this fall.

A “win-win” for UCSF and the Warriors
On July 27, UCSF announced that its support for the proposed Golden State Warriors arena project being constructed directly across the street from its new Mission Bay hospitals is contingent on a binding agreement with the city of San Francisco to address traffic concerns when large, dual, or overlapping events occur at AT&T Park and the Arena and Events center which are only minutes from each other. To ensure that patients, visitors, and staff have access should efforts to maintain acceptable traffic levels fail and access to the hospitals be impeded, UCSF supports implementing a
‘trigger mechanism’ giving the city of San Francisco the ability to manage the scheduling of large, dual events until such time that traffic can operate at acceptable levels during these events.

To encourage support for this position, UCSF launched the “WinWinSF” campaign and reached out to staff to participate. “WinWinSF” explains the challenges and opportunities presented by the project and it encourages support, in part through signature on a petition, for finding a “win-win” approach that brings the Warriors to San Francisco while ensuring staff access and patient safety. Staff were invited, along with patients and their families, to visit the “WinWinSF” website and sign a petition that supports the ‘trigger mechanism’ and creates an environment in which the new arena and events center and the Mission Bay hospitals can co-exist successfully within San Francisco’s burgeoning Mission Bay neighborhood. To learn more about the campaign visit www.WinWinSF.com.

**Rights, Benefits, and Resources: breastfeeding at work**

On August 5, in support and celebration of World Breastfeeding Week (August 1-7), the UCSF National Center of Excellence in Women’s Health hosted a day-long event promoting the value and benefits of breastfeeding—aand a woman’s right to do so at her workplace—by inviting UCSF staff to meet with lactation consultants to learn about breastfeeding rights, benefits, and UCSF resources; nourish their bodies with “materni-tea” refreshments and lunch from local restaurants; pamper themselves with a complementary massage, self-care kits, and relaxing music; receive discounted lactation supplies, and, enter to win free prizes, including a breast pump.