

Dr. S. S. Penner named Vice Chancellor - Academic Affairs

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Dr. S. S. Penner, Professor of Engineering Physics at the University of California, San Diego, was named Vice Chancellor - Academic Affairs for the San Diego campus by the University Board of Regents today (October 18), UCSD Chancellor William McGill has announced.

The action was taken by the Board of Regents at its regular monthly meeting held yesterday and today (October 17 and 18) on the Santa Cruz campus. Dr. Penner's appointment is effective November 1. The position of Vice Chancellor - Academic Affairs has been vacant at UCSD since June when Dr. Robert Tschirgi left to begin a year's sabbatical leave of absence to engage in research.

Dr. Penner, born in 1921, received his B.S. degree from Union College in 1942 and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Wisconsin in 1943 and 1946 respectively.

Since 1944 he has served as a Research Associate for the Allegany Ballistics Laboratory, Research Associate for the Standard Oil Development Company, Senior Research Engineer at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California Institute of Technology and as assistant professor, associate professor and professor at the California Institute of Technology.

In 1964 he was appointed professor and chairman of the Department of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering Sciences at the University of California, San Diego. In March, 1968, he was named Director of the Institute for Pure and Applied Physical Sciences located on the UCSD campus.

Dr. Penner is author or co-author of more than 160 articles, 3 books and 8 monographs. he is also editor of various books and of an international journal.

Dr. Penner is a member of the Engineering Sciences Section of the International Academy of Astronautics and last year was elected a Fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. He has been responsible for assembling an outstanding faculty in the Department of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering Sciences at UCSD.