MINUTES
COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET
Meeting of March 10, 2005

Present: Chair Paul Koch, Faye Crosby, Margaret Fitzsimmons, Alison Galloway, Ray Gibbs, John Lynch, Margaret Morse, Onuttom Narayan, Don Rothman, Marina Sarran, Mary-Beth Harhen

Absent: (with notice) Wentai Liu

Guests: Interim CPEVC Peggy Delaney, Interim Chair Gary Lease, Assistant Provost Charlotte Moreno, Chair Carla Freccero, and Chair Gail Hershatter

Members’ Items/Committee Business
The minutes for 2/17/05 and 2/24/05 were approved as written.

CPB member Maggie Morse reported on the UCPB meeting she attended which discussed the following issues: the reorganization of the UC Office of Academic Affairs; the passing of a resolution to keep UC a public institution, countering recent moves to privatize some portions; and excess unit fees.

Consultation with Interim CPEVC Peggy Delaney, Interim Dean Gary Lease, Chair Carla Freccero, Chair Gail Hershatter, and Assistant Provost Charlotte Moreno
The previous candidate for the President’s Diversity Initiative FTE for the Literature Department declined, so Dean Lease is requesting approval for another candidate. The same FTE will be used and the same conditions as the previous recruitment apply to this request. CPB was reassured to see the request come forward so quickly as it reinforces that this is truly a priority for the Literature Department. CPB’s letter to Interim CPEVC Delaney recommending approval of this request will be forthcoming.

In light of the History Department’s request, Interim CPEVC Delaney reviewed the criteria for approval of a Target of Excellence (TOE) appointment. The position is in the plan for the department. Interim Dean Lease stated this position is a priority for both the History Department and the Humanities Division. This TOE hire would stabilize the presence of the history graduate program and synchronize with other aspects of the history curriculum. This recruitment also addresses the criticism from students that there is not enough Asian-American instruction and representation on campus. CPB’s letter to Interim CPEVC Delaney recommending approval of this request will be forthcoming.

Academic Planning
CPB considered issues of academic planning and resource allocation in light of recent efforts by the CPEVC and VPAA. CPB discussed current impediments to efficient, cost-
effective, and stable inter-divisional and inter departmental curriculum planning, as well as possible mechanisms to ease these impediments.

**Review of Q Requirements**
CPB expects to see the data that Committee on Educational Policy has requested regarding enrollments in Q-designated courses. Shifts in enrollments by courses losing their Q designation could have budgetary implications.

**Language Program**
The committee agreed to write to CP/EVC Delaney and recommend that the Languages program be provided bridge funding for the next two years while a sustainable funding model for the program is developed.

**Earth Sciences External Review Closure Letter**
With CPB Chair Paul Koch recusing himself, the committee discussed the Earth Sciences External Review. Several issues were raised and a draft response will be circulated via email.