

MINUTES
COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET
Meeting of October 1, 2009

Present: JJ Garcia-Luna, Gildas Hamel, Lori Kletzer, Piero Madau, Marc Mangel, Cindy Pease-Alvarez, Warren Sack, Gene Switkes, Rob Wilson, Kevin Schlaufman, Jennifer De La Torre, Kalwis Lo and Mary-Beth Harhen

Absent: Brent Haddad (with notice)

Guests: EVC Dave Kliger and Special Assistant Linda Kittle

In the absence of Chair Haddad, Committee on Planning and Budget (CPB) Vice Chair Piero Madau acted as chair *pro tem*.

Member Items

Senate Chair Kletzer reported on the recent Academic Council meeting where the recent President Yudof article in the New York Times was discussed. Council felt it was a missed opportunity to state in a serious fashion the problems of the University of California and they have drafted a letter to the New York Times that is mildly critical of the President Yudof interview. Senate Vice Chair Mangel added that he discussed the article with the University of California Office of the President (UCOP) communications team who happened to be visiting this week. The UCOP communications teams stated that the article was intended to be a personality piece, not hard news and President Yudof's statements were taken out of context. The Senate Executive Committee (SEC) plans to express its disappointment during its upcoming lunch with President Yudof.

Senate Chair Kletzer also reported that issues UCOP plans to take up in 2009-10 include: waived indirect costs and the Education Abroad Program (EAP). The Senate can expect a report on EAP options this fall.

CPB members expressed concern over the quantity and quality of information included with proposals that appear on the Regent's agendas for action.

CPB's Role in the Senate and Campus

CPB Chair Pro Tem Madau provided an overview of CPB's role in shared governance and the committee's purview. While certain Senate committees have plenary authority over curriculum, admissions and graduation, the CPB role is not plenary but rather advisory.

CPB Resources Confidentiality, Consultation Procedures and Guest Protocol

CPB Chair Pro Tem Madau explained CPB's consultation and confidentiality procedures. The committee reviewed and approved the 2009-10 confidentiality statement and consultation procedures. Senate Chair Kletzer informed the committee that Senate leadership is meeting with EVC Kliger and Campus Counsel Rossi on the issue of

confidentiality and SEC is working on a Senate consultation statement. Finally Chair Pro Tem Madau explained CPB's recusal policy.

Pre Consultation

CPB determined a number of questions and issues to discuss with the EVC.

Consultation with EVC Kliger

Following introductions the EVC acknowledged that the campus will have to make more hard decisions in the coming year. It is very likely there will be more substantial cuts in 2010-11. The EVC said it is important to have a good consultation process in place, and the he is committed to consulting clearly with CPB. If CPB feels it is not having an adequate consultation, the EVC would like the committee to bring it to his attention. The EVC also asked that at the end of the year, CPB acknowledges consultation was part of the budget process. EVC Kliger asked CPB to think about how to best handle disagreements.

The EVC then provided an update of budget planning activities to date. Over the summer the EVC held three budget work groups. The work group participants discussed how they envision the campus in future with less state support. Also discussed was the need for consultation between principal officers and the Senate, before decisions are made.

The EVC passed out a draft process timelines for addressing key strategic academic questions. He stated that the organizational structures group did not come up with anything that could be changed to save money, but did think of some function changes.

The EVC believes the campus is likely to have more budget cuts because President Yudof made it very clear UC has to start contributions to the retirement system, and intends for the furlough program to only last one year. The EVC does not think the state budget will recovery in the next year. He hopes to have more clarity on the budget by January.

EVC Kliger is concerned about the campus' ability to protect the academic divisions and is concerned about how the academic divisions would take more cuts. CPB expressed great concern over the campus' ability to retain faculty. CPB and the EVC agreed the campus needs to think about the budget in terms of planning, not just cutting, and needs to determine how to continue to have strong programs with less state support.

CPB student representative Jennifer De La Torre added students need to hear more about the good things UC does. There is not much positive, and students need to have hope for the future. The EVC said the administration is working on getting messages out to students.

CPB asked the EVC about differential cuts and the EVC responded that if the campus is going to have an impact the cuts will have to be differential. Hard decisions need to be made about what is best for the campus.

The EVC closed by saying he plans to keep better track of what he discusses with CPB, and has asked Special Assistant Linda Kittle to attend CPB consultations with him to take notes.

External Reviews – Supplemental Questions

CPB discussed the Education and Applied Math and Statistics charges and determined a number of supplemental questions for both reviews. The lead CPB member for each review will draft a letter for the committee's approval.