

MINUTES
COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET
Meeting of April 26, 2012

Present: Lynn Westerkamp, *Chair*, Robert Boltje, David Draper, Daniel Friedman, Patty Gallagher, Susan Gillman, David Helmbold, Joe Konopelski, Sriram Shastry, Deanna Shemek, Andy Szasz, Matthew Mednick, Committee Analyst, Mary-Beth Harhen, Senate Director

Absent: Jessica Greenstreet, SUA, Valerie Poyner, GSA

Guests: EVC Galloway, VC Delaney

Members Items

CPB briefly discussed a recently released report by UCB Chancellor Birgeaneau proposing campuses have local Boards of Regents and greater autonomy to determine policy and set fees. There was discussion of motives, strategies, and possible outcomes.

Chair Gillman reported on Academic Council's response to the UCOLick reviews. It asks for all of the systemwide UCO Lick funds to be justified in terms of systemwide benefits. UC Provost Pitts and Executive Vice President, Business Operations Brostrom discussed rebenching though there is still not final agreement on the implementation. It is still unclear if some of the central elements that the group agreed upon are going to be implemented the way the Senate proposed. The second wave of UC Online Education (UCOE) courses were discussed, with 12 having been submitted. The Council discussed a lack of confidence in the UCOE leadership, given the lack of clarity about the program, its goals and funding models. Additionally, Council discussed the gender equity study and UCAAD was charged to consider it. The Reynoso task force report on UC Davis November 18, 2011 "Pepper Spray Incident" has been released for review.

Budget Reviews 2012-13

CPB reviewed and discussed the budget cut proposals from all five Academic Divisions, Arts, Engineering, Humanities, Physical & Biological Sciences, and Social Sciences. The committee agreed that their review indicated the need for coordinated campus wide academic planning which in part will be jump started by the Academic Senate curricular planning initiative.

Consultation with EVC Galloway

CPB asked the EVC for additional budget information from the principal officers in order to conduct a more thorough review of their budget cut scenarios. The committee plans to follow-up and put their request(s) in writing for reporting that shows units whole budgets, not just what principle officers propose to cut.

The EVC reported that the state legislature wants to write in more controls on UC capital spending and executive salaries as part of their state support for UC. There are several interrelated budgetary decision points pending including: tuition increases, salary increases, how funding will be distributed by rebenching.

The campus received updated projections for retirement plan contributions, decreasing the modeling from the planned 18% employer contribution down to around 14%. This could dramatically help the campus if budget cuts are dramatic in 13-14.

The EVC also briefed CPB on a financial aid related issue as raised by UCI that their students may be asked to contribute more than their fair share of financial aid dollars into the redistributed UC-wide pool. Further analysis is being done to ascertain the situation.

The EVC fielded multiple questions regarding the campus Retention Action Plan which was forwarded to CPB the previous week. The primary message was that the document would serve as a guideline for additional refinement of goals made by the EVC, VPDUE, and VPAA through early 2012-13 for the following several years.

Faculty Climate Survey

The committee discussed the draft of the survey as forwarded by VPAA Lee. CPB opposes conducting the survey in its present form since it is poorly constructed, and too long.