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

Absent:  Jessica Greenstreet, SUA

Guests:  EVC Galloway, VC Delaney

Members Items
Vice Chair Konopelski reported on comments made by UC Provost Pitts last week and among the topics was the overall systemwide faculty count. It had been asserted that the faculty count was only down 1%, which seems low from the UCSC perspective (552 in 2009-10, 525 in 2011-12, a local loss of almost 5%). Based on this information, it can only be concluded that old data was being referenced, or that other campuses have added faculty during this same time period.

Additionally, there was discussion of a planned reduction in the systemwide CalTeach budget. The original plan was to repurpose 50% of the current funding distribution for allocations based on the competitive submission of proposals by individual campus programs. While this change still seems to be moving forward, due to resistance and review, the funding distribution of the new allocation method has been reduced from 50% to 30%.

It was noted that additional changes to the TIM program were likely forthcoming from the Dean and newly appointed leadership. The Senate Chair has been communicating with the administration and program faculty on this issue and the Senate will, through its usual process be consulted on any proposed revisions.

The Engineering Dean has convened a committee headed by Professor Ira Pohl to discuss and generate online courses for the division. These courses are not a part of the phase 1 or 2 UCOnline Education program, and will be approved through the normal campus course approval process.

Summer Session Correspondence
The committee discussed the current draft of the memo which is intended to clarify several programmatic and financial components of the summer session program. Several areas of discussion arose, including: maintaining or increasing faculty and grad instructor salaries, the attractiveness of summer teaching for grad students as a professional development opportunity, and the summer curricular planning schedule. Of note, the committee generally agreed that it would support the VPDUE’s proposal to plan out summer curriculum for the summer following the academic year, however, it was clear that only some base courses for any department could be planned, with upper-division and ‘as needed’ courses being formally chosen in the prior academic year.
Budget Reviews
Senate leadership reported on their request to the EVC for existing Infoview operating budget summary reports which could be run to provide needed budgetary context in terms of carryforward and spending in each unit’s operational areas. The EVC was supportive of Planning and Budget forwarding these reports to CPB.

CPB reviewed and discussed the budget cut proposals from Campus Life, BAS, and the VPDUE. In the committee review prospective new budget principles were identified, identification of unnecessary and costly risk aversion, and reduction/removal of bureaucratic layering within or across divisions.

Consultation with CP/EVC Alison Galloway
CPB had questions regarding the EVC’s recently distributed faculty recruitment approvals which were sent to the Deans. In particular the committee was interested how some newly allocated FTE would be distributed, and there was some confusion if these FTE were represented in the recruitment authorization document. The EVC addressed the funding source, that some FTE are newly allocated to the divisions, and the deadline for additional new hiring authorization requests which should be expected in late spring.

The committee also inquired about the status of the Student Fee Advisory Committee (SFAC) review of the resource centers. The EVC noted this review was now completed and that their report had been forwarded to her office recently. She agreed to forward the report on for CPB review.

Lastly, the EVC addressed what developments may be pending for the TIM program and its leadership.