MINUTES COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET Meeting of May 17, 2012

Present: Lynn Westerkamp, *Chair*, Robert Boltje, 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: David Draper, Jessica Greenstreet, SUA

Guests: EVC Galloway, VC Delaney

Members Items

The committee approved the minutes of May 10.

Member Boltje reported on the latest Advisory Committee on Campus Planning and Stewardship (CPS) meeting, including a summary of noteworthy agenda items including: Thimann Ancient DNA Lab, McHenry Library Security Improvements, Landfill and Solid Waste Diversion Task Force, and the Merrill Capital Renewal which will address deferred maintenance, ADA code compliance, circulation and way finding, and the provision of additional beds. The committee also expressed some concern that the 10-year Capital Financial Plan, which historically has been reviewed by CPB, would not be available or reviewed until the June CPS meetings, perhaps too late for formal CPB review or comment.

Budget Reviews

CPB reviewed and discussed the budget cut proposals from University Relations, Silicon Valley, Library, Graduate Division, Chancellor, and Academic Personnel. The committee recommends that CPB form a sub-committee in 2012-13 on Silicon Valley, to review the complete finances of the initiative and other related units including UCSC Extension Silicon Valley (UNEX), University Affiliated Research Center (UARC), etc.

Recruitment Request

CPB discussed the recruitment request forwarded for review by the EVC. Given the state of faculty attrition, and the existing FTE in the Division, CPB was supportive of the request. The committee was concerned however, based on discussions from earlier in the academic year regarding start-up costs, at the proposed funding split between Divisional funds and the center.

Sub-committee Total Cost to Students

Member Szasz circulated a draft of the Total Cost to Students sub-committee report. One possible reduction area is the student Campus-Based Fees/Referenda Fees, many of which have no sunset clause. Room & Board was identified as a primary area which could be reduced, specifically the 22% debt service component rather than the actual service provision. The committee requested debt service data from Planning & Budget, and feels that there may be some opportunity for reexamining the financing of past and future projects. In addition, 14% of the total is set aside for Housing Expansion and Major Maintenance (HEMM) which the sub-

committee has identified for further review, as housing expansion targets may be based on older LRDP assumptions which could be unreasonable given the state enrollment targets.

Consultation with EVC Galloway

In attendance: Vice Chancellor Delaney

The EVC informed CPB that the "Robinson-Edley Response to Protests on UC Campuses" report has been circulated in draft form. The good news is that UCSC already practices most of the recommendations, but there are a few unfunded mandates, as well as legally problematic issues with the report which remain unresolved.

The EVC gave a brief update on the status of the executive searches (Vice Chancellor Business & Administrative Services – 2 candidates, Dean of the Division of Physical and Biological Sciences – 4 candidates) which are moving into the interview phase. The full campus visit schedule will be available in the coming week. The Senate Executive Committee plans to send representatives to all interviews.

The committee engaged with the EVC in a discussion of the size and shape of the academic units and the strategy for contextualizing the larger discussion for the fall about how to implement cuts as they become finalized. Pending tuition increases, the Governor's budget, tax initiatives, and rebenching implementation are all currently factors which will impact the final UCSC budget.

Games and Playable Media M.S. and PDST

With member Helmbold recused, CPB reviewed the Games and Playable Media M.S. and PDST proposal, with the committee very supportive of the overall goals, resource allocations, and implementation as identified. A few points of clarification were identified for the CPB response, including the space (funding) allocation and the equipment renewal budget. The committee also was supportive of the Professional Degree Supplemental Tuition (PDST) request, as this program will include a variety of additional resource needs.

Consistent with the last PDST reviews, CPB recommends that the VPAA schedule a 3-year budgetary model review to evaluate the program implementation as well as the PSDT revenue stream. In addition, CPB clearly identified that the 2-year M.S. program should be evaluated and approved separately when it is finalized.