

SANTA CRUZ: OFFICE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE
COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET
MINUTES
October 1, 2015

Present: Abel Rodriguez (Chair), Don Brenneis (*ex officio*), Ólöf Einarsdóttir (*ex officio*), Adrian Brasoveanu, Cormac Flanagan, Loisa Nygaard, Rick Prelinger, Danilyn Rutherford, Bruce Schumm, Marilyn Walker, Jin Zhang, Whitney De Vos (Graduate Rep), Hannah Tuong (Undergrad Rep), Matthew Mednick (Senate Director), Esthela Bañuelos (Senate Analyst)

Absent: Guillermo Rogel (Undergraduate Rep)

Chair's Orientation to Committee Business

Chair Rodriguez provided a brief overview of how CPB conducts its business and member responsibilities. The committee reviewed the confidentiality agreement, member guidelines, and discussed recusal and consultation practices.

Campus Budget Overview: Planning and Budget Office (Part One)

Director Moini presented the first of two planned campus budget overview presentations to the committee. Topics reviewed included campus programs and degrees, basic budget terminology and concepts, overview of the UC system budget, and UCSC budget basics. Budget projections were not discussed due to time limitations and will be presented at next week's meeting.

Consultation with CP/EVC Galloway

CPB consulted with CPEVC Galloway on the topic of respective priorities and areas for collaboration in 2015-16, and also briefly touched on undergraduate admissions outcomes and the topic of Silicon Valley planning.

Addressing her priorities for 2015-16 that relate to CPB, CPEVC Galloway noted the biggest is the budget and the size of the structural deficit.

EVC Galloway also raised the issue of nonresident targets. The draft LREP calls for nonresidents targets that may not be achievable, and this was discussed in context of campus plans to be more selective on resident admissions. Further, the campus is increasing nonresident tuition and cutting back on the amount allocated for the Undergraduate Dean's Awards (scholarships for nonresidents).

Examining FTE allocations, and cost of living adjustments is another set of priorities. There is a need to continue building the leadership team, including the Vice Provost positions, meeting our instruction needs, and reviewing efforts in Silicon Valley.

CPB discussed issues the committee will focus on this year, including enrollments, graduate growth improving shared governance, Silicon Valley, and capital planning. The committee also raised academic divisional resourcing, especially as we consider budget cutting.

The consultation then turned to the specific topics of undergraduate admissions outcomes, the Vice Provost searches, and Silicon Valley. On enrollment planning, EVC Galloway noted the implications from this year's process. The campus made a decision not to use the waitlist, which gave the campus less flexibility. On the positive side, SAT scores and GPAs are up for admitted students. However, diversity in some areas is down.

EVC Galloway noted several changes that could be undertaken, including closer collaboration on the LREP and a focus on admissions strategy. The cancellation process will also change, going to postmark deadline vs. received by deadline and placing enrollment holds instead of cancellations.

On the topic of Vice Provost searches, EVC Galloway is establishing the Student Success job description first and then the International Engagement position. Both positions will be filled on an interim basis. When asked for a timeframe, EVC declined to provide one at this time.

On the topic of Silicon Valley, the committee raised questions about timeline and process. EVC Galloway noted that contract language is being worked out by the Office of Procurement, and that is needed before finding a market research company. A discussion of progress to date ensued.

Post Consultation Discussion

The committee discussed areas of overlap between priorities and noted areas for continued engagement (Silicon Valley) and issues that affect multiple Senate committees (admission and enrollment).

BSOE Off-Cycle Recruitment

The Baskin School of Engineering requested authorization for an off-cycle recruitment request for a Lecturer with Security of Employment for the Department of Computational Media. With member Walker recused, the committee reviewed the request.

Second Hire Request: BSOE

The Baskin School of Engineering requested authorization for a second hire from the recent search in Electrical Engineering, which was considered by the committee.

Issues for CPB in 2015-16

Members briefly touched on issues for CPB in 2015-16 including balancing proactive and routine business, writing curriculum, and graduate growth and research capacity.

Committee Assignments/External Reviews

The committee reviewed and agreed to member assignments, including subcommittees, external reviews and committee representative assignments. Members also discussed the committee's role in the external review process, and member responsibilities during review.