COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET MINUTES October 22, 2015

Present: Abel Rodriguez (Chair), Ólöf Einarsdóttir (*ex officio*), Adrian Brasoveanu, Cormac Flanagan, Loisa Nygaard, Rick Prelinger, Danilyn Rutherford, Bruce Schumm, Marilyn Walker, Jin Zhang, Matthew Mednick (Senate Director), Esthela Bañuelos (Senate Analyst)

Absent: Don Brenneis (ex officio), Whitney De Vos (Graduate Rep), Guillermo Rogel (Undergraduate Rep), Hannah Tuong (Undergrad Rep)

Member's Items

Member Schumm attended the Academic Space Planning committee meeting, where the 2300 Delaware site was discussed. Members raised that a Senate faculty member has written on the lack of computer lab space on campus. Member Schumm will follow up.

The Senate Orientation is scheduled for October 29, 2015.

External Reviews

Stage 1: Supplemental Questions for External Review

Sociology

CPB discussed the upcoming review of the Sociology Department. The committee raised questions about research directions and opportunities for the department, staff morale and turnover, and extramural funding.

Digital Arts and New Media (DANM)

CPB discussed the upcoming review of the DANM program. The committee raised questions about program focus areas and program strength, resource issues and constraints, and governance structure of the program.

Community Studies (Internal Review)

CPB discussed the upcoming review of Community Studies. The committee raised questions related to resource issues, governance structure, and development prospects.

Advisory Committee on Campus Transportation and Parking

EVC Galloway has requested Senate review and comment on the draft charge of the proposed Advisory Committee on Campus Transportation and Parking (ACCTP), intended to replace the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).

CPB recognized the constitution of the Advisory Committee on Campus Transportation and Parking as a suitable response to the Senate concerns raised last year. The committee agreed that the elevation of the level of the committee to include campus leadership, with an appropriate distribution of campus constituents, will help further the goal of the formulation of a sustainable long-term funding model for transportation and parking programs. CPB also made explicit recommendations that the Silicon Valley Center be explicitly mentioned, that the charge of the committee should be expanded to address the incentive the funding model is expected to crate, and a revisiting of the composition of the ACCTP after the first year to transition to a structure that does not overly burden the high level administrators currently in the charge.

Consultation with EVC Galloway/VCPB Delaney

VCPB Delaney presented a revised budget shortfall and budget projections. EVC Galloway consulted on the strategy for budget cutting next year, which includes avoiding budget cuts every year to address the projected budget shortfall expected in the next four years. EVC Galloway and VCPB Delaney discussed proposed actions for 2016-17, which include assigning half of the permanent budget cuts to the academic divisions and half to support units. The size of the cuts is expected to be proportional to summer enrollment. The stated goal is to create a visible incentive to both assign and mitigate the cut.

CPB members raised questions about the anticipated faculty FTE to be allocated next year and over the next four years, and the discussion turned to FTE priorities. CPB expressed interest in reviewing the draft allocation letter, and the committee discussed timing of draft review.

Post-Consultation Discussion: EVC Galloway/VCPB Delaney

The committee discussed strategy and follow up on FTE allocations to the divisions. The committee discussed its role in campus academic planning and its role in encouraging more openness in the budget process.

Post-Consultation Discussion: Enrollment Data Consultation

The committee debriefed its consultation of October 15, 2015 with VCPB Delaney, VPDUE Hughey and Director Fernald on enrollment data. The committee discussed taking a proactive role in this issue, including consultation with principal officers.

UCSC Economics/Hastings MOU

The committee considered a proposal for a non-degree program agreement between the Economics Department and Hastings College of the Law, which would allow Hastings law students to pursue the M.S. in Applied Economics and Finance while completing their Juris Doctor degree from UC Hastings. CPB reviewed the resource implications, with comments to be forwarded to Graduate Council. The committee noted this is a non-degree program involving an existing graduate degree; approval lies with Graduate Council and no off-campus review is necessary.

The committee commended the Economics Department for its entrepreneurship. Members noted the program is resource neutral and promises to bring new resources to the campus. Two minor issues were raised regarding the language of the MOU, 1) it should be explicitly stated that the degrees are separable (students should be guaranteed that if they fulfill the requirements for one of the degrees, it will be conferred regardless of whether they fulfill the requirements of the other degree, and 2) the language of the MOU should be amended to reflect the intention that UCSC will allow (not require) students who concurrently and successfully complete both the JD and MS to take ten fewer elective credits.

Graduate Growth

This item was not discussed, and will be moved to a future meeting.