

**COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET
MINUTES
November 5, 2015**

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

Absent: Don Brenneis (*ex officio*), Rick Prelinger, Bruce Schumm, Guillermo Rogel (Undergraduate Rep), Matthew Mednick (Senate Director)

Member's Items

Chair Rodriguez provided an update on the systemwide UCPB meeting of November 3, 2015. He reported that the issue of faculty salary raises was on the agenda, and how different campuses apply it was a topic of discussion.

Chair Rodriguez provided an update on the library proposal. Members will have until the end of today to provide feedback and finalize the committee's correspondence on this topic.

FTE Overview

The committee reviewed and discussed material provided by the Office of Planning and Budget that included a rough draft of the faculty recruitment letter and faculty FTE presentations. The committee will continue discussion of this item at its next meeting.

Consultation: Arts Dean

The committee consulted with Arts Dean Yager at his request for a final meeting with the committee before stepping down as dean in January 2016. Topics for discussion included the search for a new dean as well as key issues for the division moving forward.

Consultation: CP/EVC Galloway

The committee consulted with CP/EVC Galloway on the size of the cuts being planned for the academic divisions, pre-allocation of resources to academic divisions, and a discussion of data to help CPB make informed recommendations. CP/EVC Galloway also provided clarity on the use of summer session to mitigate budget cuts for the academic divisions. Members also raised questions about broader academic planning and academic metrics. CP/EVC Galloway raised several issues in regard to use of metrics, including the need for a well-rounded faculty and a holistic approach. She encouraged the committee to think about what might be the most appropriate metrics to evaluate. The committee planned to continue this discussion at its next meeting.

Post-Consultation Discussion

The committee noted its support for the EVC's plan for the budget cut, split between academic divisions and support units. The committee also raised its support for pre-allocation of FTE to the divisions for one year. Members noted the need for further discussion of metrics.

External Reviews

Stage 1: Supplemental Questions

Biomolecular Engineering

CPB discussed the upcoming review of the Biomolecular Engineering (BME) Department. The committee is interested in the ERC's recommendations on how to strengthen faculty research areas of find a way to

balance different areas of research, given the twelve faculty members cover six research areas. The committee is also interested in the ERC's position on the best divisional home for BME, and the ERC's perspective on whether the faculty should be encouraged to support more graduate students rather than postdoctoral scholars.

Politics

CPB discussed the upcoming review of the Politics Department. The committee is interested in the external review committee's (ERC) perspective on graduate program attrition rates, use of affiliated faculty to assist in training students, the 3+3 Bachelor's/J.D. program and its prospects for growth, and use of continuing students to cover teaching of upper division courses now taught by temporary lecturers.