

**COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET
MINUTES
December 10, 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), Matthew Mednick (Senate Director), Esthela Bañuelos (Senate Analyst)

Absent: Guillermo Rogel (Undergraduate Rep), Hannah Tuong (Undergrad Rep)

Member's Items

Chair Rodriguez updated the committee on the capital planning meeting he attended with VCPB Delaney, Director Draper, the Senate Director, and CPB analyst. He reported agreements on changes in timeline so that representation on committees and consultation are not conflated.

Chair Rodriguez noted concern with student absences. He will follow up with the student representatives and encouraged member feedback on encouraging their attendance.

Member Nygaard provided a brief summary of the Ecology and Evolutionary Biology closure meeting of December 7, 2015.

The Advisory Committee on Campus Transportation and Parking (ACCTP) representative announced that the first meeting will be next Monday. Meetings are planned every two weeks, and are three hours each. He requested a second representative be appointed to share the load of the meetings.

Mid-Cycle Reports: Environmental Studies and Science Communication

The committee reviewed the mid-cycle reports for the Environmental Studies Department and Science Communication program. The VPAA has recommended an eight-year cycle for program review for each of the programs. CPB concurred with the VPAA's recommendations.

External Review Analysis: Bookstore

During January 2015-May 2015, Campus Bookstore Consulting conducted analysis of the Bay Tree Bookstore operations. This review of fiscal and operational data incorporated CPB questions, and identified a set of strategic initiatives for implementation. The committee reviewed the analysis report.

The committee expressed support for the continued existence of the Bay Tree Bookstore as an essential element of student life and campus cohesion. Members noted that on the positive side, sales increased in FY15, but expressed concern that the bookstore's current business model remains unsustainable. The committee was particularly concerned with the shrinking sales of the Computer/Technology department, down almost 48% between 2010 and 2014. In general, CPB felt that externalities exerted influence over the bookstore equal to or greater than internal business or management issues.

Consultation: CP/EVC Galloway

CPB consulted with CPEVC Galloway on the following topics: budget and FTE call(s), Vice Provost for Global Engagement position, and African American student life on campus. VCPB Delaney was also present to consult on the budget and FTE call(s).

On the Vice Provost for Global Engagement position, the CP/EVC noted that it should be the new EVC who should make the appointment.

The EVC noted that, in regards to African American student life on campus, she was met with the Chair of SUA. The Black Experience Team has asked to become a permanent group. The campus is also moving forward with a Counseling and Psychological Services with a focus on African American/Black experiences. She also noted that application rates have gone up this coming year. She will meet with leadership groups in January to talk about additional next steps.

In response to a question about Muslim students on campus, the EVC noted the campus has a Muslim Student Association, and she wants to ensure there is support for Muslim students.

2014 Total Remuneration Study

Several UC campuses requested a campus by campus analysis of the 2014 Total Remuneration Study for general campus ladder-rank faculty. Members reviewed this as an information item. Members raised several issues, including UCSC's lag despite the merit boost program.

Planning: January 7 Meeting

The committee briefly discussed planned items for the next meeting.