COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET
MINUTES
March 2, 2017

Present: Abel Rodriguez (Chair), Óláf Einarsdóttir (ex officio), Elizabeth Abrams, Cormac Flanagan, Lindsay Hinck, Tracy Larrabee, Lourdes Martín-Echazábal, Rick Prelinger, Carl Walsh, Graeme Baird (Graduate Rep), Allyson Guo (Undergrad Rep), Tias Webster (Undergrad Rep), Esthela Bañuelos (Senate Analyst)

Absent: Adrian Brasoveanu, Kimberly Lau (ex officio), Matthew Mednick (Senate Director)

Member’s Items
Senate Chair Einarsdóttir provided an update on the Senate Executive Committee meeting of February 28. She reported that topics of discussion included the upcoming March 8 Senate meeting, CIE’s work trying to get feedback on the VPGE position recruitment, and a possible proposal for education abroad program change. SEC also met with the Administrative Leadership Team during the SEC scheduled meeting time for a discussion of the UCOP requested scenarios for the UC Framework for Growth visioning exercise.

Senate Chair Einarsdóttir reported on correspondence from CAFA on its position on the compare favorably policy and this year’s admissions.

Member Hinck reported on the Classroom subcommittee meeting she attended as a CPB representative. She reported that the Kresge classroom was discussed. The main topic of discussion was its capacity, and in particular, the feasibility of 600-people classroom.

Member Hinck also reported on the Advisory Committee on Campus Transportation and Parking (ACCTP) of March 1. She reported that sustainability was the major topic of discussion.

Consultation: PBSci Dean
The committee consulted with Physical and Biological Sciences Dean Paul Koch on the division’s 2017-18 FTE recruitment requests. Graduate Council Chair Smith and Committee on Educational Policy Chair Tamkun attended the consultation.

2017-18 FTE Recruitment Requests
The committee continued its review of the faculty recruitment requests.

Revised Proposal: Coastal Science & Policy M.S. (PDST)
The committee reviewed the revised proposal for an M.S. degree in Coastal Science and Policy, a new interdepartmental program with primary administrative oversight from the Physical and Biological Sciences Dean. The program is proposed as a professional degree with supplemental tuition (PDST). The committee also reviewed the PDST proposal. CPB provided its response to Graduate Council.

The committee found that the revised proposal and supporting documentation addressed the issues raised by CPB during its review of the original proposal during fall 2016, and acknowledged the extensive and clear revisions to the proposal since its first iteration. CPB strongly recommended that the program be closely monitored as it undergoes a robust three-year review, and recommended that several areas be investigated in detail during the review, including: ability of the program to secure additional external funding for its graduate students, attract a strong pool of applicants and secure the level of enrollment necessary for its financial viability, secure jobs that provide adequate financial returns on their investment;
address workload of faculty involved in the program, and particularly for the program director; ability of the students to secure appropriate internships.

**Planning: March 9 meeting**
The committee briefly discussed planned items for the next meeting.