COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET MINUTES June 8, 2017

Present: Abel Rodriguez (Chair), Kimberly Lau (*ex officio*), Ólöf Einarsdóttir (*ex officio*), Elizabeth Abrams, Adrian Brasoveanu, Cormac Flanagan, Lindsay Hinck, Tracy Larrabee, Lourdes Martínez-Echazábal, Carl Walsh, Graeme Baird (Graduate Rep), Matthew Mednick (Senate Director), Esthela Bañuelos (Senate Analyst)

Absent: Rick Prelinger, Allyson Guo (Undergrad Rep), Tias Webster (Undergrad Rep),

Member's Items

Chair Rodriguez provided an update on the systemwide UCPB meeting of June 6. He noted that one of the main topics of discussion was the 2:1 frosh-to-transfer ratio.

Member Abrams provided a summary of the Education department closure meeting of June 2.

Spousal/Partner Waiver of Open Recruitment: PBSci

The MCD Biology Department in the Physical and Biological Sciences division submitted a request for a waiver of open recruitment in order to propose a Spousal/Partner appointment. With member Hinck recused, the committee considered the request and will communicate its decision in writing to CP/EVC Tromp.

Spousal/Partner Waiver of Open Recruitment Request: Social Sciences

The Politics Department in the Social Sciences Division submitted a request for a waiver of open recruitment in order to propose a Spousal/Partner appointment. The committee considered the request and will communicate its decision in writing to CP/EVC Tromp.

Spousal Partner Waiver of Open Recruitment Request: Social Sciences

The Environmental Studies Department in the Social Sciences Division submitted a request for a waiver of open recruitment in order to propose a Spousal/Partner appointment. The committee considered the request and will communicate its decision in writing to CP/EVC Tromp.

Consultation: CP/EVC Tromp

The committee consulted with CP/EVC Tromp and outgoing iCP/EVC Lee. The consultation provided the first opportunity for CPB to engage with the new EVC, and was intended as a mutual introduction.

The committee began with an introduction to the role of CPB within the Senate and the campus, including some of the specific work the committee typically engages in. Members emphasized the tradition of CPB consultation with the EVC, a particularly strong tradition in our division that members are proud of.

The consultation included discussion of strategic academic planning, as well as specifically, interdivisional collaborations, graduate training, undergraduate education, and frosh/transfer ratios. Through this discussion, CP/EVC Tromp elaborated her vision that included her discussion of the role of collaborative work, data driven decision-making, and assessment/accountability. She also noted the need for articulation of goals and values, which can clarify priorities and help tackle difficult decisions. On strategic planning, she noted that strategic academic planning can only occur after broader strategic planning.

Granary/Stone House Planning

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The committee was asked to comment on planning for the Granary/Stone House buildings. The committee reviewed the options presented in context of the planning principles identified by the Space Planning Task Force. Members noted that the Granary and Stone House buildings are spaces with a privileged location near the main entrance of the campus, and saw a great opportunity for these spaces to become the core of a "Welcome/Community Relations Center" that would serve as meeting/event space for various constituencies (alumni, faculty and staff retirees, prospective and newly admitted students) as well as an exhibition center focused on the Santa Cruz community. They further viewed the multipurpose arrangement anchored by the goal of community engagement as preferable to any of the individual options provided by the Task Force; it would benefit multiple constituencies while ensuring that the space receives ample use.

CPB recognized that turning the Granary and Stone House into multipurpose spaces would require careful coordination across constituencies (which might in turn need assignment to an impartial oversight unit that can adjudicate among them) and strongly encouraged exploration and implementation of a hybrid option. If, however, the choices must be limited to the ones provided in the original request, the committee supported the following 5 options (ranked from the most to the least preferable): 1) Arts Faculty/Student Exhibit Space. 2) Retiree/Emeriti Center, 3) UR/Alumni Center, 4) UC Food Scarcity Initiative, and 5) Interfaith Center/Meditation Center.

Annual Report

The committee discussed issues to highlight in the 2016-17 annual report.