

**COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET
MINUTES
November 10, 2016**

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

Absent: Ray Inoue (Undergrad Rep)

Member's Items

Chair Einarsdóttir provided an update on the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) meeting of November 8, 2016. She reported that topics of discussion included student success; the working group on major impact and its plans to provide an update on the group's progress at the November 18, 2016 Senate meeting.

Member Walsh provided an update on the GFF meeting of November 7, 2016, which he attended as the CPB representative. The group will send recommendations on setting priorities for investing GFF funds to the Advisory Committee on Campus Planning and Stewardship (CPS). The committee briefly discussed options presented at the meeting.

UCSC Centers of Excellence Proposal

The EVC forwarded a proposal from the Office of Research and Division of Graduate Studies to initiate a Centers of Excellence (CoE) program, intended to cultivate extramural research funding success by providing seed funding and research development support. The CoE program proposes funding for Planning Grants and longer term Research Centers. The committee reviewed the report and considered comments to the EVC for discussion at today's consultation. Graduate Council Chair Don Smith was a guest participant in the discussion.

Consultation: CP/EVC

The committee consulted with CP/EVC Galloway and incoming Interim CP/EVC Lee, with the Vice Chancellor for Planning and Budget Peggy Delaney in attendance. Topics of consultation included the Centers of Excellence (COE) proposal from the Office of Research and Division of Graduate Studies, and status/progress on two other planned initiatives from the Graduate Division: the graduate non-resident tuition waivers (IDRF) proposal, and the proposal for expanded use of GSI's. CP/EVC Galloway informed CPB that the IDRF initiative is moving forward and will be in place this year. She also agreed to send the proposal to CPB for review. On the proposal for expanded use of GSI's, VCPB Delaney noted that there is support for it but there is not capacity at this point for analysis.

Off-Cycle Second Hire Request: BSOE

The Baskin School of Engineering requested authorization for an off-cycle recruitment request for a second hire. The committee reviewed the request.

Spousal/Partner Waiver of Open Recruitment Request

The History of Consciousness department submitted a proposal for a Spousal/Partner waiver of open recruitment. The committee reviewed the request and will forward its recommendation to the CP/EVC.

Target of Excellence (TOE) Waiver of Open Recruitment Request

The Astronomy & Astrophysics department submitted a proposal for a TOE waiver of open recruitment. The committee reviewed the request and will forward its recommendation to the CP/EVC.

External Reviews

Stage 1: Supplemental Questions

Earth and Planetary Sciences

CPB discussed the upcoming review of the Earth and Planetary Sciences department. The committee raised questions related to the proposed new Interdepartmental Environmental Sciences major and research and training breadth in relation to future faculty hires and graduate enrollments.

Stage 2: Comments on ERC Report

Digital Arts and New Media (DANM)

The committee reviewed and discussed the DANM program external review. CPB commended the program for successfully navigating its first years, including renegotiating much-improved MOUs spelling out service obligations and other contractual details governing the relationships of faculty to the program. The committee raised additional issues and recommended these be addressed in the midcycle report, including in the areas of program structure, organization of research foci, and program direction.

Film and Digital Media (FDM)

With member Prelinger recused, CPB reviewed and discussed the FDM external review. CPB commented that the external review was highly positive, speaking of outstanding research, creative faculty, and dynamic relationships with engaged and energized graduate and undergraduate students. CPB raised issues that included the following areas: governance structure, faculty workload, and space issues.

Planning: November 17 Meeting

The committee briefly discussed planned items for its next meeting.