Present: Carl Walsh (Chair), Ólōf Einarsdóttir (ex officio), Elizabeth Abrams, Doug Bonett, Matthew Clapham, Cormac Flanagan, Tracy Larrabee, Jie Qing, Nirvikar Singh, Dan Oliver (Graduate Rep), Matthew Mednick (Senate Director) Esthela Bañuelos (Senate Analyst)

Absent: Kimberly Lau (ex officio), Jonathan Kahana, Maxine Jimenez (Undergrad Rep), Dylan Jones (Undergrad Rep)

Members Items
Senate Chair Einarsdóttir provided an update on the systemwide Academic Council meeting of March 21, 2018. She reported that topics of discussion included President Napolitano’s call for admissions guarantees for transfer students from California community colleges, IT governance, representation for the Health Services Committee, and the Oliver Johnson awards.

Member Larrabee provided an update on the Advisory Committee on Campus Planning and Stewardship (CPS) meeting of March 20, 2018. She reported that topics of discussion included the creation of the subcommittee to handle some of the current work of CPS, and the transition of CPS to a once quarterly meeting schedule.

Members discussed a number of housekeeping items, including upcoming consultations and reviews.

Chair Walsh shared that he was informed about an upcoming Childcare Workgroup meeting, which members previously understood had completed its work over the summer. Director Mednick also announced that there will be a new Family Support Advisory Committee. Details are forthcoming.

President’s Postdoctoral Fellow Hire Request
The Social Sciences Division has requested authorization for the hire of a Presidential Postdoctoral Fellow for the Latin American and Latino Studies Department. The committee reviewed the request and will forward its recommendation to the CP/EVC.

MCD Biology: M.S. Proposal
CPB discussed the proposal from the MCD Biology department to establish an M.S. in Molecular, Cell, and Developmental Biology (MCDB). The program is intended to replace the existing M.A. in MCDB. CPB will provide its response to Graduate Council.

Members noted that the new program proposed no change to the current M.A. curriculum, and that the proposal stated there were no direct fiscal issues. CPB agreed that there were no immediate resource consequences of the plans to establish an M.S. to replace the existing M.A, and noted its support for the proposal.

FTE Review
The committee finalized its discussion of divisional faculty FTE requests and CTOE requests. CPB’s recommendations were guided by principles outlined in the CP/EVC letter to the Deans, and those developed by CPB previously. The main priorities were as follows: that new faculty hires should enhance the research profile of the campus by supporting significant doctoral growth (or MFA, as appropriate) in existing programs or support new programs with high growth potential; new faculty hires should significantly improve the educational experience of a substantial number of undergraduate students –
including streamlining curricular capacity, efficiency, and innovation through use of teaching professors; and new hires should increase faculty diversity to create a richly varied and robust research profile and pedagogical offerings. In addition, CPB considered the potential for CTOE candidates to advance the national and international prominence of UCSC and to make contributions that could cross departmental and/or divisional borders. CPB’s recommendations incorporated feedback from the Chairs of Graduate Council and the Committee on Educational Policy. CPB will send its final recommendations to the EVC.

**Consultation: CP/EVC**

The committee consulted with CP/EVC Tromp and AVPAA Berger on strategic academic planning. Special Projects Manager Cohen and CP/EVC Chief of Staff Rhoads were in attendance. VCPB Delaney joined via conference call. The discussion focused on several related issues, including the SAP survey results and implications for evaluating potential thematic areas, the request from AVPAA Berger on research allocations, and the integration of campus budget processes with the Strategic Academic Plan. VCPB Delaney noted that her office has been working on getting the information CPB has requested.