COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET MINUTES November 30, 2017

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

Absent: Maxine Jimenez (Undergrad Rep)

Members Items

Chair Walsh reminded members of the upcoming Senate meeting (December 1, 2017).

Senate Chair Einarsdóttir provided an update on the Academic Council meeting of November 20, 2017. She reported that the Council consulted with Regent Lark and then with President Napolitano. Topics of discussion at the meeting included the UCOP state audit and potential impacts of the proposed tax bill, if passed, on graduate students (proposal to tax tuition waivers).

Member Clapham provided an update on the Advisory Committee on Campus Transportation and Parking (ACCTP) meeting of November 28, 2017. He reported that the group discussed a proposed campus student fee measure.

External Reviews

Stage 1 (Supplemental Questions)

Chemistry and Biochemistry

With member and Senate Chair Einarsdóttir recused, CPB discussed the upcoming review of the Chemistry and Biochemistry Department, and raised questions in the following areas for the external review committee to address: growth potential in the master's program in context of availability of Master's Incentive Program (MIP) funds, staff support, funding for major instrumentation.

Stage 2 (Comments on ERC Report for Closure Meeting)

The committee commented on the external review report documents for the History Department's review. CPB noted its appreciation for the spirit of inquiry and collegiality of all parties participating in the review, which invited genuine reflection on the direction the department should take in coming years. The committee also raised questions in the following areas for discussion at the closure meeting: department vision and planning in light of upcoming faculty retirements and resources and processes for making research time available to Associate Professors to help them advance.

Consultation: Social Sciences Dean

The committee consulted with Social Sciences Dean Katharyne Mitchell. The consultation was intended as an opportunity for a mutual introduction, with the goals of facilitating collaboration and increasing familiarity between the Dean and the Senate ahead of the FTE review process.

Consultation: CP/EVC

The committee consulted with CP/EVC Tromp, with VCPB Delaney attending the consultation. Discussion focused on support for the campus research mission and Silicon Valley planning. A third topic of discussion was strategic academic planning, and included discussion of graduate growth within the broader legislative context.

Consultation: VPDGS Miller

The committee consulted with Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies Miller on several topics related to graduate education, including recent admission outcomes and a discussion of targets and strategies for the following year. Other topics of discussion included self-supporting (SSGPDP) and professional degree supplemental tuition (PDST) graduate programs, and recent initiatives from the Graduate Division, including for nonresident tuition support fellowship and professional development opportunities for graduate students.

Planning: December 7 Meeting

The committee briefly discussed planned items for its next meeting.