

**COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET
MINUTES
February 27, 2020**

Present: Bruce Schumm (Chair), Matthew Clapham (Vice Chair), Kimberly Lau (*ex officio*), David Brundage (*ex officio*), Deborah Gould, David Helmbold, Minghui Hu, Dard Neuman, Nirvikar Singh, Marilyn Walker, Fitnat Yildiz, Matthew Mednick (Senate Director), Esthela Bañuelos (Senate Analyst)

Absent: None.

Member Items

Chair Schumm announced that FTE review materials were delayed and now expected to be provided to the Senate on February 28. He noted CPB will draft its first pre-consultation memo based on online review of materials.

Chair Schumm announced that he and member Singh met with Budget Director Register on compensation pressures.

Chair Schumm announced that the Chancellor has announced the Joint Senate-Administration Working Group on Graduate Education. Two CPB members will serve on that group. He also noted that the Cost of Attendance Working Group is in process.

Review of Standardized Testing Task Force Report

CPB reviewed the final report of the Academic Council's Standardized Testing Task Force (STTF). Members discussed a number of issues, including the issue of the role that standardized tests play in contributing to underrepresentation, the need for expanding academic support services, assessment of the effectiveness of program and services.

Review of BOARS Recommendation to Eliminate the ACT/SAT Essay Requirement

CPB reviewed the proposal from the systemwide Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools (BOARS) to eliminate the SAT Essay/ACT Writing Test requirement. The report presented three compelling considerations, including that 1) only three institutions outside of the UC still require the ACT Writing Test or SAT essay, 2) our own UC admissions officials do not consider the scores given concerns about scoring criteria and validity, and 3) strengths in written expression can be better assessed through other aspects of the application. Given these considerations, CPB supported the BOARS recommendation to eliminate the SAT essay/ACT Writing Test requirement.

Consultation: iCP/EVC

The committee consulted with iCP/EVC Kletzer on the following topics: the graduate student labor action, Office of Planning and budget transition planning, and the CPB/CEP Impaction Study. Budget Director Kimberly Register and iCP/EVC Chief of Staff Linda Rhoads also attended the consultation.

TIM Suspension

VPAA Lee transmitted a proposal from the Technology and Information Management (TIM) faculty requesting suspension of the B.S. and undergraduate minor. Members Helmbold and Walker were recused from the discussion. CPB raised a number of issues related to the need for additional faculty FTE, and will provide its advice to the Committee on Educational Policy.

Cost of Attendance and Compensation Pressures Discussion

Chair Schumm providing updates related to two continuing topics, cost of attendance and compensation pressures. The Cost of Attendance Working Group, led by CPB, will include Professors Greenberg and McKay. CPB Chair Schumm and member Singh will serve on the working group.

Planning: March 6 Meeting

The committee briefly discussed items planned for its next meeting.