# UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY VIDEOCONFERENCE MINUTES MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2016

Attending: Barbara Knowlton, Chair, (UCLA), Edward Caswell-Chen, Vice Chair, (UCD), Benjamin Brecher (UCSB) (alternate), Alicia Tran (Undergraduate Student Representative, UCSB), John Tamkun (UCSC), Anne Zanzucchi (UCM), Judith Rodenbeck (UCR), Tony Smith (UCI), James Rauch (UCSD), Laura Nelson (UCB), Beth Lazazzera (UCLA), Kimberly Peterson (Manager, Academic Planning, IRAP, UCOP), Jim Chalfant (Chair, Academic Senate), Shane White (Vice Chair, Academic Senate), Brenda Abrams (Principal Analyst, Academic Senate)

#### I. Announcements

Chair Chalfant and Vice Chair White will have updates about several ongoing issues. Chair Knowlton hopes to focus the discussion on academic integrity by identifying key issues UCEP might address. The major requirements feedback was sent to the campuses and the rationales are expected to come back to UCEP in January. An additional twenty rationales have been submitted to the Provost's Office and UCEP will review these as well. In January, UCEP will meet by videoconference.

Vice Chair Caswell Chen attended the Academic Council meeting and the Provost's Monthly Budget call for Chair Knowlton. At Council, the non-resident enrollment matter was discussed and a cap of 20% is being floated. UCOP is considering ways to implement the cap at the campuses which are currently over. This cap will be campus by campus rather than a systemwide percentage. Students are concerned about not only tuition but housing and other issues. UCOP is trying to use innovative ways to increase the housing available for students, including the use of outside contractors. UC will not act as an arm of immigration law enforcement. There is funding for additional graduate students. Provost Dorr expressed appreciation for UCEP's contribution to the Major Requirements Initiative. Council also discussed the Lecturer with Security of Employment and UCEP will have the opportunity to opine on this policy early next year.

#### II. Consent Calendar

**Action:** The November minutes were approved.

#### III. Consultation with the Academic Senate Office

- Jim Chalfant, Chair, Academic Senate
- Shane White, Vice Chair, Academic Senate

Chair Chalfant echoed Provost Dorr's appreciation for UCEP's work on the Major Requirements. Council discussed the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals and there will be a statement of support for undocumented students at UC. UCOP is looking at a process for re-bid for Los Alamos and with a new Department of Energy the outcome is not necessarily clear. A town hall at UCR focused on problems with shared governance at that campus as well as issues that are common to the other campuses. UCOP's International Thinking Day will be in March and an Innovation Day is also being planned. BOARS is considering various issues related to non-resident students.

The Regents meeting began with individuals in the public comment session calling for the resignation of one Regent whose sexually inappropriate comments recently came to light. The 2017-2018 budget includes a request for funding for 900 graduate students, a 4% increase to the base budget, and funding for UCRP. It should be noted that the state's funding for UCRP is far from what it ought to be. Any

tuition adjustment will be around 2.5%. UC has \$1.3B in debt for capital improvements. UC received a record \$2.1B in gifts but only \$76 million of this will go to students. What UC does with admissions will not only impact the University but any mistakes could have consequences. It is appropriate for the Senate to discuss the budget and continue to point out what is needed for education.

**Discussion:** Chair Knowlton asked if a statement from UCEP about the value of non-resident students would be helpful and Chair Chalfant agreed that it would be. Data on the number of non-resident students who remain in California would be useful but Institutional Research is still in the early stages of identifying data sources.

### IV. Academic Dishonesty & Identity Verification in Online Courses

There are numerous issues related to academic dishonesty but Chair Knowlton would like UCEP's initial focus to be upon online courses. If UCEP can define the academic dishonesty issues it may make it easier to discuss ILTI. Chair Knowlton asked members to suggest what type of policy UCEP might want to recommend.

**Discussion:** San Diego's education policy committee suggested that all UC campuses should have testing centers. Students taking the same exam at different locations should at least be required to take the test at the same time. A member proposed that UCEP investigate problems the campuses have discovered and what campuses have done to address academic dishonesty in online courses. The deans and associate deans could be asked about their experience. Focusing on campus specific courses first may make more sense than trying to sort out issues related to online cross campus courses. It was clarified by Chair Chalfant that ILTI has not asked UCEP to discuss the academic dishonesty issue. A precondition for promoting cross campus courses to faculty would be a policy related to testing centers.

The Course Hero website allows students to share copies of exams. Some faculty feel that there should be a discussion about penalties for individuals who cheat. Chair Knowlton would like to know how online exams are administered at the campuses and how the faculty who teach them deal with academic dishonesty. UCEP will consider best practices during the committee's February 6<sup>th</sup> videoconference.

## V. Clery Policy on Crime Awareness and Campus Security

• David Lane, Systemwide Deputy Compliance Officer, Ethics, Compliance and Audit Service, UCOP

UCEP has the opportunity to comment on the Clery Act. Deputy Lane explained that the campus Clery coordinators wanted to have a systemwide policy.

**Discussion:** The Clery Act is based on geography and therefore applies to crimes occurring on non-UC property. Faculty participating in education abroad programs need to be aware of the policy requirements. Information about who is designated a Campus Security Administrator should be available to faculty.

Chair Knowlton reminded members that they will be assigned two to three more rationales to review and this will be on the agenda for February. Members will find out about academic integrity issues related to online courses at the campuses and it is hoped that this will inform the committee's future discussions about ILTI.

Meeting adjourned at: 11:50

Minutes prepared by: Brenda Abrams

Attest: Barbara Knowlton