I. Approval of the agenda and November and December minutes

Action Taken: The agenda and minutes were approved as noticed 8-0-0.

II. Chair’s Report

Chair James Chalfant

The Chair moved on to Item III.

III. Consultation Regarding the State Budget and the Governor’s Compact

James Steintrager, Academic Senate Vice Chair
Han Mi Yoon-Wu, Executive Director, Undergraduate Admissions
Monica Lin, Academic Senate Executive Director

Vice Chair Steintrager said that the legislature had put forward language that UCLA needed to offer TAG agreements, or it would lose a significant amount of funding. He and Executive Director Yoon-Wu had a call with SGR regarding the issue. As of now, it is assumed that the requirement will end up in the budget trailer bill which will be introduced on February 1. The governor is interested in transfer issues, and he is interested in making UCLA transfer better. There may be a view in the governor’s office that the transfer process is not sufficiently clear for students and TAGs and ADTs are the way to tackle it.

Executive Director Lin said that the proposed solution is not going to address the transfer problem. The Academic Senate has two main concerns about this proposal. One primary concern is the prospect of introducing TAGs to a UC campus that is already very highly selective. It is going to accomplish nothing but reducing the number of spots that UCLA can fill through comprehensive review processes, making the transfer pipeline to UCLA less diverse than it is currently. The other major issue with regard to ADT pathways that they were primarily designed to facilitate transfer from the community colleges to the CSU. While there may be some overlap, they are not well-suited to positioning community college students for success at UC.

The committee discussed the issue of TAGs, ADTs and Pathways.

IV. Update: Procedures Document

Chair Chalfant remarked that the Academic Council reviewed the procedures document and seemed very supportive of ACSCOTI’s work. He told the Academic Council that he thought it was feasible for ACSCOTI to have comments on every major that has a pathway by the end of the year. He said that he would like to start work on the Physics pathway next month and report back.

Members had questions and there was discussion.
V. New Business

There was no new business.

The committee adjourned at 11:57 a.m.