UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA ACADEMIC SENATE COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE AFFAIRS

Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday, July 1, 2015 10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

I. Consent Calendar

A. Approval of the Agenda <u>Action Taken</u>: The agenda was approved as noticed.

II. Chair's Report

The Chair remarked that CCGA had an important influence on the development of the SSGPDP policy. The process had been protracted but is approaching finalization. The only section left to put final touches to, she said, was the implementation section, but it should be less difficult to solve now that the policy is in order. Given our collection of plans for SSGPDPs and for PDSTs via the Graduate Councils, we can expect to receive a flood of professional program proposals (SSGPDPs and PDSTs). In accordance with our strategy paper the graduate councils on the campuses are going to have to watch carefully to ensure that both types of programs are not compromising the University's mission but are still generating funds for supporting the core mission of the university. Once policy is sent to the campuses in the summer it will help them come up with a more complete proposals, including critical budget information and information about faculty workload.

The Chair noted that CCGA has also battled the issue of degree titles from the beginning of the year and has stood its ground successfully. In several cases, CCGA has implemented its criteria for degree titles and in some cases - requested explanations about titles from proposers and then accepted the rationale for using an M.S. degree title (e.g., when the norm in that field is to use the M.S. title). In other cases, CCGA requested a name change, and the proposers changed the name to Master of x.

Academic Planning Council Update - Chair Jutta Heckhausen

The Chair noted, as above, that the SSGPDP policy is close to finished. Director of Academic Planning Greenspan will be giving a presentation to APC about plans for SSGPDPs and PDSTs based on the information CCGA collected from local GCs, and thus update the Five-Year Planning Perspectives. The Open Access Policy is finished and the International Policy is ongoing. The APC plans for 2015-16 are budget implementation, pathways for three-year degrees, enrollment planning, online programs, and post-baccalaureate certificates.

Academic Council Update - Chair Jutta Heckhausen

The Sexual Violence Policy was not ready by the deadline, so the President issued an interim policy to meet July deadline and fulfill legal requirements.

The CC to UC Pathways initiative is stalled for the moment because the community colleges are not sure how to distribute information. That is proving to be a stumbling block.

The Legislature has offered UC \$25M to fund the admission of 5K more undergraduate students, but it is one-time funding. They want to admit these students by 2016-17, which is an almost impossible proposition. There is no long term plan for funding after that. This will be an ongoing topic.

ACSCANR Update – Vice Chair Valerie Leppert

The Vice Chair provided some background on ANR, its relationship to UC, and the role that ACSCANR plays. ACSCANR had recently developed some recommendations for Council relative to ANR that she shared: better integration of ANR's outreach for UC as a whole to help UC get more public support and

diversify its student population; development of synergistic partnerships between UC and ANR to better position both to bring in significant research dollars.

The Vice Chair also explained that about half of ANR budget currently comes from taxes on the campuses; the ANR Director had recently asked for a change so that it would receive a direct cut off the top as opposed to the tax. There is going be a task force to take this on, and the ACSCANR recommendations will be given to the task force to take into consideration.

Council of Graduate Deans Update - Vice Chair Valerie Leppert

The Vice Chair said that the Graduate Deans had discussed clarification of the ICAS database: students cannot be obligated to select race/ethnicity for database. They also discussed the search committee VP for ORGS, who will cover research and graduate education. The committee will have two representatives from COGD; Mary Gilly has put forward Vice Chair Leppert's name. The Affordable Care Act has obligations for graduate student coverage; the graduate deans are going to have to track and respond to this. The tentative date for Grad Slam is April 22 for next year, and the date for the in-person COGD is October 26.

III. Consultation with Academic Senate Leadership

Mary Gilly, Academic Council Chair

The budget has been signed and the University has a new four percent revenue base increase which has been extended. UCRP will get \$96M, but with no acknowledgement that the state is responsible for contributing to UC's retirement. There is, however, deferred maintenance funding. The University has agreed to no resident tuition increase for two years, but then it can increase it pegged to inflation. NRST was authorized by the Regents to increase up to eight percent annually; PDST is being increased for everything but Law.

Enrollment numbers are to be released tomorrow. There are 1200 fewer California resident SIRs than last year; transfer is up slightly. Diversity is about the same. The increase in non-resident is about 10 percent; 5200 waitlisted students were accepted.

The University has 10 majors set for transfer initiatives, with 11 more being prepared in the coming year. There will be a press conference showcasing the work and accomplishment at Davis on July 7th that will include representatives from UC, CSU and CCC. Articulation is another big issue. There is the discussion of systemwide transfer pathways and concern about where and how IGETC fits in.

The Sexual Assault/Violence Task Force is comprised of over 100 people, only two of whom were faculty. The draft policy was very student-focused and Council had very detailed feedback. Another draft is in process but there is a lot of pressure to do it as quickly as possible.

IV. Proposed Graduate Degrees and Programs for Review

- A. Proposal for Ph.D. in Education at UC San Diego Lead Reviewer Tania Israel The Chair reported that the Lead Reviewer was travelling, but had received responses from the campus and had written her report, which was positive.
 <u>Action Taken:</u> The proposal was approved 10-0-1.
- B. Proposal to establish a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Public Health Sciences at UC Davis Lead Reviewer David Salmon
 The Lead Devicement the review of the review.

The Lead Reviewer sent the proposers some comments but the proposers had trouble with the deadline. They intend to respond over the summer. The lead proposer is retiring and there is some questions as to how and if the proposal will continue. C. Proposal to establish a Master of Science SSP in Applied Statistics at UC Los Angeles – *Lead Reviewer John Bolander*

The Lead Reviewer felt that he received an acceptable response from the campus although he is less than enthusiastic about some items (e.g., potential faculty teaching overload). Nevertheless, it was sufficient overall. The Chair responded that the campus graduate council could follow up on the program in one year and review whether there were adverse effects on state-funded undergraduate or graduate programs in the academic unit. The campus representative agreed that the UCLA graduate council would be following it closely, but that a year may be too soon to determine its viability. *Action Taken: The proposal was approved 10-0-1.*

- D. Proposal for a Master of Public Affairs SSP at UC Berkeley

 Lead Reviewer Karen Duderstadt

 The Lead Reviewer has received nine rejections in trying to secure reviewers for the proposals. She finally has found committed reviewers and has one review in. She is still in communication with the Goldman School about budget.
- E. Proposal to establish a Master of Legal and Forensic Psychology SSP at UC Irvine *Lead Reviewer Tania Israel*

The Lead Reviewer communicated that she had 3 reviews lined up and was expecting them to come in during July.

F. Proposal to establish a Master of Earthquake Engineering SSP at UC Berkeley – *Lead Reviewer Valerie Leppert* The Lead Reviewer said that there were some concerns expressed about the enrollment projections and resulting financial liability, and that the program has responded. The proposers secured an independent assessment and feel comfortable with the enrollment targets. The other significant concern was about the preparation being required for students and the limited course offerings. The program responded that they have a very precise focus and that their offerings are appropriate. UCPB expressed no significant concerns.

Action Taken: The proposal was approved 10-0-1.

- G. Proposal to establish a Master's Entry Program in Nursing [MEPN] M.S.N. at UC Davis (SSGPDP) *Lead Reviewer Rene Lysloff /David Lo* No reviewer was present for this proposal.
- H. Proposal to establish a Master of Arts (4+1) in Art History at UC Irvine *Lead Reviewer Dar Roberts* (UCSB)
- I. Proposal to establish a Master of Laws in American Law (LL.M.) SSP at UC Irvine -- *Lead Reviewer David Salmon (UCSD)*
- J. Proposal to establish a Master Degree of Social Sciences (MaSS) SSGPDP at UCLA -- Lead Reviewer Ken Kletzer (UCSC)
 The Lead Reviewer expressed concern about whether the program will attract enough market and whether it's appropriately titled.
- K. Proposal to establish a Master of Arts in Teaching Asian Languages at UCLA -- *Lead Reviewer John Bolander (UCD)*

V. Transfers, Consolidations, Disestablishment, and Discontinuances

A. Request to Renew the Interim Individual Graduate Program (IIGP) at UC Merced – Economics (ECON), Public Health (PH), Mechanical Engineering (ME), and Bioengineering and Small-Scale

Technologies (BEST) <u>Action Taken:</u> The proposal was approved 8-0-2.

VI. SSGPDP Policy Implementation Language

The Chair reported that edits were down to one section: information about budget, costs, etc. The new text that was being proposed includes information on "reads": information that allows CCGA and UCPB to be confident that they have accounted for costs and that they are not forgetting about a major portion of expenses. Director of Academic Planning Greenspan said that he feels that the document is nearly finished. He believes that the final draft will be sent out over the summer. At that point, a recommendation will go from APC to the Provost, to the President, and the Policy should be in place by January.

VII. CCGA Handbook Changes Regarding SSGPDPs

The Chair brought forward a proposed change to the Handbook. Currently, Appendix B, Section 6 Resource requirements, reads:

"Section 6. Resource requirements

Estimated for the first 5 years the additional cost of the program, by year, for each of the following categories:

- 1) FTE faculty
- 2) Library acquisition
- 3) Computing costs
- 4) Equipment
- 5) Space and other capital facilities
- 6) Other operating costs

Indicate the intended method of funding these additional costs.

If applicable, state that no new resources will be required and explain how the program will be funded. If it is to be funded by internal reallocation, explain how internal resources will be generated. State Resources to Support New Programs. The resource plan to support the proposed program should be clearly related to campus enrollment plans and resource plans. Campuses should provide detailed Information on how resources will be provided to support the proposed program: from resources for approved graduate enrollment growth, reallocation, and other sources. What will the effects of reallocation be on existing programs? For interdisciplinary programs and program be on the contributing program(s)? When the proposed program is fully implemented, how will faculty FTE be distributed among contributing and new programs?"

The Chair proposed that after this text would read:

"Resources to Support New SSGPDP Programs. For self-supporting graduate professional degree programs, no state-funds can be used. All needed resources have to be calculated as costs and covered by the revenue generated by the proposed program. Needed resources include all resources listed under section 6. Resource requirements. Arrangements using currently vacant space or willingness of current faculty to teach overtime without pay are not considered sustainable for supporting a new SSGPDP."

After some discussion, the committee agreed to the new paragraph with one change. The last sentence would be deleted and replaced with the following:

"CCGA is particularly concerned about faculty workload and its impact on research and on state supported instructional programs."

Action Taken: Members voted unanimously to accept the change to the Handbook.

VIII. Online Certificate/Masters Programs – Stakeholder Convening

Belinda Sirha - Issues Management, Policy Analysis & Coordination

IMPAC Coordinator Belinda Sirha reported that online education is part of her portfolio, and that the

governor strongly believes that UC should be doing more in online professional education (e.g., online masters and certificates). He requested that OP convene stakeholders to determine what they think is important to share with potential partners and also what questions they might have. She said that the governor is probably thinking about large companies and corporations and also the public sector as part of this project.

Members stated that they did not think UC would be interested in providing a service that CSUs provide, but instead something that only a research university can provide that would be consistent with UC's mission. They also said that they would be interested in thinking about projects related to social entrepreneurship and foundations.

Several questioned if there would be a way to distinguish between online and traditional student on the final certificate or degree. Similarly, if the online course was valued as highly as the traditional course. One member remarked that UC has done a lot of online education and a lot of industry education, but it has not done a statewide or a regional or comprehensive survey of employers. Information should be gathered to determine what degrees might interest employers, regardless of the format.

IX. New Business

The question was raised of how to handle reviews with the increasing number of proposals and the differences in schedules with campuses who are on the quarter versus the semester systems.

The next meeting will be August 13 via telephone.