UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA ACADEMIC SENATE
UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY
TELECONFERENCE MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2014

Attending: Tim Labor, Chair (UCR), Tracy Larrabee, Vice Chair (UCSC), Nicholas Sitar (UCB), Ann Plane (UCSB), Donald Curtis (UCSF), Troy Carter (UCLA), Tony Smith (UCI), Seeta Chaganti (UCD), Mary Beth Pudup (UCSC), Jack Vevea (UCM), Mark Springer (UCR), Andrew Kenney (Graduate Student Representative), Hilary Baxter (Assistant Director, Academic Planning, Programs and Coordination, UCOP), Bill Jacob (Chair, Academic Senate), Mary Gilly (Vice Chair, Academic Senate), Brenda Abrams (Principal Analyst**)**

I. Announcements

Chair Labor announced changes to today's agenda. The five year planning perspectives are not available for the committee to review. The LEAP memo outlining UCEP's comments was submitted to Chair Jacob for ICAS. The UCD discontinuation memo was not commented upon and the doctoral support conference memo was submitted. The AP and cross campus enrollment memos will be discussed today. Chair Labor attended the last Academic Council by telephone. The first issue discussed was the shooting incident at UCSB on May 23rd. Council received an update on the budget and the chair noted that the medical centers could be in the red by 2018. ILTI will continue next year but it is not a line item in the budget. A task force on conflict of commitment is being created to deal with accusations about doctors accepting payments from pharmaceutical companies. The UCFW chair reported that the total remuneration study is moving forward as planned. President Napolitano commented on the UCSB incident and felt that the campus handled the incident well. There will be a TA strike on June 9th. UC Path will go live in January. Provost Dorr reported that Each campus will receive $250K for ILTI, and there will be $1.2M for structural costs, $1M for course revisions, and $1.5M for UCOE education recharges. Council discussed preparing a memo for the president with a strong statement in support of systemwide research. Council helped wordsmith a vision statement about UC international engagement. Council also discussed bylaw 16 deals which deals with establishing a search committee to find the Executive Director of the Senate office.

Vice Chair Larrabee attended part of a meeting of all the UC registrars at the suggestion of ILTI Interim Director Williams. There were three representatives from ILTI who seemed disorganized and intent on blaming others including UCEP for problems with online education at UC. Policies are different across the campuses and UCEP was blamed by these individuals for not legislating this. On the other hand, these individuals also wanted to blame UCEP for legislating anything that might get in UCOE's way. UCEP should not assume that there is a common landscape across the campuses when considering policies in the future. UCSB online courses that previously existed did not have to be reviewed by a divisional educational policy committee.

Discussion: Associate Director Baxter explained that the five year planning perspectives are delayed while information is reconciled with UCOP's data and making sure that the document is user friendly. The UCSB representative indicated that two to three online courses offered through summer session were not vetted but all courses offered in the past two years have been. A policy was adopted at UCSB requiring the approval of an online version of a traditional courses or a new online course. UCLA did not have a policy in place when UCEP decided to stop reviewing the online courses and this campus decided not to single out online courses with a special review. The UCLA representative anticipates that the policy that is established will be a sound one because the campus has taken its time. The UCSB faculty have to answer thirteen very specific questions. UCEP should be mindful of anything that can be standardized in the future.

II. Consent Calendar

Action: The minutes were approved.

III. Consultation with the Academic Senate Leadership

- *Bill Jacob, Chair, Academic Senate*
- *Mary Gilly, Vice Chair, Academic Senate*

Chair Jacob shared that he was in Santa Barbara following the shooting and at the memorial. The events were extremely painful but the chair was impressed by the counseling services available to the undergraduate students. The chair noted that there were services in place for the students including support from other UC campuses. In terms of the transfer action team report, BOARS will do some work on the transfer preparation pathways. The Senate got two of the three things it wanted with composite benefits. Nine month faculty will have a separate summer rate for their research grants. Each campus will have as many as four optional composite rates as well as the ten systemwide rates. The medical campuses did not get what was wanted which is not combining the x and y into one rate. Vice Chair Gilly reported on a meeting at Apple in Cupertino which the provost invited her to attend. There were several interesting presentations including one about bringing technology to UC campuses.

IV. Presidential Policy on Self-Supporting Graduate Professional Degree Programs

Chair Labor invited members to share concerns about the presidential policy. The chair flagged a statement about self-supporting undergraduate programs and suggested this reference should be deleted. This appears on page 13 of the agenda in the section on programs that are not eligible.

Discussion: This policy is not directly relevant to UCEP. The committee discussed removing the reference to undergraduate programs. Associate Director Baxter commented that the Academic Planning Council discussed this issue and the Senate representative may have been the person who suggested including the reference to undergraduate programs. Members briefly discussed the idea that there could be credible ideas for self-supporting undergraduate degree programs in the future. A self-supporting program might be one that is funded by a private donor as opposed to one that is supported just by student fees. It was noted that the policy states that regular faculty will not receive additional credit for teaching these courses. Adjunct faculty may be good, but they do not serve on committees, they do not share the administrative workload and they do not participate in research the way regular faculty do. In the future there could be more adjuncts who do significant teaching but do not generate funds like regular faculty. UCSB was also concerned that the new programs might drain resources from existing programs. The policy also discusses faculty buy-out. The policy suggests that the buy out would not apply to the accrual of time for sabbatical. Chair Jacob proposed that UCEP should ask about the sabbatical issue. Vice Chair Gilly and Associate Director Baxter do not think sabbatical question was discussed by the Academic Planning Council.

Action: Chair Labor will draft a memo outlining the committee's concerns.

V. Campus Five Year Planning Perspectives

Associate Director indicated that some additional information is being collected before the planning perspectives are shared with UCEP. Approximately 200 programs are in the pipeline and 49 will be for undergraduates. The new undergraduate programs will be primarily in the physical and life sciences. Merced has the greatest number of programs, followed by San Diego. Of the graduate programs, 56 of the programs will be self-supporting which equals the number of SSGDP in place now.

VI. AP Requirements

Chair Labor asked the committee to comment on the AP credit memo, which should state that these are equivalent to college level courses.

Discussion: Chair Jacob commented that the memo is good. The committee voted to approve the memo which will be sent back to UCOPE for feedback.

VII. Cross Campus Enrollment Policies

Chair Labor reviewed the draft memo that responds to questions from UCOE about cross campus enrollment. One recommendation is to separate online education from cross campus enrollment. Academic advising associated with the courses should be available at the campus offering the course.

Discussion: The memo is comprehensive and responsive to the questions raised. An absence of cross-campus enrollment should not inherently be interpreted as a problem. Reasons for limited cross campus enrollment may include that the anticipated demand is not there or that students identify with the specific campus they attend. There are concerns at UCI about articulation. Counselors should be available to help students manage the articulation process.

VIII. New Business

There was no New Business.

IX. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

Meeting adjourned at: 11:30 AM
Minutes prepared by: Brenda Abrams
Attest: Tim Labor