# UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET (UCPB) ANNUAL REPORT 2002-2003

# TO THE ASSEMBLY OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE:

UCPB met eight times in the 2002-2003 session. The major activities of the committee and the issues it addressed during the year are noted in the following report.

# **Consultations with UCOP**

UCPB was briefed on and responded to a range of issues that included:

- The Budget state budget negotiations and economic projections, presentations to the Regents, budgetary strategies.
- Planning Issues quality and access issues in the face of budgetary constraints; enrollment projections; response to the audit of the Partnership Agreement; admissions GPA; summer instruction; graduate student issues.
- Multicampus Research Units (see below)
- Library and Scholarly Publication Issues
- Endowment Spending

# **Multi-Campus Research Units**

Participation in Reviews. In accordance with its role as stipulated in the compendium, UCPB considered and commented on the 15-year comparative review of UC Mexus, The Linguistic Minority Research Institute (LMRI), and the Institute for Global Conflict and Cooperation (IGCC). UCPB endorsed the continuation of all three MRUs, expressing general support for the current direction being taken by IGCC and UC Mexus, and making several specific recommendations for ways to enhance the LMRI

Proposal for Establishment of New Bioengineering MRU. UCPB expressed general support for this proposal, recommending a short-term follow up review once it is established to re-assess its status as an MRU and to monitor progress. Other. Additionally, the committee reviewed the 2001-02 Annual Report on Changes Affecting ORUs and MRUs; offered nominations for members for the 15-Year review committee for California Sea Grant; and discussed the outcome of the Senate's review of CalSpace.

Consideration of the MRU Review Process. The committee held several in-depth discussions on the planned restructuring of the MRU review process itself, on which the Office of Research had in the past year solicited recommendations from UCPB and UCORP. Some of the focal points were: freeing up funds for new programs, creating a structure for competition for funds, and identifying an appropriate review structure for MRUs that are facilities based. As one of its first orders of business for the upcoming year, UCPB will finalize its discussion of the MRU review purpose and process, and submit a set of formal recommendations.

Senate Review of the California Institutes for Science an Innovation

Last year, UCPB initiated a discussion of long-term planning for the California Institutes for Science and Innovation, engaging in dialogue with UCOP and with the Institute Directors on several areas of concern. The committee followed up in 2002-03 with a focus on establishing Senate oversight and what the review structure would be. UCPB formulated a formal position stating the premises for review and recommending a two-tiered (i.e., both campus and systemwide level) structure for Senate review of the Cal ISIs, which was submitted to the Academic Council and forwarded, along with a recommendation from UCORP, to the Office of Research.

#### **Academic Initiatives**

UCPB considered and acted on the following proposed academic initiatives:

Proposal on Part-time Enrollment for Community College Transfer Students – UCPB recommended implementation as a pilot program that will have a follow up evaluation.

UC Davis Preliminary Proposal to Reconstitute the Division of Biological Sciences as the College of Biological Sciences – endorsement pending full proposal

UC Santa Cruz Proposal for a Name Change from the Division of Natural Sciences to the Division of Physical and Biological Sciences -approved

Preliminary Review of the Model Development Plan for the UC Capital Center (UCCC) - The committee recommended that UCCC development and improvements be planned for and carried out in phases and with ongoing Senate involvement. Although there may be future questions about faculty, residences, and student enrollment, UCPB saw the Sacramento Center as having strong potential for forging beneficial links with state government and as a desirable center for research.

*UC Santa Cruz Proposal for Establishment of College Ten* - approved in principle with recommendations.

*UC Irvine Proposal for Establishment of the School of Information and Computer Science* – approved.

*UCM School of Management-* (see below)

5-Year Perspectives: In accordance with the Compendium, UCPB receives a compilation of campus Five-year Perspectives each year from UCOP for comment. The committee suggested that review of the lists be made more meaningful by including additional information on programs that are likely to develop into proposals in the near future. More specific direction from the Office of Academic Initiatives as to the kind of response and the purpose of the review was also suggested for future distribution of the Perspectives.

# **Indirect Cost Recovery**

This year UCPB continued its review of indirect cost recovery in fulfillment of the charge given the committee by the Academic Council in November of 2001. An interim report was submitted last year. This year a final report went to the Academic Council for endorsement at its July meeting. The final report, which was the product of a UCPB subcommittee in consultation with UCORP, presented findings on how recovered indirect costs are generated, used, and perceived, and offered a set of recommendations on oversight and allocation. The report was forwarded to the President for response and possible action.

# **Accountability 1.5**

Another project undertaken last year and continued in 2002-03 was a reconsideration of and update of the 1999 UCPB report, "Accountability 1.5." The report proposed measures of accountability of the university administration to the faculty and to the core academic enterprise, looking at faculty productivity and support for that work. This year a UCPB subcommittee adopted a working model for overall methodology, indices, benchmarks, and data gathering and analysis. An interim report is planned for the fall, with a final report to be completed within the 2003-04 term.

# **Budget Proposal**

UCPB's proposal "Increasing Access and Sustaining Excellence" was submitted to the Academic Council at the end of the 2001-2002 term, but did not receive full divisional and committee review until the end of the current year. In light of the escalating budgetary issues of this year, the proposal, which sets forth recommended principles and actions in response to the budget, will be updated. A revised proposal will be one of the first orders of business for the 2003-04 session.

# **Review of Proposed Amendments to Sections of the APM**

UCPB reviewed and formally responded to the following proposed amendments to APM sections and proposed new APM sections:

APM 740 - Sabbatical Leave

*APM 390 – Post Doctoral Scholars* 

APM 310 - Professional Research series; Proposed New APM 311 -Project Scientist series; Technical Changes to APM 620-14 - Off-scale Salaries

*APM 715 – Family Medical Leave* 

APM 010 - Policy on Academic Freedom

# **UC Merced**

A UCPB representative sat on the UCM Task Force and reported task force activities to the committee. UPCB opined on the "Perspective for a UCM School of Management," recommending that a full proposal take into consideration concerns regarding quality and feasibility. In addition, UCPB invited the UCM

Executive Vice Chancellor and the Chair of the UCMTF to its March meeting to discuss UCM planning in general, and in particular the unfolding effects of the state budget on the opening of the campus.

# **UCPB Liaisons with Other Systemwide Bodies**

The Chair, Vice Chair or a committee member represented UCPB on these committees: Academic Council, Academic Planning Council, Executive Budget Committee, Council on Research, UC Merced Task Force, Technology Transfer Advisory Committee, the Systemwide Library and Scholarly Information Advisory Committee, and the Joint Task Force on Faculty Instructional Activities.

# UCPB reviewed and formally commented on the following additional issues and proposals:

UCORP Resolution on SUTI - endorsed

Proposed Retirement Benefits for UC Health Sciences Faculty - UCPB recommended that among the proposed options for changing health sciences retirement benefits, the one having the least impact on UCRS should be pursued. Outside Funding Constraints - UCPB recommended to Council that the Senate continue its consideration of restrictions attached to outside funding and how policy is made regarding such agreements.

Equivalency Status for Cooperative Extension Specialists - UCPB did not support the proposal, recommending that the notion of tenure be dissociated from the request for a change in status for CE Specialists, and that an alternative policy be drafted for case-by-case review of requests for a change in status to a non-tenured faculty appointment.

Five-Year Review of the Agricultural Experiment Station of the Division of Natural Resources

Senate Response to the Joint Committee Report on the Master Plan for Education Proposed Revisions of Senate Bylaws

Discussion with UCORP on the activities of the Subcommittee on DOE Labs

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