UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND BUDGET

Minutes of Teleconference January 5, 2016

I. Chairs' Announcements

Shane White, UCPB Chair

Dan Hare, Academic Council Chair

Update: Chair Hare updated the committee on the work of the Retirement Options Task Force to date. He stressed that the PEPRA cap lowers the upper limit of retirement income available and that the cash value of time and compound interest make it difficult to off-set the losses with common structures and strategies. He added that the PEPRA cap also requires a logic different from that employed in 2010 and that Post-employment benefits discussion. Chair White added that there are also differential earning expectations for DB and DC plans, which further exacerbate the differences between the status quo ante and the expected changes for new employees as of July 1, 2016.

II. Consultation with the Office of the President – Budget

Debbie Obley, Associate Vice President, Budget Analysis and Planning Todd Greenspan, Director, Academic Planning, Institutional Research and Academic Planning

1. Enrollment

Issue: AVP Obley reported that UC actually needs to enroll about 6500 new undergraduates in the fall of 2016 because the 2015 fall enrollment total declined, but UC is being measured against 2014 fall enrollments. UCOP is still working to make Summer Session a trailing quarter. Political pressures require that more enrollment growth occur at the largest, most famous campuses, which also already house the largest proportion of non-resident students. Because the DOF fiscal calendar does not match the UC enrollment calendar, "proving" that UC will make the enrollment targets is still a subject of discussion.

2. Agriculture and Natural Resources

Issue: President Napolitano appointed a task force to investigate the operations of ANR and to recommend possible changes in governance and internal financing. The task force should complete its analysis in the spring. The task force is weighing campus goals, ANR goals, and the feedback of various internal and external stakeholders. An expected theme in the report will be the need for greater budget stability, rather than major restructuring of the division.

Discussion: Members inquired how ANR was viewed by politicians and how the ANR budget could be normed against the campuses. Others agreed that ANR is less isolated than in times past, so perhaps governance changes were needed, too. AVP Obley indicated that such work was beyond the scope of the task force; those concerns can be relayed via the Academic Council.

3. State Audit

Issue: AVP Obley reported that UCOP is still answering questions and submitting documents to the state. The DOF will analyze the data and draft a preliminary report, upon which UCOP can comment. UC will get 5 days to issue a written response to the final report, and the state may issue a rejoinder. Issues remain regarding rebenching and its formula, time frame, weighting, consultation process; the state also still has questions about non-resident enrollment and how favorably those students compare with California applicants, how non-resident dollars are used in the system, and if UC spends state funds on recruiting out-of-state students.

III. Self-supporting Program Review

1. UCI Master of Law in American Law

Josh Schimel, UCSB Representative and Lead Reviewer

Discussion: The proposal dedicates 2/3 of revenue for home department overhead, which seems out of balance with other proposals. Faculty overload teaching is not well explained, and space is assumed to be available but no data were submitted.

Action: Rep. Schimel will revise the analysis for transmittal to CCGA.

IV. UC Mexus Academic Review

Discussion: Members began brainstorming questions and topics for the Mexus director to address at the upcoming joint session in February.

Action: Analyst Feer will solicit additional questions and topics via email.

V. Further Discussion

Action: Analyst Feer will poll members for a teleconference time to discuss the ROTF recommendations.

Call ended at 3 p.m.

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