

Coordinating Committee

Ruth Greenblatt, MD, Chair

Thursday, January 7, 2016

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Parnassus, S-30 or by phone

PRESENT: Ruth Greenblatt (Chair), Michelle Arkin, Rena Fox, Jae-Woo Lee, Leah Karliner, Pamela Bellefeuille, Jeff Lotz, Patrick Finley (T), Marek Brzezinski, Janice Tsoh (T), Arthur Miller, Steve Cheung, Cynthia Darling, Janine Cataldo, Michael McMaster, Farid Chehab (T), Liz Watkins, Joseph Guglielmo, Paul Garcia, Don Kishi, Stuart Gansky,

Chair Greenblatt called the meeting to order at 2:07 pm in Parnassus, S-30. A quorum was present.

I. Chair's Report & Executive Session – Ruth Greenblatt

Chair Greenblatt briefed members of systemwide and local issues:

Systemwide Updates:

- **New UCRP Tier:** On January 15th, the Senate will receive the full report from the Task Force, along with President Napolitano's comments/preliminary recommendations. The Governor's Office wants UC to limit its pensions under the new 2016 tier to the PEPRA limit of ~\$117K; this also limits employer contribution options for new tier members considerably, thereby increasing the burden on employees. The new tier will apply to UC employees/faculty who are hired on or after July 1, 2016. Likely, there will be a combination of some kind of defined benefit and defined contribution plans in the new tier. The comment period will be relatively short, and the Senate review will be due at the systemwide Academic Senate by February 15th at the latest.
- **Regents' Committee on Health Services:** UCSF will nominate Peter Carroll to sit on this committee as the UC-wide faculty representative.

UCSF Issues

Information Technology: IT will be the focus of the February Coordinating Committee meeting. There are a number of factors in the complexity of the IT planning on this campus:

- 1) UCSF does not have a fully integrated and centrally operated network, which means that departments and groups can create their own websites, host them in various ways, and these may not be indexed with IT and/or kept up-to-date.
- 2) Many UCSF departments and units lack resources to update web content.
- 3) The IT enterprise is expensive with ever increasing costs related to high energy charges, security efforts, updates, etc. UCSF must also provide optimal security for intellectual property and personal health data, which is challenging.

II. Consent Calendar

Members approved the consent calendar:

- 1) Approval of the Minutes from the December 3, 2015 meeting
- 2) Renaming Proposal to Rename the Microbiology Teaching Laboratory in honor of Warren Levinson
- 3) Renaming Proposal to Rename the School of Pharmacy's Molecular Design Institute (MDI) ORU as the Quantitative Biosciences Institute
- 4) SOP Faculty Council Volunteer Preceptor Proposal

III. RJC Chancellor's Fund Proposal

As part of the Chancellor's Fund, RJC has proposed 1) the development of a faculty-focused portal (Faculty@UCSF) with a robust search engine pulling information from numerous sites across UCSF; and 2) the development of a centralized tagging and indexing system for all UCSF-related websites. RJC has requested \$15,000 (2015-2016) for Phase 1 of this project, which includes discovery and design.

Discussion: This item was pulled off the consent calendar for discussion. As currently drafted, this proposal is essentially a web portal. A number of Coordinating Committee members compared such a site to MyAccess, which has proved beneficial to many faculty. Members approved the proposal and reserved the funds, but Chair Greenblatt encouraged R&J to work closely with the IT Faculty Advisory Committee on this project, Barbara French in University Relations, and EVCP Lowenstein's office. There are significant issues with cost in developing such a portal, and it probably exceeds the amounts requested in the R&J proposal.

IV. Senate Bylaw Amendments

Bylaw 85B

This bylaw amendment concerns the composition of Senate committees. CoC is empowered to allow Associate Deans could serve in some function on Senate committees; under the bylaw amendment, CoC would be empowered to make this decision. Members opined that some Chairs of large departments may actually be more like high-level administrators. Therefore, "Chairs" should be added to the last sentence: "Some committees may be further restricted to faculty without administrative appointments (which are defined as **Chair**, Dean, Vice Dean, Assistant Dean, Associate Dean, or Acting Dean)."

ACTION: Members approved this change to the bylaw.

Bylaw 130

This bylaw concerns the membership on the Coordinating Committee, as well as clarifying the role of students and issues of quorum given the large size of the committee, as currently stated in the bylaw. Members discussed this bylaw change at length. On the grounds of inclusivity, the Coordinating Committee decided not to adopt RJC's suggestion to create a secondary group of committee members – "advisory committee members," which would include Divisional representatives (and alternate representatives) to the systemwide Assembly of the Academic Senate, as well as divisional representatives to systemwide committees for which there is no local counterpart.

ACTION: RJC will reconsider this bylaw amendment and bring it back to the Coordinating Committee at a later date.

V. Update on the Academic Specialists Task Force

This item was postponed until the February Coordinating Committee meeting.

VI. Update on the Implementation of the Amendments to APM 210.1.d.

Last spring, the systemwide Academic Council approved a change to APM 210.1.d with respect to the language on diversity – adding the following to this APM: "Contributions in all areas of faculty achievement that promote equal opportunity and diversity should be given due recognition in the academic personnel process, and they should be evaluated and credited in the same way as other faculty achievements. ... Particularly from underrepresented and underserved populations, should be given due recognition in the teaching or service categories of the academic personnel process." Towards that end, CAP now peruses for contributions to diversity. CAP is also working with the ADVANCE team to modify roll-over text to include contributions to diversity so that faculty can highlight their individual contributions in this area. The challenge is that diversity is not considered as a separate factor (e.g., teaching, research, service, etc.). That said, efforts in this area could belong to creative activities and teaching.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Adjournment

Chair Greenblatt adjourned the meeting at 4:05 p.m.

**Agenda items deemed noncontroversial by the Chair, may be placed on a Consent Calendar agenda item. Approval of all business on the Consent Calendar requires a single unanimous vote. At the request of a committee member, any Consent Calendar item may be extracted for consideration under "New Business" later in the agenda.*

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