UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO

ACADEMIC SENATE

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC PLANNING & BUDGET
Stanton Glantz, PhD, Chair

MINUTES
Meeting of November 15, 2001

PRESENT: Chair S. Glantz, N. Agabian, D. Bainton, A. Kahn, J. Norbeck, J. Showstack


GUEST: A. Meleis

The meeting of the Academic Budget & Planning Committee was called to order by Chair Glantz on November 15, 2001 at 3:40 p.m. in Room S 318. A quorum was present.

Minutes
The Minutes of the meetings of September 19 and October 18, 2001 were approved.

Academic Planning Board/A. Meleis
Dr. Afaf Meleis discussed her experiences with the Academic Planning Board under Chancellor Sooy. This Board was co-chaired by the Vice Chancellors, and the membership included the Senate Chair and Secretary, chairs of some key Senate committees, and faculty from each school. The Board preceded the establishment of the Senate Academic Planning and Budget Committee. The administration under Chancellor Sooy took the Board very seriously, and the Vice Chancellors kept the Board fully informed of relevant campus issues throughout the year. Dr. Meleis recalls that the Board had a very strong sense of commitment to the institution, in large part due to Chancellor Sooy’s full support of the Board and the process.

The Board met monthly during the year except during the review of the schools’ program requests in the spring, when it met weekly. Prior to the spring program review meetings, the Board discussed strategic plans and the priorities for the campus in order to understand the context surrounding the program requests. Chancellor Sooy would attend the spring review meetings with the Board rather than having separate meetings with each of the schools. The Board would make recommendations to the Vice Chancellors who would in turn make recommendations to the Chancellor. If the Chancellor disagreed with the recommendations, he would come back and talk with the Board. Generally, the Chancellor would not approve a program if the Board had not approved.

Chair’s Report/Announcements

• Update on APB Restructure Proposal: Chair Glantz would like to send the proposal forward to the Chancellor.

MOTION: Made, seconded and unanimously approved that the proposal be formally presented to the Chancellor.
Report on November Executive Budget Committee Meeting/J. Norbeck

This was a critical EBC meeting in light of the fiscal problems facing the state; however, there are still many uncertainties as the Governor’s budget will not be released until January 10, 2002. There will likely be a mid-year cut of at least 1%. In addition, there is currently a hiring freeze for all positions funded by state 19900 funds. For fiscal year 2002-03, cuts are likely to be anywhere from 5%-15%. The Office of the President aims to preserve the core academic programs and cut the ‘pork’ out of the budget. Another avenue of mitigation may include increases in fees, particularly professional student fees. Trimming the budget of less critical expenditures and increasing fees would likely leave UCSF with about a 3.5% deficit. This cut is magnified because the campus never fully regained the cuts from the early 1990’s; consequently, there is little additional margin to trim.

After considerable discussion, UCSF has decided to consider 5% cuts for fiscal year 2002-03, although greater cuts may be necessary. On a positive note, it is possible capital projects may be accelerated in an attempt to help stimulate the economy.

Task Force on the 5th School

The task force has met once and plans to meet again on December 5. The task force plans to interview Nancy Adler, Richard Feachem, Philip Bourgois, possibly Haile Debas and others to understand the context of the 5th School proposal. Ultimately, the task force plans to refine some of the questions set forth in its charge and also to make certain recommendations related to any additional pursuit of this proposal.

The Committee emphasized again that the task force needs to determine whether there should be an organized presence in this field on this campus and, if so, whether the 5th School is the best structure for that presence (i.e., if such an endeavor should be formalized, how can these intellectual domains be best brought together in a rational fashion). The Committee also reiterated that the task force should evaluate the proposal in a broader context rather than commenting on the proposal itself.

Old Business

- Populating LRDP Amendment Committee Subcommittees: There are several subcommittees to the Long Range Development Amendment Committee. APB plans to have an APB representative on each of the relevant subcommittees. There are already APB members on the Academic Planning Subcommittee – Jane Norbeck, Zena Werb and Len Zegans. Committee members will recommend names for the other subcommittees at the next APB meeting.

New Business

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.