COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY
Dennis Deen, PhD, Chair

MINUTES
February 22, 2005

PRESENT: D. Deen (Chair), H. Sanchez (Vice Chair), S. Baranzini, M. Feldman, P. Fox, S. Jain, A. Miller, R. Shafer, M. Wheeler, L. Verhey

The meeting of the Committee on Educational Policy (CEP) was called to order by Chair Deen on Tuesday, February 22, 2005 at 2:43pm. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes
The minutes of the January 25, 2005 minutes were approved.

Chair’s Report/Announcements
Chair Deen reported on the February 8, 2005 meeting of the Coordinating Committee. At the meeting it was announced that Sally Marshall, Professor in the School of Dentistry has been appointed as the Associate Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs. Mary Malloy of the Clinical Affairs Committee made a report on Clinical Practice Survey results. Chair Deen noted that some of the clinicians that participated in the survey felt that the Haile T. Debas Academy of Medical Educators (Academy) has not been a successful endeavor and that more money should be put towards programs that can help the entire School of Medicine. It was not clear whether this was a widely-held viewpoint.

Chair Deen and Vice Chair Sanchez met with Leonard Zegans, Chair of the UCSF Division of the Academic Senate and Tamara Maimon, Director of the UCSF Division of the Academic Senate to address on-going issues, matters of concern and priorities for the CEP. L. Zegans was pleased that the Responsible Conduct of Research Proposal was moved forward for consideration by the Senate. L. Zegans feels that the Teaching Facilities Subcommittee is important and he is interested in the outcome of the subcommittee’s work. The Coordinating Committee also has an interest in what plans or model systems will be implemented to address the teaching space issues on the Parnassus campus.

Chair Deen announced that the Office of the President currently sponsors the Program in Medical Education for the Latino Community (Prime-LC) at UC Irvine. The program is designed to improve health care delivery, research and policy in underserved Latino communities. In 2006, UCSF will be the second UC Campus to participate in the program.
Update on University of California Committee on Educational Policy
Vice Chair Sanchez reported on the February 10, 2005 meeting of the system wide Committee on Educational Policy. The primary topic of discussion at the meeting was the University of California’s (UC) budget.

The committee is considering increasing the tuition for students who stay enrolled in programs past the estimated program completion date and for students who enroll in a double major. Currently UC has the highest faculty to student ratio in the nation. The committee is considering ways to reduce the ratio from about 1/20 to 1/17. The UC will be conducting a system-wide exit survey for students. The survey will focus on how students feel about the education they are receiving at UC, what methods they use to study, and how much time is dedicated to studying, etc. Finally, UC Davis’ request to change the name of the Division of Biological Sciences to College of Biological Sciences was approved after much deliberation and consideration by the committee.

Subcommittee Reports

Health Science Institute Proposal
Lynn Verhey, Chair, reported that at the last meeting of the Health Science Institute (Institute) Subcommittee the committee reviewed the role and history of the Academy and found that the goals of the Institute and Academy seem to overlap. L. Verhey presented an interim report on the subcommittee’s findings (Attachment 1).

M. Feldman and Chair Verhey spoke with Micheal Wilkes, Vice Dean of Education at the UC Davis, School of Medicine regarding his ideas about the Institute. M. Wilkes is very enthusiastic and optimistic about the Institute spanning across all of the UC Medical Schools. M. Wilkes has purchased a $100,000 scanner that can be used to scan all educational pathology slides. M. Wilkes agreed to bring up the issue of implementing the Institute at the upcoming quarterly meeting of the Deans of the UC Schools of Medicine.

Vice-Chair Sanchez will contact Molly Cooke, Director of the Academy of Medical Educators, so that a discussion regarding the possibility of housing the Institute can be held at the next meeting of the Academy.

Teaching Facilities
Dick Shafer, Chair, requested a meeting with Vice Chancellor Bruce Spaulding and the members of the subcommittee to discuss the plans for teaching facilities across the UCSF campus. Although VC Spaulding will not be able to meet with the subcommittee, he has asked Lori Yamauchi, Assistant Vice Chancellor of Campus Planning to speak with the committee about their concerns. The Senate Analyst will coordinate a meeting as soon as possible.

Chair Deen encouraged the subcommittee to stay focused on the issues of facilities and resources during their meeting with Asst. VC Yamauchi. He also encouraged them to interview other administrative leaders at UC to get their view on this topic. These individuals included the Associate Deans of Education in each of the schools, the Graduate Dean, the Deans of the schools, and anyone else who might be able to shed some light on this issue. Chair Deen would like the subcommittee to assess the current status of classroom facilities and resources so that an official comment regarding the present status of teaching facilities and resources, and our understanding of campus plans can be generated by the CEP for consideration by the Coordinating Committee. In addition, Chair Deen wants the report to identify specific issues that need to be investigated by an expanded effort (perhaps a Task Force) by the Senate on this matter.
Old Business

Responsible Conduct of Research
Chair Dean reported that at his meeting with L. Zegans, they discussed when the Responsible Conduct of Research Course proposal would be forwarded for consideration by the Executive Committee. Currently, L. Zegans is staggering the forwarding of the letters to ensure that each proposal receives the proper consideration for funding. Sally Marshall is expected to be in charge of determining the feasibility of such courses and L. Zegans believes that she is very supportive of the course.

Copyright Issues
Chair Deen will request Mike Brooks, the UCSF representative to the system wide Instructional Technology committee to make a presentation on issues currently under consideration at the next meeting of the CEP. Chair Deen also spoke with L. Zegans about the complexity of the copyright issues that are being faced by UCSF. Chair Deen feels that a UCSF Senate wide Task Force may be necessary to address these issues. Chair Deen will invite John Showstack, the newly hired Academic Information Technology Coordinator in the Executive Vice Chancellor’s (EVC) office to discuss how the EVC’s office plans on dealing with copyright issues in the future.

New Business

Distinction in Teaching Award Committee
Chair Deen served as a member of the Distinction in Teaching Award Committee this year. The Committee has selected the award recipients for 2004-2005. Chair Deen noted that there were only two candidates for the 5-years or under category and encouraged CEP members to nominate promising faculty for these awards in the future.

There being no further business, Chair Deen adjourned the meeting at 3:43 pm.
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