The Clinical Affairs Committee (CAC) was called to order by Chair Pletcher on March 23, 2011 at 4:36 p.m. in room S 118. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes from February 23, 2011 Meeting
The minutes were approved with revisions.

Chair's Report
Chair Pletcher gave an update on the Coordinating Committee earlier in March 2011.

APB Chair S. Cheung had updated CC on the proposed APM 170 change--which advises on "fees for doing outside work." The background on this is to loosen the cap on outside earnings (from $20K to $40K) and allow additional days allowed (from 21 days to 42 days) and finally, to allow outside clinical activities. At the moment, outside work is limited to consultancy work--but it's now being explored whether clinical work could be included.

Paul Green spoke on the pilot program for backup child and elder care. At the moment, there's a buy-in for the first year, with fee-based (hourly rate) for child or elder care beyond it. They're piloting it through Bright Horizons, which has a pre-existing relationship with UC campuses already.

Ambulatory Operations Group - there is no standard for outpatient clinical procedures. There is a committee being established to develop these. A key issue will be to define what "procedure" is. Chair Pletcher asked if anyone else was interested in participating. This is a UCSF-wide issue.

Presentation on “Decade of Human Biology” Initiative – Clay Johnston, Chair, CTSI Subcommittee of DHB Initiative
This initiative is separate from the overall UCSF Strategic Plan, and is focused on how UCSF can differentiate itself from other health sciences campus and medical centers. There are numerous different committees exploring this initiative – both research and in clinical/translational areas.

The environmental drivers behind the initiative are: cost, public concerns, funding, and education. The
initiative is still very much in the development stage and information is still being gathered. One area that is being explored is grouping research silos together to activate a more holistic approach to what they are separately researching.

Other avenues include encouraging clinical and translational researchers to work together. Clay Johnston is interested in what, other than money, would be an incentive for creating partnership between clinicians and researchers. At present, there are meetings occurring between UCSF and some foundations to fund interprofessional research projects. Once those partnerships are moving forward, they will automatically drive the idea of interprofessional and interdepartmental research. In the background to this is also the notion of supporting the drafting of big grants and of large multi-UC campus studies.

CAC members asked about equaling the haves/have-nots in terms of research and clinical groups. Those groups with a strong pre-existing infrastructure can easily facilitate the above suggested changes—which will then result in them receiving the grants. Those groups without such infrastructure will be unable to move forward in this new model. Members wondered what changes were being proposed to insure that such groups do not fall behind? Clay Johnston will take that notion back to the committee for review.

Other areas impacted by this initiative include the Kaiser/UCSF partnership. Kaiser is already sharing information with the VA, as is the VA sharing information in return. As Kaiser is already on EPIC, it will be easier to facilitate once UCSF switches over.

**Reports from the Schools**

**Medicine**
None.

**Nursing**
The new Dean starts April 2011.

**Dentistry**
None.

**Pharmacy**
None.

**Old Business**
Max Meng updated the task force on the UCSF Senate Membership Task Force. There is the general consensus that people who contribute at the level of Senate membership should be made a Senate member—if only moved over to be Clinical X.

The Task Force is looking at the value of being a Senate member, i.e. grievance process and the side benefits of mortgage assistance, as well as arguments that they can present at the Systemwide Senate level.

**New Business**
None.

Chair Pletcher adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

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