The Committee on Educational Policy was called to order by Chair Loomer on November 17 at 3:10 p.m. in room M-989A. A quorum was present at 3:12pm.

The minutes from September 15, 2010 were approved with edits to membership and library guests.

Chair’s Report
Chair Loomer advised on Systemwide issues that are focused at present on the recommendations from the UC Commission on the Future. These committees are largely focused on undergraduate affairs and do not discuss professional education.

WASC Visit Wrap-up
Joe Castro updated the committee on the WASC wrap-up. The visit went well, the report is forthcoming in February 2011. He will keep us updated on that report and on whether accreditation is granted for 9-years, or 10-year, or less. At present the WASC body is trending to award for less than a decade.

Presentation on Interprofessional Health Education Report – Joseph Castro
Joe Castro presented the preliminary report, which is focused on making interprofessional health a priority and to further push it throughout the campus. There is nothing else in development nationally like this. Both Dean Hawgood and CEO Mark Laret are very interested, as is the Chancellor. Vice Provost Castro feels that we could get five years of funding plus outside funding.

Among the things proposed is the creation of a Center of Excellence for Interprofessional Education, to be staffed by one full-time person and two others. Within each school would be one part-time person, working with other faculty and staff to take it to the next level.

One proposal is to have themes – one per week – focused on medical conditions: i.e., diabetes one week, obesity the next week. Members raised other potential themes including treating developmentally-challenged patients, genomics, or global health.

Still in development is whether or not this could be a clerkship issue, or another model.
The ultimate intention is that every UCSF student will be a part of the interprofessional education effort, although it is still to be determined which graduate programs will be involved.

Member Alliston said the different themes would be easier to produce involvement vs. a joint class between the schools and the graduate division.

Members brainstormed on other avenues including using the TLC, small problem-solving workgroups, or the creation of a video (either one general UCSF video or one per school) shown to first-years about interprofessional opportunities.

Committee members raised issues of logistics and synchronizing these efforts, including classroom size. Or the development of business plans—comprised of interprofessional teams—to create devices or methods to pursue interprofessional education (i.e. device to fight asthma, etc.)

Member Alkon questioned whether the title “interprofessional” should be changed to “interdisciplinary” so as to be inclusive of those without professional degrees and more general or broad backgrounds.

Joe Castro will continue to update the committee as things develop.

**Updates from the Schools**

**SOM**

None.

**SOD**

The School of Dentistry is preparing for accreditation process in 2012.

**SOP**

The School of Pharmacy has hired a new faculty member focusing on the new “policy of teaching”, including the use of education technology and the development of it. Tina Brock is focusing on that—she will focus on technology already in use and

Tina Brock will be invited to attend to discuss her efforts.

**SON**

The School of Nursing is in the process of revising their masters programs. This revision is focusing on core classes and more common-ground educational themes. This Fall 2010 was the roll-out for the new masters’ program and its been challenging for students and faculty, especially with the use of technology.

**Update from the Library**

Professional Education Week in February 2011. Workshops will be both available for sign-up and for drop-in.

Hard Hat tours are available for the SIM Center in the Library, which is opening in January 18-21, 2011.

Construction is underway on bathrooms in the 24/7 study space. They anticipate it being available January 2011.

They are creating an e-reserve as well, to make more articles available to students and faculty (for coursework). Verification of the ‘fair use’ of articles is required prior to articles being added to the e-reserve list.
GALEN accounts will disappear June 2011. The Library is working on implementing MyAccess authentication, which is in line with the ongoing "one-sign-on, one-password" program the campus is implementing.

All of the SYNPASE (synapse.library.ucsf.edu) issues from the original in 1959 to present day have been added online.

Member Kearney raised the issue of the online CHR system. Gail Persily said that hasn't been addressed yet.

Old Business
None.

New Business
None.

Chair Loomer adjourned the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

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