Committee on Educational Policy
Howard Pollick, BDS, MPH, Chair

MINUTES
Tuesday, October 21, 2014

PRESENT: Don Curtis (Vice Chair) (UCEP), David Irby, Leslie Zimmerman

ABSENT: Howard Pollick, Leslie Floren, Karen Hauer, Deborah Johnson, Lynda Mackin, Gail Persily (Permanent Guest)

The Committee on Educational Policy (CEP) was called to order by Vice Chair Curtis on October 21, 2014 at 10:38 a.m. in room U-506. A quorum was not present.

Approval of the Minutes
The Minutes for April 25, 2014 were reviewed. A minor edit was made. The minutes will be submitted for approval at the November 18, 2014 meeting.

Chair’s Report – Don Curtis for Howard Pollick
Charge of Ed Policy
Vice Chair Curtis presented the charge for the committee; the committee addresses campus-wide matters involving legislative or administrative policies involving educational policy as well as establishment and disestablishment of curricula, schools, institutes, and departments.

Coordinating Committee
The following items were discussed at the October 6, 2014 Coordinating Committee:
• $3.2 earmarked for the Teaching and Learning Center
• Senate Regulation 694. Changes were put forward by the CCGA specifying the interval between the filing of advancement to candidacy for a Master’s degree and the conferral of the degree. Discussion has been moved to the November 18, 2014 meeting. Feedback is due on January 16, 2015.
• President Napolitano’s Web Chat. There was no UCSF representation, therefore, no public forum for the needs of UCSF. The following topics were discussed:
  • Compensation and Health Care Benefits
  • NIH Funding Outlook
  • Plans to Support Junior Faculty
  • President’s Take on Basic Science Research
  • Online Education –
  • Faculty’s Role in Advocating for UC
  • Non-Resident Students -

Online Education -
The committee discussed the cost of online courses versus the need for UCSF to be available world-wide. The return on investment for Coursera Courses (>$400,000 vs >$100,000) creates discussion on whether to renew the contract or change vendors. The contract between UCSF and Coursera was entered into
without a business model. The suggestion was made to produce courses on grant funding in particular areas for which there is a need.

Out-of-State Students
It was noted that the increased revenue from out-of-state students may allow enrollment of more in-state students than are actually funded.

Student Grievance Guidelines – David Irby
The changes to the Student Grievance Guidelines were approved in June, 2014.

ACTION: Determine the status of each professional and graduate school’s alignment of their bylaws with these guidelines. Discuss the status with Faculty Councils’ Analyst, Artemio Cardenas, or send a letter to the vice deans requesting an update on the status.

Student Discrimination
The discussion was moved to the November 18, 2014 meeting.

UCEP – Don Curtis
The Board of Regents wants a presentation on the meaning of a UC degree. The question is based on the example of the UC Santa Cruz, BS/JD students who come in with 90 credits from other school and spend one year at a UC campus and get their degree. Is it knowledge, skills or just a culture of the UC degree? Some points raised by the committee were:

- UC branding is recognized and identifiable.
- It provides a status symbol as a top-ranking school.
- Is speaks to the unique contribution of UC vs other universities.
- It may more competitive and provide more impact on students entering the business world.
- As positions in the university get tighter, funding more difficult, recognition is more and more important.
- The brick and mortar experience confers additional benefits to those with at home experience.
- A profession network created. Students study with next generation of leaders.

New Business
The presentation by the Library will be moved to the beginning of the meeting to allow time for discussion of the quality programs provided by the library.

The next meeting of the Committee on Educational Policy will be on November 18, 2014 at 10:30am.

There being no further business, Vice Chair Curtis adjourned the meeting at 11:07 a.m.
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