

**Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation
(CAPRA)**

**Minutes of Meeting
November 18, 2015**

Pursuant to call, the Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation met at 2:00 pm on November 18, 2015 in Room 362 of the Kolligian Library, Chair Mukesh Singhal presiding.

Present: Mukesh Singhal, Anne Kelley, Josh Viers, Will Shadish, Nate Monroe, Marilyn Fogel, Lauren Edwards, and Michelle Acosta Espinosa.

I. Chair's Report

Chair Singhal updated CAPRA members on the following:

--UCPB November 3 meeting. UCPB members discussed the plan to increase undergraduate enrollment across the 9 UC campuses by 5,000 students over the next two years. If this number is not achieved, then additional funding will not be provided to the campuses. This plan will be presented for a vote at this week's Regents meeting. Other significant items of discussion at UCPB were the ROTF (Retirement Options Task Force) update and discussion of self-supporting programs.

--Division Council November 9 meeting. The Provost/EVC attended the beginning of the meeting to discuss the campus incidents of November 4 and asked Council members for their input. He encouraged all faculty members to contact him with suggestions and concerns. Professor Paul Brown from SSHA attended to provide Division Council with an update on the recommendations of the medical education task force which was empaneled last year. The task force submitted its report to Division Council with its recommendations on the implementation of a medical education model. Division Council will consider whether to endorse the recommendations.

II. Consent Calendar

ACTION: The October 28 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

III. Computational Science and Data Analytics (CSDA) Pillar Hiring Plan

The CSDA steering committee chair Mukesh Singhal summarized the pillar's hiring plan which was distributed to CAPRA members prior to this meeting. The steering committee had met with the Provost/EVC, and, in the next few weeks, will determine its hiring process and then proceed to post advertisements for recruitment. Steering committee members are concerned about the hiring timeline, as it is now too late for some disciplines to recruit faculty members. It was suggested by some steering committee members that those disciplines that are disadvantaged this year by not being able to hire should be given priority for next year's hiring cycle. It is yet unknown how this will work with a cluster hire.

CAPRA members discussed the problem of the late timeline for hiring, a concern that is shared among all SAF pillars. While some disciplines normally hire in the spring, several others post advertisements in August and make offers by the first of December.

CAPRA members then discussed the CSDA's proposed process for recommending candidates for campus interviews, including the role of the review groups and the search committees. The plan does not state that the bylaw unit votes on potential candidates as is correct procedure. Moreover, it appears that the Council of Deans, CAPRA, and the Provost/EVC would be able to provide input on potential candidates with the Provost/EVC making the final recommendation. CAPRA members pointed out that neither CAPRA nor administrators are ever asked to weigh in on selecting the successful candidate(s) from the interview pool, although the relevant Dean and the Provost/EVC do have veto power.

ACTION: CAPRA will send a memo to the Provost/EVC requesting clarification on the hiring process.

IV. Revised Public Health Bylaw 55 Unit Proposal

ACTION: The Senate Chair will be informed that CAPRA has no comments on the revised proposal.

V. Revised Academic Degree Policy

CAPRA members discussed the revised policy and flowchart. Members suggested that the flowchart be revised to 1) include an arrow from CAPRA to Division Council, since CAPRA does not have final recommendation, and 2) include an arrow from Division Council back to GC and UGC. In addition, members believe that the policy is too restrictive on who can initiate a proposal for a new academic degree unit.

ACTION: CAPRA members to send additional comments to the committee chair by Monday. A final memo will be sent to the Senate Chair by the December 1 deadline.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:35 pm.

Attest:

Mukesh Singhal, CAPRA Chair

Minutes taken by: Simrin Takhar, Senate Analyst