Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation (CAPRA) Minutes of Meeting April 6, 2016

Pursuant to call, the Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation met at 3:00 pm on April 6, 2016, in Room 362 of the Kolligian Library, Chair Mukesh Singhal presiding.

Present: Mukesh Singhal, Anne Kelley, Josh Viers, Marilyn Fogel, Kurt Schnier, Lauren Edwards, and Hunter Drobenaire.

I. Chair's Report

Chair Singhal updated committee members on the April 5 UCPB meeting where the major topics of discussion were: 1) revised UC retirement plan which was drafted in response to the largely negative feedback from the campuses, 2) consultation with systemwide Chief Financial Officer Nathan Brostrom who discussed the revenue and deficits of various campuses, and 3) self-supporting programs.

II. Consent Calendar

ACTION: The March 16 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

III. Project 2020 Financing

VC Dan Feitelberg and AVC Veronica Mendez of the Office of Planning & Budget will attend the May 4 CAPRA meeting. CAPRA members request clarification on the source of the external funding for the 2020 Project as well as the source and amount of internal funding. CAPRA members also inquired whether the funding plan spans the next 30 years or a different time period. It is important that these questions be addressed so the campus can plan for future faculty FTE lines and ensure it has the appropriate amount of start-up funds for new faculty members. Another question to consider is

whether the campus will have sufficient enrollment to help fund the 2020 project.

ACTION: Chair Singhal is scheduled for a telephone conversation with VC Feitelberg tomorrow (April 7) and will request that VC Feitelberg submit information in advance of the May 4 meeting that addresses CAPRA's question.

IV. Faculty Survey on Strategic Academic Focusing (SAF) and Cluster Hiring

CAPRA members discussed the possibility of conducting a second survey of faculty to obtain their input on the process of the cluster hiring (the committee conducted a survey last semester on the SAF process). Questions to consider are: 1) should the survey adapt the questions from the UC Riverside survey given that that campus underwent a similar SAF process? 2) Who is the audience for CAPRA's second survey? 3) Would the survey ascertain faculty's opinions on the process of the cluster hiring process or the success of it? 4) Should the survey ask whether the cluster hiring process is meeting the campus's academic goals?

CAPRA members agreed that that it is premature to ask faculty to declare the cluster hiring process a success or failure as only one pillar (CSDA) is moving forward with a faculty search that is still in progress. It is too early to determine whether these future hires, if made, are as successful or more successful had they occurred under a traditional, non-cluster hiring process. However, if a survey were to be distributed at the end of this semester, the results could be used to provide guidance to the other pillars who are scheduled to conduct faculty searches next year.

CAPRA members agreed that the CSDA search committee chair should be invited back to CAPRA in order to provide additional input on that pillar's cluster hires (CSDA on-campus interviews are in progress).

ACTION: Item was tabled until the April 20 CAPRA meeting. The CSDA search committee chair to be invited to attend the May 4 CAPRA meeting.

V. Executive Session

Voting members only. No minutes taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Attest:

Mukesh Singhal, CAPRA Chair