

**Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation
(CAPRA)
Minutes of Meeting
October 24, 2016**

Pursuant to call, the Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation met at 1:30 pm on October 24, 2016, in Room 360 of the Kolligian Library, Chair Mukesh Singhal presiding.

I. Consultation with Provost/EVC and Vice Provost for the Faculty (VPF)

CAPRA updated the Provost/EVC and the VPF on the status of its 2020 projections project. The CAPRA subcommittee has met with the school curriculum managers, the Registrar's office, the 2020 Project team, the VPDGE, VPDUE, and the VCSA, and the GESC and UGC chairs. The committee has also been in contact with IRDS staff. In mid-November, the subcommittee will attend a graduate group chairs meeting with the VPDGE. By November 1, with the input from the school curriculum managers, CAPRA hopes to have a model curricula of the largest majors. By the end of November, CAPRA hopes to have a draft model framework for all majors assuming the presence of 9,000 students.

Shortly before today's meeting, CAPRA received classroom data from the 2020 Project team. A CAPRA member mentioned that he conducted a preliminary review of the data and it seems there will be will be several wet labs and seminar rooms, both of which are encouraging. However, the data indicates that there will only be two large-scale classrooms. Provost Peterson stated that, over the course of CAPRA's project, if the space estimates do not align with what was decided by key stakeholders early in the process, he needs to be informed as soon as possible. He also offered to meet with CAPRA members on this project if committee members need him to provide data or input. The Provost thanked CAPRA for taking on this task, as many individuals on campus, particular the deans, would find this beneficial.

VPF Camfield inquired – and it was confirmed by CAPRA members – that the committee was also analyzing the types of instructors and the teaching load of L(P)SOEs. CAPRA members pointed out that once they have finished a first pass at this model curricula, they will have a clearer sense of teaching workload issues as well as the role of graduate student instructors. After a brief discussion, the VPF stated that he will send CAPRA the student-to-ladder-rank faculty ratios from other UC campuses.

CAPRA members then updated the Provost/EVC and VPF on their meetings with steering and search committee chairs of the four pillars that are hiring this year. The Provost/EVC responded that he would like to have a hiring plan finalized before the end of this semester, to implement in early 2017, and emphasized that he would like input from faculty on ways in which the campus can build in these defined areas of strength (pillars).

II. Consultation with General Education Subcommittee (GESC) Chair Jack Vevea

Prior to this meeting, CAPRA reviewed the GE resources memo that GESC submitted to Provost Peterson.

Professor Vevea provided CAPRA members with a brief history of the GE proposal. Last year's GESC approved the proposal to establish a campus GE program. This year's GESC is working on the implementation phase, with a projected roll out of fall 2018. But, the committee is aiming for a pilot project roll out of fall 2017 for the freshmen SPARK seminars. "Introduction to life at a research university" is the basic, underlying theme for the freshmen SPARK seminars, and will include a research component. GESC is also aware of the lack of resources and issues surrounding faculty teaching workload, so the committee is looking into the possibility of faculty members teaching an additional course in exchange for a summer ninth. (Units will have the flexibility to manage this.) GESC is working on generating a web document with FAQs pertaining to the GE program proposal for faculty members.

Professor Vevea indicated that the proposed GE program would be a campuswide effort, not school-based, and GESC is ensuring that all majors will have the capacity for it. CAPRA members agreed that ladder-rank faculty should be expected to participate in GE and that this would be a unique experience for the students, i.e., taking a course from a faculty member that is in his/her specialty.

CAPRA members asked Professor Vevea if he could share last year's GE program proposal with the committee who would keep the proposal in confidence, for internal review only.

Action: Professor Vevea will consult with GESC members on submitting the GE program proposal to CAPRA.

III. Consultation with Adaptive & Functional Matter Pillar Search Committee Chair

Professor Roland Winston, the Adaptive & Functional Matter pillar search committee chair, attended today's meeting to answer CAPRA's questions about the pillar's hiring plan. At the last meeting, the committee met with pillar representative Professor Ajay Gopinathan, where it was suggested that CAPRA invite Professor Winston to this meeting.

Professor Winston stated that the pillar has received numerous applications and that the search committee is meeting soon with the SAFI Faculty Equity Advisor to discuss diversity issues. Even though the job posting lists a closing date of June 30, the search committee intends to conduct interviews in the near future to recruit excellent candidates as soon as possible. When asked by CAPRA members how the search committee plans to review and rank the many applications, Professor Winston replied that the committee has not yet met but plans to formulate criteria for the review of applications. Professor Winston also pointed out that the success of this cluster search cannot be judged until after hires are made. He requested that he attend a future

CAPRA meeting, after the search committee has met and ranked the applications, to provide CAPRA with an update.

Action: Professor Winston to be invited to a future CAPRA meeting.

IV. Chair's Report

Chair Singhal updated CAPRA members on the following:

--October 24 UCPB meeting. The main topics of discussion were self-supporting graduate degree programs and PDST. The Regents rejected several PDST proposals last year, prompting the revision of the PDST policy.

--October 20 Division Council meeting. The Provost/EVC attended and discussed SAFI/cluster hires. The Council also endorsed FWAF's memo on academic freedom interference with regard to President Napolitano and the UC Chancellors' letter to the American Anthropological Association.

Due to time constraints, the remaining items on the agenda will be handled via email. The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Attest:

Mukesh Singhal, CAPRA Chair