Meeting Minutes – May 30, 2016- 2:00pm-4:00pm

Location: SB Harbor Room, UCen

Members Present: Chuck Haines, Henning Bohn, Marc Fisher, David Marshall, Ann Jensen Adams, Pierre Wiltzius, Rod Alferness, Richard Watts, Margaret Klawunn, Martin Shumaker

Members Absent: Joe Incandela, David McIntosh, Beverly Colgate, Austin Heckler, Stan Awramik, Stephan Miescher

Alternates Present: Timothy Sherwood, Chris Lavino

I. Announcements

Chuck Haines, Acting Assistant Chancellor of Finance and Resource Management, reported on revisions to the state budget as of May:

- State allocation of a 4% increase in general funding to the UC system to be reduced to 3% next year
- State allocation of the last of Prop. A funds, $169M to support UC systems unfunded liability
- State re-allocation of $4M in funding to the Cal Grant program as a result of Regents’ authorization of a 2.5% tuition increase
- State has sequestered $50M until UC shows progress on several initiatives; activities based costing, increased transfer student enrollments; reconciliation of recommendations from state auditor for UCOP’s administrative operations budget. UCOP appears to be conciliatory towards those measures.
- One time funding to cover projects such as deferred maintenance will end.
- AB 2664, a grant to promote innovation and entrepreneurship, will end.

EVC David Marshall reported on funding initiatives under consideration by the state assembly including $25M for deferred maintenance and one time funding to support faculty diversity recruitment and increased enrollments. The state expects a final vote in June for inclusion in the July budget.

EVC Marshall clarified statements regarding the viability of UCOP’s promises to the state of its precise enrollment targets. The security of funds depends more on a good faith effort to accept more transfer applicants. Regardless, Santa Barbara expects to meet the goal of a 2-1 ratio.
Marshall also said the legislature has expressed the will to exercise more line item authority over UCOP’s budget.

II. Minutes

The minutes from January 31, 2017 were approved.

III. Consent Item

The Photovoltaic PPA Update (M. Fisher) was approved as written.

IV. Action Items (none)

V. Discussion Items

A. The New Physics Building Detailed Project Program (M. Nocciolo and M. Fisher)

Acting Director of Capital Projects, Mark Nocciolo gave a presentation on The New Physics Building (NPB) DPP.

Nocciolo explained how the Physics project essentially began in earnest in 2013 with completion of a master planning study that included space for the College of Engineering and became the impetus to a funding request of $250M in Campus’ Capital Financial Plan for a Physics/Engineering building. In 2016, Campus bifurcated the projects and hired SmithGroup from LA to produce the DPP. Escalation increased the budget to $260M. Through ongoing consultation with Physics and Facilities Management, SmithGroup has arrived at a draft DPP that identifies scope, budget and schedule.

The New Physics Building (NPB) is a five-story laboratory and teaching facility consisting of 64,000 ASF at a budget of approximately $150M. The NPB site is located to the northwest of Brioda Hall with a basement that extends under the campus green. The below grade portion contains the building’s most vibration-sensitive laboratories as well as a central utility plant. The ground floor consists of a lecture hall, seminar room and student study space. Upper floors accommodate additional laboratories and office for faculty, post-doc and graduate students. Of note on the site plan are extensive bicycle parking, electrical transformers and emergency generators. The project will remove existing trailers 937, 939, and 942.

Nocciolo noted that scope reductions were necessary to meet the budget. Because labs that require strict environmental controls for temperature, humidity and vibration are expensive, the DPP assumed a reduction of 6,000 ASF of programmable space to compensate. The requirement for a central plant represents another cost driver.

Of potential concern, the building’s ASF to GSF ratio exceeds typical acceptable limits. The need to enclose roof top systems compromised by salt air skews the GSF calculation. Santa Barbara will join an effort to challenge metrics that undermine coastal campuses.
Nocciolo outlined a schedule. Best-case scenario, the project would begin with funding in 2019. It would complete construction in 2023.

The Committee raised other questions regarding siting, massing, and the impact on future adjacent building. Members affirmed that: a) Requirements, such as a vast floor to ceiling height, and sensitive environmental controls, favor a below-grade design. b) The site will accommodate a future building to the south. c) Release space in Brioda presents an opportunity to address additional needs in a future renovation project.

Nocciolo mentioned that geotechnical studies of bedrock conditions nearby would indicate that a 20’-30’ basement depth is feasible, although it requires confirmation. The committee voiced expectation that the schematic design process will include further analysis of siting to minimize impacts on future development on the campus green.

Discussion of NPB within the context of the campus’ other capital projects initiated a conversation about the status of the Music Building. EVC Marshall elaborated on how the original plans for the project stalled due to budget constraints. Campus re-defined renovations to the building in an effort to attract funding through a GFF initiative targeting seismic liabilities and enrollment growth. Currently, the Music Seismic Corrections and Renovation project requires more study before moving further.

DRC will review the NPB project on June 1. It will return to CPC next month as an Action Item, whereby the Committee will vote to recommend to the Chancellor to approve.

**B. 10 Year Capital Financial Plan Update (C. Haines)**

Haines introduced an initiative to update Campus’ 10 Year Capital Financial Plan (CFP). The CFP represents one of four planning documents that UCOP requires of each campus to participate in the University’s “Chancellor’s delegated authority” process for major capital project approvals.

He explained how the campus has updated the CFP annually for approval by the Regents. However, the state has not supported the University’s capital program since 2011. Likewise, the campus has been updating the project data, and bumping its projects out year after year with one exception. It added the Classroom Building to the CFP in 2014.

Haines called upon deans and vice chancellors to analyze the requirements of their organizations and develop a report for presentation to the Campus Planning Committee this fall. The effort will inform a comprehensive update to the 2018-2028 CFP. Haines asked that departmental leadership use the summer and early fall to gather data to present to the committee early in 2018.

Committee members stressed the importance of two factors regarding evaluation of classroom space requirements:

- Guidance in maintaining consistent reporting across divisions
- Reflection on the ideal class sizes and conditions that support instructors’ preferred methods and technologies
V. Information & Follow-up Items

A. Status Report: Special Projects Subcommittee (B. Colgate)
   No report

B. Status Report: Design Review Committee (M. Fisher, H. Bohn)
   The DRC meeting is scheduled for June 1. The agenda will include NPB Detailed Project
   Program and IEE Henley Hall Schematic Design

C. Status Report: Faculty & Staff Housing (C. Haines, D. Marshall)
   UCOP is currently circulating a draft version of the RFQ to begin development on Ocean
   Walk IV and V.

D. Status Report: Student Housing (M. Fisher, R. Watts)
   Construction on San Joaquin Apartments concludes this summer.

E. Status Report: Major Capital Projects (attached)

II. Correspondence

Meeting adjourned at 3:17 p.m.
Minutes taken by Carolyn Franco, Office of Budget & Planning