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Members Present: J. Constable (Chair), P. Newell, A. Parham,
J. Parks, J. Waayers.

Member Absent: N. Bengiamin (excused), J. Kus (excused),
P. Diaz (student)(excused).

Visitor: P. Trueblood.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Constable at 3:40 p.m. in TA #117.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 4/7/10.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.

Chair Constable reported regarding the budgetary aspects of (APM322) as discussed at the Executive Committee on April 12, 2010. The core of the question centered on Chair Constable forming an Ad hoc committee including two members each of the Budget Committee, the Personnel Committee and the Executive Committee (Dr. M. Botwin volunteered to be a member) to assess costs associated with performing student ratings of faculty teaching performance. A brief discussion of the question followed with a preference towards forming the Ad hoc committee to be composed of the entire UBC and one member each of the Personnel Committee and the Executive Committee. This matter will be discussed as an agenda item next week.

4. New Business.

There were none.

5. Discussion of the DPT Program - Dr. P. Trueblood

The situation with the operation of the joint DPT program with UCSF was discussed between the Committee and Dr. P. Trueblood. Currently the program is facing three primary issues: (i) maintenance of a minimum enrollment, 8 students by Fall 2010,to meet the requirement of the partner institution (UCSF); (ii) an accrediting body decision to require all new graduates to obtain a DPT in order to practice PT by 2015; and (iii) a bill on the floor of the California

Legislature to create an entry level 3 year DPT program housed entirely within the CSU system.

The first issue is based on a potential loss of funding to CSUF from UCSF and therefore would result in current students not being offered a DPT at Fresno. This would require them to enroll at alternative institutions, most likely at greater cost, to earn a DPT degree. The second issue concerns the ability of CSUF to meet the growing need for licensed PTs in that the accrediting body for physical therapists has adopted the requirement for all new practicing PTs to hold a DPT by 2015. In order to serve the need for a greater number of PTs coupled to the DPT accreditation requirement dictates that the University must have a functional entry-level DPT program in place by 2012 to graduate students with a DPT by 2015. The third issue is the uncertainty around the ability of the CSU system to offer stand alone DPTs. Currently, the CSU system can only offer a DPT degree in conjunction with a partner institution. As such, lower enrollment programs that fall below the minimum set by the partner institution may be cancelled. The current bill in the state legislature, if passed, would allow the CSU system to offer stand alone DPT degrees without requiring a partner institution.

As the future of the DPT is dependent upon a number of issues over which the program has little direct control (e.g., enrollment minimums by partner institutions and pending legislative action) no budgetary decision was made regarding the future of the program. There was talk of suspending the program should the minimum number of students for the fall 2010 semester not be achieved and it was recognized that this might result in a hardship for students. It was noted by the Committee that few of the choices were pleasant regarding the program's future until legislative action identified the long term course for the CSU system in the education of physical therapists.

MSC to adjourn at 4:50 p.m.

The next University Budget Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, April 21, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. in TA #117.

Agenda.

1. Approval of the Minutes of 4/14/10.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.
4. New Business
5. Update of the Capital Campaign - P. Smits
6. Discussion of the Costs Associated with Performing Student Ratings of Faculty Classroom Performance.
7. Operational Overview of the Budget Model (please bring your computer)