

Minutes, Budget Committee of Academic Senate

Meeting of December 20, 2004 (As Approved June 7, 2005)

Present: Stephen Calkins (Chair), Marc Cogan, Charles Elder (liaison), Michael McIntyre, Frederic Pearson, Louis Romano, Linea Rydstedt, Vishwanath Sardesai, Assia Shisheva, William Volz (liaison), James Woodyard.

Absent with Notice: Charles Parrish, Harley Tse.

Absent: Ravi Dhar

1. The meeting convened shortly after 1:00 p.m. The minutes of the meeting of November 9, 2004, were approved.

2. *Counting faculty.* One committee member had raised the question of the faculty count. The essential point was that it is important, some thought, to be able to compare the number of tenure/tenure track faculty from one year to another-and to do this one needs a consistent, accepted definition of tenure/tenure track faculty. (How does one count faculty on sabbatical? What about authorized but as yet unsuccessful searches? What about partial tenure?) It was suggested that we might ask Policy to try to convene a faculty-administration task force to achieve a common understanding. Some people thought that the Provost's office has already made headway on this issue. It was agreed that the chair will call the provost's office (Celeste, at 7 2236), find out where they are, and report back.

3. *Institute of Gerontology.* The report of the subcommittee on the Institute of Gerontology (Michael McIntyre and Assia Shisheva) was considered. The subcommittee moved as follows:

That the Budget Committee recommends to Policy that the Institute of Gerontology be rechartered for the full normal period.

Discussion ensued, after which the motion was passed. The subcommittee's report will be sent unchanged to Policy, adopted as the Committee's report.

4. *New business.* One member said that he would like to have the committee again look into indirect cost recovery.

4. *Adjournment.* The committee adjourned at 1:25 p.m. and then members informally attended a Policy Committee meeting with the Provost at which she reviewed her budget model and the 2006 budget.