

DRAFT Communication from the Academic Planning and Budget Committee
Chad Christine, MD, Chair

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TO: Ruth Greenblatt, Chair of the UCSF Academic Senate

FROM: Chad Christine, Chair of the Academic Planning and Budget Committee

CC: Todd Giedt, Executive Director of the UCSF Academic Senate Office

RE: Request for Rules and Jurisdiction Review of Bylaws for the Proposed New Standing Committee on Space.

Dear Chair Greenblatt:

On October 25, the Academic Planning and Budget (APB) Committee reviewed the proposed Space Committee legislation set to be voted upon at the October 27 Division Meeting. When reviewing, members quickly identified that there is an overlap between the proposed Space Committee bylaws and APB bylaws regarding roles and responsibilities of reviewing space planning matters. To address this issue, the members of APB request that the proposed Space Committee bylaws be submitted to the Rules and Jurisdiction Committee for additional review and revision.

Historically, APB has been the principal Senate committee involved in space planning and oversight at UCSF. Most recently, APB has been at the forefront of addressing faculty concerns with Mission Hall and all future space planning in the new buildings. Administrators regularly attend APB meeting to report on space and APB members have been appointed to serve on numerous space governance committees. APB conducts all of this work under its charge stated in the divisional bylaws. With the proposed implementation of a new standing committee solely devoted to space, the members of APB believe that the bylaws must be revised to distinguish the roles and responsibilities between the two committees. This will help to ensure that going forward there will be no confusion between Senate members and administrators when addressing space issues. Furthermore, it will ensure that the Academic Senate has a clear voice providing consultation.

Overall, members of APB support the goals of the proposed Space Committee which include better coordination among the space governance committees and better consultation with administration on all aspects of space planning. APB members believe that though clearly defined bylaws, both committees can effectively work together in the effort. If you have any questions, please contact me, or Academic Senate analyst Artemio Cardenas artemio.cardenas@ucsf.edu.

Sincerely,
Chad Christine, MD
Chair of the Academic Planning and Budget Committee