Members Present:
Jeremy Redman, Martha Dede, Raymond DeLeon, Kristin Powers, Cecile Lindsay, Michelle Saint Germain, Teri Yamada, Van Novack, Robin Richesson, Kelly Janousek, Pamela Ashe, Judy Strauss, Guy Bachman, Zvonkimir Hlousek, Betsy McEneaney

Guests in Attendance:
Gerry Riposa (Dean, Liberal Arts), Mark Wiley (Assoc. Dean, Liberal Arts), Alosi Moloi (Chair, Black Studies), Lionel Mandy (Black Studies), Paul Laris (Geography), Sharon Downey (Chair, Communication Studies), Gary Griswold (English)

1. Meeting was called to order by the chair, Zvonimir Hlousek, at 2:10 pm
2. New members Teri Yamada (Liberal Arts) and Pamela Ashe (Student Services) were welcomed. T. Yamada was approved as a member of the UPRC for Interdisciplinary Studies, after consultation with Bruce Berg and others.
3. Minutes from Sept. 6 meeting were distributed and approved with minor changes.
4. Draft #2 of PARC Annual Report for AY 2005-06 was distributed and discussed. Suggestion to list the programs reviewed during the year, and other minor changes. PARC will vote to approve the annual report at the next meeting.
5. Discussion of PARC calendar for Fall.
   a. Move presentation of Univ 100 review from 10/4 to either 11/1 or 12/6.
   b. Move presentation of Prof. Studies to 11/15.
   c. Change – list Judy Strauss as chair of UPRC for Chicano and Latino Studies review.
6. Appointment of new UPRC teams.
   a. Science Education: Martha Dede, Pamela Ashe
   c. College of Education will have external reviewers visiting 11/15 – 11/17.
      i. Counseling: Teri Yamada and Robin Richesson
      ii. Education: Raymond DeLeon, To be determined
      iii. Special Education: Jeremy Redman, Guy Bachman
   d. Health Care Administration (Expedited, Graduate program) – Kristin Powers
7. Expedited Reviews – mostly assigned at 9/6 meeting. Michelle Saint Germain will e-mail a checklist and template to be used for those reviews.
8. Announcement: Workshop on Program Review and Self Study procedure to be held 9/29, 10:30-12.
9. Report by UPRC for Black Studies
   a. A response to the UPRC report written by Alosi Moloi was distributed.
   b. Discussion: A. Moloi states that new hiring of two new tenure-track faculty and 1 full-time lecturer allows the department to address key areas in contemporary Black Studies (e.g., Development, Caribbean, Continental Africa). Questions about the low percentage of African Americans among admitted students, which impacts enrollment in Black Studies. A. Moloi explains that CSULB competes with CSUF and CSUDH for qualified African American students. Concerns about student advising – Black Studies faculty state that advising staff often discourage students from majoring in Black Studies. M. Wiley describes initiatives in the college to improve advising to attract more students into various
ethnic studies programs. T. Yamada suggests that department faculty communicate their complaints with Gayle Fenton in the Advising Council.

c. Motions made and passed to accept the Black Studies Self Study and the UPRC report.

10. Report by UPRC for Communication Studies
   a. Discussion: Although tenure density is acceptable, concern over the large percentage of faculty assigned time. V. Novack indicates that this is an issue university-wide. Another issue is how to contain department level growth when the campus is expected to grow enrollments. Question about the necessity of the small Rhetorical Studies option. S. Downey replies that name change of option to “Communications, Culture and Media” might improve numbers in that option. Question about the possibility of the college or university funding tuition waivers in the MA program. There is no mechanism for this. S. Downey notes that there are also some union restrictions on hiring teaching assistants at the expense of part-time instructors. Discussion of how to support strong graduate programs so that they are competitive with other universities’ programs.

   b. Motions made and passed to accept the Communication Studies Self Study and the UPRC report.

11. The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 pm.

* Minutes have been approved.