

Budget & Planning Committee
February 19, 2020
Minutes

Present: Walter Szeliga, Amy Claridge, Aimée Quinn, Kathy Whitcomb, Paul Knepper, Stephen Stein, Roxanne Easley, Ken Smith, Chad Wassell, Lad Holden, Jim Johnson, and Eric Cheney.

Absent: Ian Loverro

Guest(s): None

Meeting called to order at 10:07 a.m.

Paul moved to approve the agenda. Aimée seconded and agenda was approved

Aimée moved to approve the February 5, 2020 minutes. Amy seconded and motion was approved.

Eric's letter – The committee talked about the RCM model proposals. Number 7 is the only one that everyone likes. This would give all unallocated funds back to the colleges.

PBAC – The Student Services and Activities committee has spent most of their money. They have \$265,000 in requests and only have \$60,000 left. They are going to keep funding all of the requests regardless of funds and dip into their reserves. The tuition waiver subcommittee is evaluating current waivers utilizing a rubric. Joel presented projections for the budget next year and the projections are not great. Four hundred more students have applied for graduation than normal. In addition, the first year student applications are down by 9%. Joel gave some statistics on FTE growth for the last three years in the colleges and outside. The way the information is being presented, it appears that faculty FTE have grown faster than staff and students. Joel indicated he did not look whether the faculty increase was in full-time or part time. Twelve FTE can be attributed to faculty overload. Tim Englund brought up that the Dean's would like off budget allocation subcommittee. He feels it is a waste of time. Also recommended that all four deans be on PBAC.

BASC - Kathy reported that every BAS committee member is supposed to review the proposals using a rubric. There was some comments that since the proposals were ranked. all the proposals should be sent to Cabinet. Others felt that they should not move all the proposals forward. Lad indicated that unless there is new money, then having budget proposals does not make sense.

The committee talked about suggesting that there be an announcement made at the beginning of the budget proposal process that there will be approximately this much available for next year and then open for proposals. If there are no proposed new funds for the next year, then proposals should not be accepted. The committee talked about suggesting that BASC become an ad hoc committee and only called when there is new money and proposals. Amy, Walter, and Eric will propose this at PBAC.

March 9 at 11:00 a.m. in Barge 304 will be the meeting with the Provost.

Items for discussion with the Provost:

How does she talk to the BOT about budget?

Are raises pre-funded?

College budget committees?

Provost candidates - The committee talked briefly about the Provost search.

Discussion of budget summer presentations - College presentations were not advertised well. PBAC would like feedback on the budget presentations, especially the ones that did deep dives this year. It was a lot of work and they are not sure it was worth it.

Meet was adjourned at 11:24 a.m.