President's Budget Advisory Group

September 20, 2016 Minutes

Present:

Priorities and Planning Council

Rick Back Dean Crawford Jim Nichols Dan Tryon

Faculty Assembly

Lisa Glidden

Faculty Senate

Frank Byrne

Union Representatives

CSEA: Casey Walpole UUP: Lori Nash

Department Chairs

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences: David Andrews Pat Clark

School of Business: John MacDonald

School of Communication, Media and the Arts: Cynthia Claybough

School of Education: Marcia Burrell

Student Representative

Emily Nassir

Vice Presidents

Mary Canale Nick Lyons Walter Roettger Jerald Woolfolk

<u>Deans</u>

Brad Korbesmeyer Adrienne McCormick Pam Michel Jill Pippin Julie Pretzat-Merchant Richard Skolnik

Administrative AppointmentMike Flaherty Dan Griffin Jerri Howland Rick Kolenda Mark Slayton

Staff to the Committee

Pam Caraccioli Kristi Eck Vicki Furlong Howard Gordon Mehran Nojan Rameen Mohammadi Wayne Westervelt

Excused: James Mackenzie, *College of Liberal Arts and Sciences* Added to group: Sean Moriarty and Sarah Weisman joined the meeting at 9 a.m.

BACKGROUND:

Brief discussion about history of this group. Started more than 20 years ago. Was used only in emergency situations. There were significant budget cuts in 90's. We had stresses and often had to address where we had to review.

We have decided to reconvene the Budget Advisory Group now and will have frequent meetings. We are heavily concerned about the state of SUNY and about state budgets and funding going forward. We know several of our peer institutions are struggling. How can/will changes in the state budget affect us? Half (8/14) of the SUNY comprehensive college campuses did not make enrollment this fall.

CHARGE:

President Stanley shared a draft charge with the committee and asked for feedback and discussion on the charge. She asked the group if they agree with the charge? What should be modified? What are our plans for the future? How often should we meet? Discussion ensued and it was decided we would meet three times this fall semester (September, October and November) and twice in the Spring (end of February and either April or late May/early June).

MEMBERSHIP:

The group has representation from a broad group of constituents across campus including faculty governance leaders, faculty, staff, students, administration, and unions. Does not include Council 82 or PEF (very few members). After discussion it was noted that Sean Moriarty, CTO, and Sarah Weisman, Head Librarian, should be to added to Budget Advisory Group. They were immediately invited to the meeting and were able to join the meeting 30 minutes late.

Principles of Discussion and Action:

The group reviewed the principals and added mission to the following statement:

• Advance and protect initiatives set forth in our mission and the strategic plan.

Discussion going forward/to do items:

It was decided that it would be helpful for members to understand data by reviewing the material in advance. Therefore, it was decided that the documents would be gathered and made available in digital format on a Budget Advisory Group website. This website will be built for this group. We should put as much information as possible on website.

The question was asked, "can we look at all budgets?" Answer: yes, all public budgets related to this group will be posted on the Budget Advisory Group website.

The group agreed to meet again in October. A Doodle poll will be sent out to schedule that meeting.