

## University Budget Council – UBC

Meeting Minutes – 11:00 am – June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008

\*\* 205 Welch Hall \*\*

Members Present: B. Beard (Fac. Council NUR), C. Blakely (ART), B. Bond (CE), M. Bretting (COE), Jason Broge (Budget), P. Buchanan (COT), J. Carroll (P&S), D. Clifford (Fac. Council – CHHS), T. Greco (CAS), R. Hanna (ISPC), L. Higgins (COB), S. Larnhart (M-C), B. Lindke (VPSA), J. Lumm (B&F), M. Malach (Athletics), B. Price (Fac. Council), C. Shell (R&R), Adam Slingwein (Student Rep. ), B. Sipe (CAS) J. Thomas (CHHS)

Introduction of new student body president, Adam Slingwein, who is replacing Brandon.

- I) Approval of minutes from June 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting – Approved with corrections on who was absent and names misspelled. (Posted by S. Larnhart as corrected)
- II) One “MORE” last time – additional materials and follow-up comments on Intercollegiate Athletics from Mike Malach.
  - a) Handout – ‘06-‘07 Funds Received by Athletes and actual numbers of scholarships given.
- III) Commentary and further recommendation from John Lumm (who had to leave early).
  - a) Handouts from John: To be shared with Regents; interesting data.
    - i) HEIDI data – Compares MI schools; data discussed.
      - (1) EMU is very close to figures from other MI schools except for Western Michigan which is “odd”.
      - (2) 75% of EMU UG students are FT (12 credits or more) according to Chris Shell.
    - ii) Trends in Staffing vs. SCH for 7 years reviewed.
      - (1) Shows overall downsizing over this time period along with SCH.
      - (2) So why do we have budget problems?
        - (a) Cut backs in personnel have often been in lower paying jobs.
        - (b) Tuition has been less due to lower SCH

(3) Where do adjuncts show up?

(a) In HEIDI data, but not on EMU trends data.

(b) Next meeting – 2 issues John wants discussed:

(i) Rebasing – needs more discussion

1. Is rebasing working at lower operating levels?  
(Comments from CAS sounded positive in general.)
2. More discussion on the growing “list” of priorities for consideration and funding.
  - a. John would like UBC to help prioritize these.

(ii) Team for strategic reorganization led by Dave Mielke; ask him to a future meeting.

1. Note: \$10/unit for natural gas put in FY09 budget; it is now \$12.50/unit
  - a. Is a \$1m problem already based on our current usage!
2. Board of Regents meet next on this Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - a. John will request that they continue current budget for 1 month with July 30<sup>th</sup> being the goal for RY09 budget.
  - b. He will also request a bank line of credit for general purposes as back up financing.
  - c. Request approval of \$4m for renovation of Hoyt for use by DPS; is a capital budget expenditure.
  - d. Request approval of the construction mgt. contract for MJ.
    - i. FYI – It is now a \$90m project.
  - e. Future Board meetings: June 30, July 10, and July 31 for final approval.

IV) When will tuition rate increase be determined since that increase affects some of our recommendations?

- a) At June 30<sup>th</sup> board meeting John will try to get Regents to make a decision. UBC urges them to decide soon.
  - i) No state limit this year on tuition increases that we know of now.
    - (1) MSU 7% increase.

V) Future UBC Agenda Topics

- a) Rebasing by Jason Broge; he has 50% of details done, but needs 2 weeks to complete this task. Encourages colleges to submit data ASAP to him.
  - i) Rebase corrections discussed.
  - ii) Budget for personnel in different discussion including SP/SU faculty budgets.
    - (1) For 1020-1030 line – He added 4% to last year's expenditures; AHR said this was okay.
  - iii) Has list of priorities changed? No, but we need to recommend to John how they are prioritized.
  - iv) Library wants to discuss their needs; invite Rachael to a UBC meeting.
  - v) Is an \$800,000 marketing budget request from Ted; ask him to come to explain what this includes.
  - vi) Invite Dave Mielke to come to discuss the progress of the university reorganization team he chairs.

**Next UBC Meetings:      11:00 am, Thurs. June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008 – 205 Welch**  
**11:00 am, Tues. June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008 – 205 Welch**