

UBC Minutes - April 28, 2009

Members Present: Colin Blakely (Art/AA), Michael Bretting (COE), Jason Broge (B&F), Polly Buchanan (COT), Howard Bunsis (AAUP), Jim Carroll (P&A), David Clifford (Faculty Council), John Donegan (PP), Raouf Hanna (ECON), Mark Higbee (Faculty Council), Veda Jenkins (Budget), Brian Kulpa, (DSAEM), Sheilah Larnhart (Advancement), John Lumm (B&F), Mike Malach (Athletics), Todd Ohmer (B&F), Regina Royan (Student Govt Pres.), Chris Shell (R&R), Rebecca Sipe (CAS/English), Wade Tournquist (CAS)

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1. Minutes of April 23, 2009 – Approved with edits/notations.
2. Chris – Spring/Summer/Fall status
  - a. Spring is about .12% up in head count, about 100 SCH higher (yeah!) 513,000 for this year.
  - b. Summer – not so good - -4.52% down, 1200 SCH less than last year.
  - c. Fall – 1200 SCH up, .52% up but we are down in headcount by 1.92%;
    - i. Grad returning, down 10%
3. Budget Updates FY10 – Updates and Implications – John Lumm
  - a. Nothing new to report.
  - b. Even though BOD retreat is tomorrow, UBC can still give input to them.
    - i. Amount of likely tuition rate discussed.
  - c. Concern was expressed about how overall budget process evolved again this year.
    - i. Have expanded several components of next year's budget knowing there would be a shortfall.
    - ii. "Is the goal of the budget to raise tuition?"... was asked.
    - iii. Administrators were asked to consider 1-2% cut and how they would approach such reductions.
    - iv. Auxiliary budget was discussed; questions were asked. Board & Room was raised 5.9% for Fall.
  - d. Financial Aid budget is the only real commitment that's been made for next year.
    - i. Do have personnel contract commitments, utilities, etc that are set costs.
  - e. New request for \$1m for Dr. Martin to use for incentive enrollment activities; need details on it how might be used. This is a large amount.
  - f. Concern that we can't provide a firm line-by-line budget now for FY10 was expressed.

- g. UBC needs to recommend SOMETHING firm; ... i.e., zero tuition increase? Two percent increase? Then recommend how to get there.
- h. Need more details on components of SCH mix of instate/out-of-state vs grad/undergrad etc. because these influence actual dollars received.

4. New Resolution – While we support the idea of strategic growth, UBC would like more detail before supporting a specific funding level for the Strategic Growth Fund.

Vote: Yes = 19 No = 0 Abstained = 1

- a. Used for enrollment and retention activities specifically.
- b. This is different than the President's Contingency Fund

5. Motion for Recommendation: Create a budget that minimizes the negative impact on academic program delivery and student expenses by aiming for a near zero tuition increase.

Vote: Yes = 12 No = 4 Abstain = 4

- 6. Areas to be investigated where savings might occur.
  - i. Reduce Psychology Fellowship funding.
  - ii. Pharmacy funding questioned; is it needed with other facilities available?

Next meetings: May 12 and May 26th