

Minutes – Senate Budget Policies Committee Meeting
December 04, 2015
2:00 pm in 1817 Cathedral of Learning

Members in attendance: Tyler Bickford, Beverly Ann Gaddy (chair), Emily Murphy, Wesley Rohrer, David Rowe, Nick Reslink (SGB), Timothy Folts (GPSG), Adriana Maguiña-Ugarte (SAC), John Baker, Phil Wion, David DeJong, Amanda Brodish, Stephen Wisniewski, Michael Spring for Frank Wilson (Senate Pres.), Kimberly Barlow (UTimes).

Absent: Elia Beniash, Mackey Friedman, Hiro Good, Cindy Tananis, Jessica Sevcik (CGS), Stephen L. Carr, Sean Hughes, Richard Pratt, Richard Henderson, Arthur Ramicone.

1. Approval of the minutes from the May 22, September 18, and October 16, 2015 meetings.
Draft minutes for the May 22, September 18, and October 16, 2015 meetings were sent to the SPBC members prior to the meeting. All were approved with a minor edit to the September minutes submitted by Wesley Rohrer.
2. Matters arising, announcements, proposals for new business
 - A. Gaddy updated the committee members on the creation of an NTS ad hoc committee where she and Frank Wilson are members.
 - B. Gaddy expressed interest in seeing the regional faculty salaries compared (at the January meeting) to an improved list of more comparable universities.
 - C. Frank Wilson asked all Senate committees to review the Diversity Management Plan approved by the Assembly. Gaddy pondered that it may pertain to this committee to review the salary by gender gap. DeJong reminded the committee that data on salary by gender was presented previously for FY11 and it is done every 5 years. DeJong will be sharing the FY11 data with new BPC members.
 - D. Tyler Bickford indicated that AAUP is asking for part-time faculty salary information. DeJong was not aware but A. Brodish confirmed this was now the case.
 - E. Gaddy indicated she would make this an Action Item for the January meeting.
3. Plans to review The Planning and Budgeting System (PBS).
 - A. The last time the PBS was reviewed was March 2003. Gaddy requested that members review it again this year; that maybe a sub-committee needs to be formed which would review it first and report back.
 - B. P. Wion remembers a different procedure; not by a sub-committee of BPC but an ad-hoc committee of the Senate.
 - C. DeJong clarified that the BPC is charged with making sure the system is followed; BPC can recommend that the PBS be changed/reviewed, but the Senate with the Council of Deans are the only units that can approve changes or reviews after voting on it. Last time the review process took 1 year and 22 people. It would be hard to review the PBS on this committee, but BPC can commission a review.
 - D. Wesley Rohrer inquired about the length of the document; Gaddy indicated it is about 20 pages long.
 - E. DeJong also clarified that reviews are expected to happen every 5 years; it is well

overdue by now. Recent delay has in part to do with new Chancellor becoming familiar with Pitt's administration to allow him to have input too.

F. Gaddy will make this an Action Item for the January meeting.

4. In Executive session (closed) on: Discussion of state funding, David DeJong, lead an informational discussion based on public data for the benefit of the new committee.

Adjourned by 3:25 pm.