Planning and Budget Council: Budget Committee  
Meeting Summary Friday September 7, 2012  
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM  
AB 5 210

Present: Mageria, Felton, Vazquez, Lindsey, Harrison  
Absent: Baker, Miller, Michel, Blood

FGCU Budget Report

Steve updated the committee on the Budget and where we stand following the final decision by the Florida Board of Governors. As a result of only the 12% tuition increase, it accounted for approximately a 900,000 cut to the Budget; however 300,000 was a cut in financial aid, therefore the overall cut to operating budget was roughly 600,000

Some of the impacts of the cuts included the following:

Administrative Service:
- Furloughs -- Support personnel and OPS
- Reduction in Power washing of buildings

Student Services
- Student Union Hours
- Campus Reservations—limited
- Reduction of hours of Library Operations

President Bradshaw will share with the Florida Board of Trustees all of the current cuts and their effects at the September 18, 2012 meeting.

Lindsey noted that the report should discuss how efficient FGCU has been with all of the current cuts.

Current Budget

Finished last fiscal year 2011-2012, only 1.7 million above the 5% statutory requirement.

Potential use for the carry forward money would include: Document imaging, building maintenance and possible Merwin Hall renovations (if decided to move forward with this)

Harrison, challenged the committee to get out in front of problems as we see them arising, with new communication strategies
**Legislative Agenda**

Work with the trustees to understand the importance of government relations
- Potentially hire lobbyist
- Issues with lack of representation

Largest priority for 2012-13 is to pursue the equity FTE funding. Currently FGCU received roughly $5,000.00 per FTE whereas the average FTE funding is $8,000.00

**Budget Committee Charge**

Mageria charged the committee to work with their constituents and answer the questions: What are our biggest needs if we were to be successful in acquiring the equity FTE funding. Each committee member was asked to come back with ideas after speaking to their respective constituents, so that the committee can work on prioritizing the list: Timeline is roughly 6 weeks.

**Enrollment Update**

Vasquez reported on early numbers of enrollment and enrollment revenue, and noted that we are tracking pretty well, slightly less than 200K off of projections.

**Next Steps:**
- Each Committee Member to work with Constituents to find priorities for additional recurring dollars
- Announcement of next meeting will be forthcoming
- FL BOG will be on campus September 12 and 13, 2012
- FGCU BOPT Meeting on September 18, 2012

The meeting ended at 9:00 AM.