Planning and Budget Council: Budget Committee

Minutes February 14, 2013

Edwards Hall – 210
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

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

1. **Budget Priorities**

Meeting began with re-examining Budget Priority report that was reviewed by the PBC on February 5, 2013. There were concerns brought up at the PBC meeting about the Tech fee and the advisor line item to include those advisors from student affairs, i.e freshmen advising. Committee noted the Tech fee was an issue that needs to be investigated more closely; however, the budget committee came to consensus this was outside the committee’s responsibility. Mageria and Vazquez noted currently there is about 1.1 million dollars of the technology fee supporting technology salaries. After further discussion, it was decided to move the technology refresh budget item from the non-recurring priority list to recurring list, since the expenses outlined by the IRC are more in line with recurring expenditures. The other concern brought up at the PBC was added, and will be spelled out when dealing with the advisor to student ratio.

2. **New Business**

Tri-Angle Report Due at first PBC meeting in March. Discussion ensured on what the expectation for the Budget Committee is in regards to this report. Vazquez and Felton to meet with Laviolette to discuss expectations. They will report back to Budget committee on expectation and specific charge. Harrison noted that there is a need to look at cost of degree, he would encourage that there be an examination of the internal cost of degree, this would allow for the ability to examine efficiency and quality in another way. The committee noted that it appears that the triangle report will not get to this answer of cost to degree in making enrollment decisions. This should remain a topic of discussion.

3. **Next Steps**

Next meeting scheduled for February 28, 2013 @ 8:00 AM

Meeting concluded at 8:58 AM