Planning and Budgeting Council (PBC) Meeting November 8, 2011 1:30pm -3:30pm AB5 309

Summary

Present: Toll, Carter, Crawford, Felton, Blood, Genson, Cordova, Johnson, McShane, Snyder, Harrison, Jaeger, Myers, St. Hill, Brunner, Rollo, Laviolette

Absent: Mamarchev, Roberts, Brazzeal, Magiera, Kavanagh

Report of the Council Chair:

Ron skipped his report in the interest of time.

Review of Standing Committee Reports:

Budget

Shawn Felton noted the committee met on 11/7. Steve Magiera had provided the committee information on tuition collection which is below projections. He also noted that the magnitude of tuition waivers was becoming a problem. With regard to the state budget picture, Shawn reported that the budget deficit was still likely to be between 1 and 2 billion that might translate into an 8% cut to higher education. Shawn also reported that the committee was going to look at the priorities for budget allocation conceived by LRPIEC in spring 2008 for consideration by the committee.

ERMC

Marc Laviolette stated that preparations for a university-wide day-long retention day were being advanced after VPs Magiera and Toll agreed to share $8,000 in costs. The event will occur either on March 16 or 23 depending on the availability of the keynote speaker. Marc noted that response rates for the withdrawal and attrition surveys were not unexpectedly low but would still yield valuable information. At Ron’s request Marc also provided information on revised enrollment projections for next year. He is projecting an enrollment of 13,700 students next fall. There should be 2900 FTIC and 1315 in transfer students representing an 11% and 10% increase respectively over this year’s numbers. About 400 of the 2900 FTICs are expected to enroll in the summer (there were about 310 this past summer).

ESC

Lewis Johnson stated that the ESC had approved a definition of sustainability for FGCU. He added that the definition puts education and curriculum first as institutional priorities. Lewis added that energy consumption per student was rising which probably was related to the number of students, faculty, and staff on campus.
IRC

Dave Jaeger noted the committee was working on updating certain items in the 5-Yr Technology Plan. He added that Susan Baurer is working on revising classifications for IT staff for career progression and also updating IT staff benchmarking data. In addition the committee is working on a white paper on document imaging which they hope to have completed by December 1. Finally he added that a student survey on technology preferences is currently open and will remain open for 2 weeks.

SFC

Barrett Genson stated the committee was waiting for the opportunity to have the Cabinet consider its CMP update recommendations before the Campus Master Plan would go to the Board of Trustees in January.

SPIEC

Paul stated that he had nothing new to add since the last PBC meeting.

Old Business:

Ron reminded the Council that Tom Roberts had introduced a motion at the last meeting to strike G3, action 5.2 from the updated strategic plan tables and that the motion had been tabled until the Council had the opportunity to review all the relevant documentation related to Tom’s motion. Paul explained that he had shared all of that material with the Council as requested following the meeting and that some edits to the documents had been suggested by Tom Roberts. Paul stated that he had no objection to Tom’s proposed edits and they would be accepted verbatim. Shawn made a motion which Halcyon seconded to bring Tom’s motion back to the table for consideration that was approved by the Council. In the discussion that followed Megan stated that it was appropriate to consider Tom’s motion in the context of due reflection and having had an opportunity to review all associated documentation. Doug stated that he would abstain from voting on Tom’s motion since he was not a part of the Council last year. He added that the Council should consider what process it might want to adopt for voting outside of formal meetings. There was additional discussion after which Ron called the question. Halcyon, Megan, Doug, Justin, and Billy abstained. No one voted in favor of Tom’s motion which was defeated. Next, Paul introduced an alternative motion which Megan seconded to amend the summary of May 3 to reflect what transpired immediately following that meeting and to include Tom’s objections as he stated them verbatim in the amended summary. There was further discussion before Ron again called the question. Doug again abstained from voting. Everyone else voted in favor of Paul’s motion which is included below.

“Motion: The record of the May 3, 2011 meeting be amended to reflect the following:

Tom Robert’s objection received on May 6, 2011 in response to Paul Snyder’s email to the PBC on May 4, 2011 with regard to the addition of recommendation G3, 5.2 to the updated Strategic Plan goals and actions table for 2011-2012 be duly noted in the amended summary of May 3, and that the reasons for
Tom’s objection as stated by him in his amendment to the October 25 meeting summary be added verbatim as well.

Let the record also be amended to reflect that no one other than Tom Roberts objected to the addition of G3, 5.2 following the meeting of May 3, 2011 and receipt of Tom Robert’s objection on May 6; and that no other PBC member at that time requested that the May 17, 2011 meeting be reinstated when duly notified that the meeting was to be cancelled.”

Shawn suggested that the tables currently on the PBC website be relabeled to reflect they were amended as of May 6. Marc suggested that all similar issues in the future result in formal votes. Megan added her support of that idea.

**Next Steps:**

The meeting of November 22 is cancelled. The next meeting of the PBC is scheduled to occur on December 6.