Planning and Budgeting Council (PBC) Meeting April 5, 2011 1:30pm -3:30pm AB5 309

Summary

Present: Toll, Felton, Fitch, Genson, Roberts, Snyder, Johnson, McShane, Magiera, Kavanagh, Banks for Jaeger, Shepard, Greene, Lindsey, Rodrigues, Rollo, Brunner, St. Hill, Crawford, Myers

Absent: Mamarchev, Graziani

Report of the Council Chair:

Ron introduced Jimmy Myers, the new director of the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance. In addition, Ron noted that it had been about one year since the approval of our updated strategic plan and that we were in the process of further updating.

Review of Standing Committee Reports:

Budget

Shawn Felton and Joe Shepard, Co-chairs, reported that the word from Tallahassee continues to be glum. PECO funding for the current year and next is zero but the university is pursuing strategies to complete buildings in progress. Without consideration of pension and insurance cuts, there will probably be a cut to GR of about 2%. In response to a question, Joe acknowledged that space will be tight for at least three years and probably longer. Shawn added that the committee had received a prioritized list for technology fee funding from the IRC.

ERMC

Marc Laviolette, Co-chair, stated the committee is fine-tuning a retention action plan for submission to the PBC. He reported on enrollment saying that applications for FTIC were up 6% over last year with admissions up 3%. There will be no housing shortage this year. Transfer applications are up about 15% over the same period last year. He also noted that criteria for Bright Futures awards are being made more rigorous that could have a deleterious impact on minority enrollment.

ESC

Lewis Johnson, Co-chair, reported the work of this committee was just about complete for the year and recommendations would be forwarded to SPIEC in the next few days. He said the committee was also looking at the use of the campus trails which can now be reserved through R25.

IRC

Mary Banks said the committee had conducted a review of business practices that might need information systems solutions. She also noted that the committee had developed benchmarks for IT staffing and best practices for IT staff recruitment and retention. Mary stated that the committee had identified $2M in IT priorities mostly contract renewals then supported acquisition of DegreeWorks and
replacement of hundreds of computers to prepare for the introduction of Windows 7. In response to a question it was stated that a complete list of priorities would be useful to eventually identifying resources needed to sustain IT in the face of continuing growth.

**SFC**

Co-chair Barrett Genson provided an update on the progress of the campus master plan (see March 8 PBC meeting materials). He noted a public hearing will occur on April 15. Ron mentioned that information on the campus master planning process had been shared with Faculty Senate, SAC, and other university bodies.

**SPIEC**

Paul Snyder, Co-chair indicated the committee had met with all the VPs or their designees to discuss progress on those action plans associated with their respective areas of responsibility as detailed in the SP. He stated that action plans had been received from about 95% of the units and were being reviewed by the committee. He anticipates SPIEC recommendations reaching the PBC sometime in May.

**Next Steps:**

Ron noted that meeting materials could be found on the PBC website and the next meeting is planned for April 19, 1:30-3pm in AB5 309.