Co-Chair’s Report

Paul welcomed Provost Toll and noted that the Provost had convened last week the co-chairs of the PBC’s Budget, ERMC, and SFC committees to address the near-term impact of budget/enrollment/space capacity. Paul asked Ron to provide an update of that and also info on the Legislative session that had just finished. Ron discussed the budget situation noting that FGCU had suffered a $2.9M cut that assumes a full 15% tuition increase. He noted that IHUB funding is included in the budget but is unsure whether or not the Governor will veto this amount. Ron noted that the co-chairs had been asked to work through their respective committees to do the following:

1) Review the university’s guiding principles for budget reductions as previously approved by LRPIEC and reaffirm or suggest modifications to them.
2) Review the scheduling of classes to achieve greater efficiencies in line with further enrollment growth.
3) Determine how we can best accommodate growth in full-time faculty in terms of office space.
4) How do we mitigate growth limitations and what are our revenue projections going forward to support further growth.

SP Plan Progress Report

Ron reviewed the strategic plan with regard to items falling under his area of responsibility. Ron said he would provide a handout with his progress report highlighted in bold red (see meeting materials associated with this meeting). Questions and comments were provided by Carl, Megan, and Doug that Ron then responded to saying they were all useful.

Initial Review of Action Plans

Paul turned the Committee’s attention to a hand out prepared by Dr. George Alexander. The hand-out shows the action plans by goal and unit and by goal associated strategy. Paul asked the committee to review the tables and come with any suggested edits to our next meeting. Paul indicated that the action plans themselves are too voluminous for making copies, but indicated they are available to everyone on the coral root share drive.

Committee Co-Chair Reports

In the interest of time, these reports were deferred until the next meeting.
Next steps

Paul noted that the next meeting of the committee was scheduled for March 28, when Athletics Director Ken Kavanagh and IRC co-chair Dave Jaeger would provide reports. He added that he hoped the committee could provide any comments/edits to the new goals and action plans being proposed for next year as categorized by George.