Planning and Budgeting Council (PBC) Meeting May 12, 2009 1:30 -3:00 pm AB5 309

Summary

Present: Toll, Snyder, Roberts, Bullock, Shepard, McKinney, Lennertz, Henry, Lindsey, Oistad, Nester, Banks, Rollo, Ruder Absent: Angerer, Crawford, Magiera, and Weeks

Report of the Council Chair:

Ron Toll stated that he had appointed a work group led by Kathy Miller and comprising representatives across the university including WGCU’s Rick Johnson. They have been working with some outside contacts concerning the potential development of a major stimulus initiative involving the use of FGCU’s library and IT infrastructure in a community partnership. The group is determining the possible cost/benefits of such a proposal and will be making recommendations probably by the end of May.

Standing Committee Reports:

Joe Shepard who co-chairs the Budget Committee with Chuck Lindsey provided an update on FGCU’s budget. He noted that with the cuts and additional revenues projected for next year the university should be in fairly good shape. However, since much of the budget balancing was dependent upon non-recurring stimulus dollars that at most will last for two years, it will be very necessary for the institution to conduct a review of its programs/services and organizational structure. He also discussed the cuts to our PECO money that will slow down (but not derail) the development of the Health Professions building and additional campus infrastructure.

Donna Henry, co-chair of the ERMC noted they had not met again since the last PBC meeting and therefore had nothing new to add to her report at the April 28 PBC meeting. She added that the committee would next meet on May 15.

Kay Oistad, co-chair of the IRC indicated that the IRC will next meet on May 14. At that meeting the committee will address the PBC’s request that it prioritize items eligible for tech funding. Kay also added the IRC would look at the issue of imaging technology and its potential strategic use across campus.

Mike Rollo reported on the work of the Safety and Facilities Committee saying that they have not met since the PBC’s last meeting.

Paul Snyder, co-chair of the SPIEC noted that the committee will next meet on May 15 and has just about completed its review of a proposed strategic planning process that will then be shared with the PBC.

Establishment of a PBC Committee on Environmental Sustainability Update:

Ron Toll reported that the Cabinet has not yet had an opportunity to discuss this further. He indicated that he would provide the PBC with an update as soon as he has it.
Next Steps:

Provost Toll encouraged the committees to view the PBC website and ensure that they keep their web pages current. Additional meetings of the PBC will be scheduled for this summer as the work of the committees of the Council advance.