

## **Budgets and Fiscal Planning Committee**

November 14, 2018

### **Minutes**

*Voting members present:* Dave Feeney, Drew Ibarra, Corina Rampola

*Voting members absent:* Gloria Crisp, Denise Lach, John Talbott

- **Review of Review Process**

- It is the committee's job to focus on the figures. The documents are checked by another party to assure that all of them have been provided by the submitter

- **Logistics for Winter Term and Winter Break**

- An availability form will be sent out November 15
- Reviews submitted during winter break will be reviewed and discussed via email.

- **Update from University Budget and Fiscal Planning Committee**

- *Goal 1* – Review the tuition recommendation process and make sure it conforms to current Board policy and the requirements of HB 4141.
  - The University Budget and Fiscal Planning (B&FP) Committee is starting up the tuition review and putting together a proposal for a tuition raise that will be presented to the board
- *Goal 2* – Consider a methodology for answering the question “what does it cost to deliver a particular degree or program?” as well as criteria for assessing the financial viability of an academic program or a university support service.
  - Note that financial viability is not the only, or even primary reason, we offer and sustain individual academic programs and services, but it is important that we have the tools and methodologies to understand the financial implications and strength of all of our activities as well as our collective portfolio.
- *Goal 3* – Recommend revisions to the Graduate School's policies on centrally funded support for graduate student assistantships and fellowships, in collaboration with the Graduate School.

- **Proposals in Queue**

- [Environmental Sciences](#) #99417– New Degree Program
  - It mirrors the program offered at the Corvallis campus and fulfills a demand at the Cascades campus.
  - The estimates are moderate and expenses remain consistent.
  - The school has the resources to support the program.
  - Due to a lack of a quorum, the committee will vote via email.
- [Doctor of Physical Therapy](#) #103178 – New Degree Program
  - The biggest concern is that there is no tuition for the first three years
    - 40 courses need to be developed for the program
    - They want the program to be accredited before students start enrolling
    - The Cascades campus will be footing the bill while the program is in development
      - Is there a risk in enrolling students before the program is accredited to bring in additional funds to support the program?
        - Does the accreditation body require the program to be fully accredited before students can enroll?
      - Is the three year time frame to build the program based on the time it took for other universities to create similar programs or is it an estimate by the school?
  - The chair will send back the proposal to clarify how the first three years of program development will be funded and to answer any questions about the accreditation process.
- [Executive Master of Public Policy](#) #103021 – New Degree Program Proposal
  - The Executive program will mirror the current Master of Public Policy (MPP) but will removing the internship requirement.
    - The program is designed for students who have already been in the industry and already have experience in the field.
  - The Committee would like clarification on why the program has no expected enrollment or tuition figures.

- They are attempting to fill a need for current Master of Public Policy students who have already met the experience requirement and are planning on moving those students to this new Executive program.
  - Are they not expecting any additional or new enrollments?
  - Expenses are minor as the courses are already developed and funds are expected to come from students who are currently in the MPP and will be transferred into the new degree program.
    - How many MPP students are being transferred and has there been any consideration for increased enrollment in the future?
  - Discussion for the program will continue at the next meeting. The chair will send a list of questions to the submitter asking them to clarify enrollment and tuition figures.
- **New Business**
    - None

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