

Academic Planning and Budget Committee

Thursday, September 24, 2020

MINUTES

PRESENT: S. Bronner, B. Cameron, M. Cosgrove, T. Dunn, J. Herriges, P. Klajbor, K. Kunkel, T. Malaby, W. Otieno, G. Rodger, V. Sibilkov, J. Snethen, K. Surerus, A. Swartz, S. Watson,

ABSENT: R. Freer, P. Owens

GUESTS: J. Britz, T. Ehlinger, D. Gervini, L.L. Hermanns, K. Litwack, E. Munson, M. Weinschrott,

- i) Call to order-The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.
- ii) Approval of the minutes from September 10, 2020 meeting-The minutes are approved as amended.
- iii) Provost's Update-Campus continues to review budget issues. Savings have done well for this fiscal year and the budget outlook is not as bad as originally thought. Campus and UW-System are looking into an early retirement incentive possibility to help offset the need for potential layoffs.

COVID-19 numbers are spiking particularly in Waukesha and Washington Counties. Campus is looking into more testing for those satellite campuses. Dean Bronner informed the group the test kits have been delivered but self-reporting by off campus students have been low.

Budget planning will begin the week of September 28th. This will be the first round of budget planning for schools and colleges. Additional meetings for other divisions will be scheduled after the schools and colleges. The Provost's office along with the Budget team will coordinate meetings with members of the APBC to meet about budget planning for schools and colleges.

- iv) Chairs' Update-Chair Rodger will be working with the 2030 implementation team and will keep the committee updated.

See Provost's update for Budget planning meetings.

- v) Budget update-While the budget outlook is still bleak it is not as bad as originally thought. Campus Administration is working with a variety of scenarios and will make some announcements soon.
- vi) PROPOSAL: BS in Data Science -D. Gervini and E. Munson were on

hand to answer questions by the Committee. No extra resources are needed as this program will use existing courses and faculty in Math and Computer Sciences. If the program grows any additional needs would be addressed in the future.

The committee endorsed the proposal unanimously.

- vii) PROPOSAL: Institute for Systems Change & Peacebuilding-T. Ehlinger, L.L. Hermanns and K. Litwack were on hand to answer questions from the committee. The institute developed from an endowed chair. The endowed chair will facilitate the Institute. It is budget neutral as fundraising covers costs.

The committee endorsed the proposal unanimously.

- viii) Member updates-There were no member updates.
- ix) New Business-There was no new business.
- x) Adjournment-The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 a.m.

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