

**UNIVERSITY BUDGET COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 19, 2015 MEETING**

**I. Time, Location and Attendance:**

- 10:00AM, Brookside Room at Administrative Center
- UBC regular members present: Wayne Vaught (Interim Chair), Curt Crespino, Dave Donnelly, Lyla Lindholm, Tony Luppino, Russ Melchert, Kevin Sansberry, Susan Sykes-Berry, Mel Tyler. Absent: Marsha Pyle; Peggy Ward-Smith.
- UBC ex-officio members present: Larry Bunce, Sharon Lindenbaum, Karen Wilkerson.
- Others present: Chancellor Leo Morton, Mary Lou Fritts (for Cindy Pemberton), Andry Joswara, John Morrissey, Buddy Pennington (for Peggy Ward-Smith).

**II. Preliminary Administrative Matters**

- The minutes of the February 12, 2015 Committee meeting, in the form last circulated before the meeting, were approved.
- UBC Secretary Tony Luppino reviewed the status of collecting staff and faculty input on the Budget Model Review Subcommittee's Report and Recommendations. It was again agreed that the February 19 meeting was to be informational and that the Committee would not develop recommendations until after the compilations of such staff and faculty input being compiled by Kevin Sansberry (for staff) and Tony Luppino (for faculty) are circulated to the Committee in advance of its next meeting.

**III. Information Provided at Meeting**

- Larry Bunce made a presentation based on Delaware cost study data regarding national comparative data on SCH production and costs of instruction. He provided context and noted both strengths and limitations of the data. Committee members asked questions and Chancellor Morton commented on the potential usefulness of this type of data as part of the information to be taken into account in making strategic decisions regarding allocations of UMKC's State Appropriation among academic units. Larry Bunce agreed send to his slide presentation to the Committee members for further study.

- Vice Chancellor Lindenbaum circulated a schedule showing various possible approaches to SCH costs of instruction weighting factors based on various data bases. She noted the limitations of some aspects of this data as well. UBC Secretary Tony Luppino provided some historical context regarding the data bases studied in 2006-08 when the weighting factors used to date in the Budget Model were being developed.
- It was agreed that Larry Bunce and Sharon Lindenbaum would provide the Committee with descriptions of what items are included in costs of instruction in each of the databases referenced in their presentations.

## **V. Guidance from the Chancellor and Next Steps Planning**

- Chancellor Morton noted that decisions on the net tuition “true up” were a top priority for the next Committee meeting, focusing in particular on FY 14. Tony Luppino urged that when the Committee gets to this matter at its next meeting there should be discussion of having the net tuition true up for FY 12 an FY 13 computed as well.
- Chancellor Morton mentioned the possibility of making modifications of the FY 15 GRA assigned to the academic units. There was some discussion of concern about doing that this late in the fiscal year and it was agreed that pros and cons would be discussed when the Committee turns to developing its recommendation.
- Vice Chancellor Lindenbaum circulated a revised version of the punch list of issues from the Subcommittee Report and Recommendations that incorporates comments on the previous draft from UBC Secretary Tony Luppino. The Committee agreed to use that issues list as a guide in setting the agenda for its upcoming meetings.
- It was also agreed that Dean Postlethwaite will be invited to an upcoming Committee meeting to make a presentation about the Libraries’ collection budget.