

## Minutes of the University Budget Committee Meeting

09/12/19, Brookside Room, Administrative Center

Members Present: Mauli Agrawal, Barbara Bichelmeyer, Chris Brown, Kelli Cox, Barbara Glesner Fines, Sheri Gormley, Roland Hemmings Jr., Mark L. Johnson, Brian Klaas, Ali Korkmaz, Sharon Lindenbaum, Chris Liu, Michelle Maher, Tom Mardikes, Erik Olsen, Leigh Salzsieder, Kevin Truman, Karen Wilkerson.

Members Absent (excused): Zane Heflin

Guests: Kimiko Black Gilmore

UBC Secretary Mark Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

### **Agenda Items** (see attached Agenda)

Approval of Minutes of the March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting: Secretary Mark Johnson asked if there were any edits to the March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting minutes? No additional corrections were made. Kevin Truman moved approval of the Minutes as submitted. Michelle Maher seconded. The minutes were approved with 3 abstentions.

Chancellor's Comments: Chancellor Agrawal welcomed the committee to the 2019-20 academic year and the new committee members. Introductions around the table. Chancellor Agrawal outlined his priorities for the new academic year and important changes:

1) Academic Affairs: noted RooStrong Student Success; Enrollment Management; and Graduate Studies as areas of focus.

2) The new President of the UMKC Foundation will also have an UMKC appointment to achieve better alignment between the Foundation and UMKC. Noted a great start to fund raising this year with several large gifts.

3) Curt Crespino has a new role in External Relations and Community Engagement

4) HR: Talk-It-Up training program, which focuses on mentorship training

5) Finance: stewards of the budget

6) New VCR: Dr. Chris Liu

7) MCOM & HLC Site visit

8) Marketing campaign for UMKC

9) Diversity and Inclusion seminars

10) Capital Projects: Conservatory; Hospital Hill, Student Housing, Spencer Hall labs; Bloch School all have important needs.

UBC Role Discussion: Mark began by posing the question to the committee of what should the role of the UBC be in advising the Chancellor and oversight of UMKC finances? Provost Bichelmeyer noted that the goal of the BRRRs was to provide greater budget transparency, faculty oversight through the FSBC and shared governance through the UBC. Mark noted the importance of alignment with the Strategic Plan and the advisory role that the UBC plays. Chancellor Agrawal indicated that the Strategic Plan Pillar Committees would be bringing priorities forward to the UBC to provide advice on budget considerations.

BRRRs Edits: Mark began conversation by noting that relative to the UBC role in the BRRRs is the expectation that the BRRRs would be reviewed annually and updated as needed. Provost Bichelmeyer noted the importance of UBC oversight and suggested that a small subcommittee of the UBC could be formed to build a calendar of deliverables. This idea was adopted and a group formed to do this: Mark Johnson, Sharon Lindenbaum, Barbara Glesner Fines and Tom Mardikes were selected to make up this sub-committee. Tom suggested that several campus committees may need recalibration as a result of any recommendations.

FY19 and FY20 Budget Reports: Sharon Lindenbaum presented preliminary final financial numbers for FY19 and projected budgets for FY20. FY19 ended up favorable to budget, even after the one-time adjustment for the VSP. Sharon noted that any Unit deficits on the books were now moved centrally and would be paid off over a period of time. FY19 the all funds and operating fund accounts were positive. The UMKC CFI has improved.

FSBC Report: Mark noted that he is now collecting feedback from the APR data as used by the Units and would compile that information as an evidence file for the HLC document. The FSBC will be meeting Friday afternoons from 2-3 pm (Friday following the UBC meeting).

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark L. Johnson, Ph.D.  
Secretary  
University Budget Committee