

## Minutes of the University Budget Committee Meeting

2/27/2017, Gilham Park Room, Administrative Center

Members Present: Barbara Bichelmeyer, Diane Filion, Carol Hintz, Mark L. Johnson, Ali Korkmaz, Sharon Lindenbaum, Roger Pick, Bonnie Postlethwaite, Kevin Sansberry, Susan Sykes Berry, Ted White, Karen Wilkerson, Gerald Wyckoff.

Members Absent (excused): Curt Crespino, Russ Melchert

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 PM by Provost Bichelmeyer, who “tongue-in-cheek” noted that her unanticipated conflict that prevented her from attending the prior meeting was a nasty illness that knocked her down for a few days.

### Agenda Items (see attachment)

Approval of Minutes of January meeting: Susan Sykes Berry moved approval of the Minutes of the January meeting submitted by Secretary Mark Johnson. Karen Wilkerson seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

State Updates: Sharon Lindenbaum indicated that the Governor’s budget with a FY18 core funding cut of \$7.3 M now goes to the Legislature for further consideration. The SOP, SOD and UMKC Neighborhood Initiative programs that were eliminated and core cuts in FY18 totaled ~\$10.6M. The UMKC portion of overall budget cuts represent ~9-10%. Sharon indicated that the number 1 priority is to get the SOP Springfield money that was cut restored so that program can continue. A large delegation is going to Jefferson City to talk with various legislators about the impact of these cuts on UMKC operations. There are discussions with regard to changing SB389 that ties tuition increased to the CPI, but no immediate change is expected.

### Questions:

Mark Johnson asked a question about the \$ that have already been spent on SOD renovations in anticipation of the new satellite program and whether those monies would be recalled? Sharon indicated that all monies currently allocated and/or spent would be available to be used for their initially intended purpose.

A question was asked out SB389 and whether we could raise tuition higher and then get an offset waiver? Sharon indicated that this is an option, but we don’t want this to come back to haunt us later so some caution needs to be exercised.

A question was asked about what flexibility we may have with respect to differential tuition increases between units? Sharon indicated that no for FY18, but for FY19 and beyond several strategies were being considered. Provost Bichelmeyer also indicated that we need to maximize flexibility.

Jerry Wyckoff asked if raising athletic fees was being considered and indicated that his sense of the faculty is that there would be strong objection from the faculty to increase fees to support a program that they do not consider to be a part of the core mission.

Mark Johnson asked about using flat tuition or banded tuition models? Sharon indicated that these types of models are being evaluated as a unique strategy on a school by school basis (i.e. the Professional Schools), but there are pros and cons that need to be weighed and these models don't work well in all schools and demographic groups.

Planning for Response for State Withholding: Provost Bichelmeyer moved the meeting into an Executive Session to discuss confidential matters in the draft stages. Minutes were suspended for this discussion.

Resource Allocation Model Data Team update: Mark Johnson indicated that the FSBC met last week with the rpk Group leading the discussion by conference call. April 6<sup>th</sup> is the "Save-the-Date" time for the roll out of the data analysis and discussion. There are two levels of data analysis being performed: Program View and Transcript View, which provide different looks at the dataset. The purpose of the Academic Portfolio Review is to inform us as to what the budget model(s) should like and provide a dynamic dataset moving forward in future fiscal years to make adjustments.

The FSBC will take a first look at the data to check for major errors in the dataset.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



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Secretary  
University Budget Committee