

Faculty Senate Budget Committee
Tuesday, October 19, 2021
Minutes
Approved November 16, 2021

Senators Present: Laurie Kimbrel (COE), 2022, Leadership, Research, and School Improvement, Chair; David Nickell, Chair-elect; (RCOB), Marketing, 2024; Marjorie Snipes (CACSI), Anthropology, 2023; Shelly Elman (CACSI), Theatre, 2023;

Representatives: UC Rep.: Gavin Lee (UC), 2023; CASCI Rep.: Rob Kilpatrick (CACSI), 2023 ;RCOB Rep.: Rick Sigman (RCOB), 2022;

Administrators: Kristen Smith, Director of Budget Services; Lucretia Gibbs, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs appointee; Holly Sailors, Vice President for University Advancement appointee

1. Approval of minutes from September 21, 2021 meeting
Moved by Gavin Lee and seconded by David Nickell. All in favor. Minutes approved.
2. Parking sub-committee report
David Nickell reported that the parking sub-committee is still working with Mr. Haven to gather relevant data and a recommendation regarding faculty parking fees has not yet been made. Dr. Nickell will report back to the Budget Committee in November.
3. 12 month pay option sub-committee report
The university system has decided not to pursue the 12-month pay option for faculty on 10-month contracts. The subcommittee received the following response via Lisa Kunkler from the USG Shared Services Center: "The System Office has deferred any decision regarding paying 10 month faculty over 12 months and this is not in scope for any future release at this time."
4. Process & Values document for Senate agenda
5. Follow up from Budget Workshop
 - a. Questions
 - b. Next steps

The committee discussed the process and values document and the follow up from the budget workshop together. Committee members shared thoughts about how to most efficiently work to fulfill the advisory role that is defined by faculty senate documents and our own process and values document. The focus of the discussion was how to have the most potential impact with our time and energy.

Committee members agreed that academic affairs took the brunt of the last round of cuts in 2019 and the recent reorganization. The committee will stand firm in that we recommend any further cuts not be to faculty, staff that support faculty, or other academic affairs that impact the ability of faculty to serve students.

The committee agreed that they would like their advisory role to focus on actual budget proposals or ideas rather than philosophical statements developed by the committee.

The committee also agreed on the following next steps:

- Laurie Kimbrel will confirm that a representative from enrollment management has been added to the committee and reach out to that person to invite them to the next meeting. It was also agreed that it would be beneficial to hear a report from enrollment management to understand what is being done at that office to recruit and retain students. Faculty expressed interest in assisting with generating ideas for student recruitment and retention efforts.
- Laurie Kimbrel and David Nickell will meet with John Haven prior to the next meeting to discuss the role of the committee, the questions generated after the budget presentation, and plans to address the budget shortfall including potential cuts and revenue generation.
- Laurie Kimbrel will follow up with Jon Preston about the credit hour production by course source document. Committee members expressed a desire to have a copy of that document and for input to correct errors or misrepresentations.
- The committee would like a report to the entire faculty senate from the marketing consultants to understand the new campaign to recruit students.

6. Adjourn – meeting was adjourned at 3:25 pm.

Future Meetings:

November 16, 2021, 2:00 – 3:30 pm