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Members Present: J. Constable (Chair), J. Kus, P. Newell, A. Parham,
J. Parks, J. Waayers.

Members Absent: None.

Visitor: Dr. W. Covino, Provost.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Constable at 3:33 p.m. in TA #117.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 11/17/10.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.
 - A. Report on the first meeting of the University Resources Planning and Advisory Committee (URPAC) that occurred on November 29th in the Haak Boardroom. The meeting primarily outlined the charge of URPAC and the financial challenges facing the University. Dr. Welty's introduction placed an emphasis on working cooperatively to develop creative solutions for the issues presented. Key issues identified included:
 - o How to address the increase in University facilities coupled to a decline in available facilities funding.
 - o How to address revenues and expenses associated with athletics funding for the Mountain West.
 - o What allocation protocols should be used to utilize surplus funds generated by Global and Continuing Education.
 - o Future University approaches to intellectual property as grant and contract activity increases coupled to changes in demands on University facilities and risk management.
 - o Concern about University Advancement and its inability to match peer CSU Institutions.
 - B. J. Kus reported on the most recent FACEL meeting that identified a very large list of deferred maintenance tasks including the replacement of the boiler system (~\$140 M). It was also noted that the fire marshal was on campus addressing fire safety issues and ADA compliance.

- C. Ellen Junn will be returning to the UBC as the Provost's representative.
- D. It was noted that the 2010-2011 Budget Allocations and Instructions had been made available to administrators, but not members of the Committee. John Constable noted that he would call Clint Moffitt to request the information be made available to members of the Committee.

4. New Business.

No new business was presented.

5. Discussion of the University Budget with Provost Covino.

The CSU and the UC did receive restoration of funding, however, considerable uncertainty remains regarding whether or not these funds will be retained in the Brown administration. Broadly the CSU is going to continue its strategy of keeping enrollment high as leverage for maintaining and increasing funding. Current one time funds in academic affairs of \$6 M for Spring 2011 will be used as ~\$1M for deferred maintenance projects and ~\$5M for enrollment growth. The passing of the budget has resulted in \$6M in additional funds that will be used as ~\$1M to the library and faculty searches, ~\$2M for Spring 2011 enrollment growth, and ~\$3M will be allocated to the Schools and Colleges through the budget model.

Discussion also addressed concerns by the UBC regarding enrollment management in that students are qualified to enter the CSU system according to state standards, but upon their arrival in the system students are unprepared. The result is funds being spent on remediation rather than college level instruction. The Provost indicated that the University is pursuing an early start remediation program in 2012. Under this program students can be admitted to the University, but may only enroll in classes when proficiency is illustrated in the EPT and ELM tests.

It was also noted that shortfalls in state funds may be balanced by a potential increase in fees. The Provost noted that these fee increases only affect 2/3 of the student population as 1/3 of all fee increases are allocated to scholarships to support in-need students.

6. Review of the budget data provided for the MA in Kinesiology: Sports Psychology Option.

The budget and enrollment data provided to the UBC by the Department of Kinesiology largely matched the expectations of the original program. It was noted that as an option the program had relatively few dedicated courses and required little alteration in the teaching duties and time commitments of the Department.

MSC to invite Drs. Coles and Gilbert to the next UBC meeting to discuss the program.

7. Discussion of data identifying spending patterns in Colleges and Schools provided by John Waayers.

The discussion was postponed until the next meeting of the UBC.

MSC to adjourn at 5:00 p.m.

The next University Budget Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, December 8, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. in TA #117.

Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes of December 1, 2010.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.
4. New Business.
5. Discussion of the Budget Data provided for the MA in Kinesiology: Sports Psychology Option with Dr. M. Coles and Dr. J. Gilbert.
6. Continued Discussion of College and School financial patterns provided by John Waayers.