University Planning and Budget Council
Approved Minutes
January 25, 2008
Chancellor’s Conference Room

Members Present:

Susan Breck    John Danley    Laurie Estilette
Jane Gillespie  Julia Hansen  William Krause
John Navin (chair)  Tim Schoenecker  Dianne Slattery
Kyle Stunkel    Vaughn Vandegrift  Bill Winter

Members Not Present: Scott Gluntz and Jesse Harris

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:33 a.m.

II. Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

III. Approval of the Minutes of December 14, 2007

The minutes of December 14, 2007 stand as read.

IV. Announcements

A. Chancellor’s Announcements

1. Enrollment. The final count is not yet available but tentatively it appears that the Spring enrollment will exceed that of the Fall.

2. Board of Trustees. The Board has given its approval to several construction projects on the campus. These include the expansion of the Student Fitness Center and the construction of the Student Success Center.

3. Capital Bill. The capital bill, which includes funding for construction of a new science building, was not passed during the previous term. It appears that a new bill will be introduced after the Governor submits his budget this spring.

4. IBHE. The IBHE took a new tact this year and asked universities to submit proposals under five different scenarios. One scenario, for example, assumed no increase in state funding, another assumed a 1% increase, and so forth.
B. Other Announcements

1. Bonding for School of Pharmacy. The Chair and others are developing a revised funding plan proposal for the School of Pharmacy.

V. Old Business

There was no old business.

VI. New Business

1. Faculty Equity. The Chair reminded the committee of the history of the proposal for equity funding. Only a few details remain to be worked out before submitting the proposal to the Faculty Senate and UPBC. Two budget issues remain. One regards the library faculty. The other regards the financial impact on SIUE for faculty who will be retiring in the next four years. For faculty receiving more than a 6% increase during the four-year period leading up to retirement, the institution, not SURS, is responsible for providing funds to pay that additional amount during retirement. The Chair is gathering information in an attempt to determine the potential impact on SIUE.

2. RAMP ’10 Overview. The Chair and Bill Winter discussed with the committee the budget process that will lead to the submission of the RAMP document to IBHE for FY’10. The situation is complicated even further this year by various changes in the information provided by IBHE.

3. RAMP’10. The Chair distributed a copy of a spreadsheet from last year (FY’09) that detailed the result of prioritizing requests from the Vice Chancellors under various scenarios. The Chair also distributed a document containing a list of budget requests from the Vice Chancellors for FY’10. To initiate the discussion through the next several weeks, the Chair has asked each committee member to submit his or her own ordered rankings. The Chair will combine these to determine a general sense of the committee before the group begins deliberations as a whole.

VII. Other Business

There was no other business.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the UPBC is scheduled for Friday, February 1, 2008 in the Chancellor’s Conference Room.