University Planning and Budget Council
Approved Minutes
December 15, 2006
Chancellor’s Conference Room

Members Present:

John Danley  Pug Edmonds (chair)  Jane Gillespie
Scott Gluntz  Julia Hansen  Jesse Harris
Joe Loring  Susan Morgan  John Navin
Kathleen Tunney  Josh Smucker  Jay Starratt
Vaughn Vandegrift  Bill Winter

Members Not Present: George Ladd, Carl Mitchell

Guests: Paul Ferguson, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; and, Susan Thomas, Assistant Vice Provost for Academic Programs and Planning.

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m.

II. Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

III. Approval of the Minutes of November 17, 2006 and December 8, 2006.

The minutes of November 17, 2006 were approved as amended.
The minutes of December 8, 2006 were approved as read.

IV. Announcements

A. Chancellor’s Announcements.

1. Capital Budget. The Chancellor announced that sources continue to be optimistic about the prospect for a capital budget from the legislature this spring.

2. Applications. The Chancellor announced that applications to SIUE are up 700 over the number from last year at this time.

3. Minimum Wage. The Chancellor has been in conversations with the Vice Chancellors recently over the issue of how to manage the state mandated increase in the minimum wage by $1.00 to $7.50 beginning July 1, the beginning of FY 08. One question is whether to increase by $1.00 the wages of all students (to avoid problems of compression), or to increase the wages only of those now falling below the minimum. In any case, the impact on SIUE will amount to
several hundreds of thousands of dollars. There is some sentiment for allowing the relevant units to manage this. Details of the projected total costs will be forthcoming.

4. **Task Force on Intercollegiate Athletics.** The Chancellor met with the members of the task force yesterday and discussed with them their final report. He expressed his great appreciation for their work. The Chancellor will announce to the university community his final recommendation on January 10, 2007, and present it to the Board of Trustees at its meeting of January 11, 2007.

**B. Other Announcements**

1. **Housing Rates.** The Chair reminded the committee that he had emailed a file containing the FY 2008 housing rates, including summer rates. This is an information item.

2. **Revised Priorities, RAMP 09, VC for Administration.** The Chair reminded members that he had emailed a file containing the revised priorities from the VC for Administration. This will be discussed in the future.

3. **RAMP 09 Priorities.** The Chair will be working with Bill Winter to create a spreadsheet that will include all of the RAMP requests as the committee begins the work of establishing priorities.

**V. New Business**

A. **RAMP 09 Proposals – Academic Affairs.** P. Ferguson and S. Thomas presented the proposals for inclusion in the RAMP ’09 document and discussed their development within the context of the newly adopted strategic budgeting process in the VCAA area.

**VI. Old Business**

There was no old business.

**VII. Other Business**

There was no other business.

**VIII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the UPBC is Friday, January 12, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. in the Chancellor’s Conference Room.