University Planning and Budget Council
Approved Minutes
Friday, March 20, 2015
Chancellor’s Conference Room
10:30 a.m.

Members Present:
Nasir Almasri
Erin Behnen
Rakesh Bharati
Kathleen Gardner
Gireesh Gupchup
Nancy Lutz
Norris Manning
Stephen Marlette
Christian Slifer
Morris Taylor (Chair)
Michelle Welter
Bill Winter (ex officio)

Members Absent:
Julie Furst-Bowe (ex officio)
Madeline McCune
Susan Yager

I. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 10:31 a.m.

II. Additions to the Agenda
There were no additions to the agenda.

III. Approval of February 27, 2015 meeting minutes
The February 27, 2015 meeting minutes were approved as written.

IV. Announcements

a. The Board of Trustees met Wednesday and Thursday. The Governor reappointed Joel Sambursky and appointed two new members. Fee information and several different tuition scenarios were presented at the executive session. The tuition and fee items will be on the agenda for the April 16 BOT meeting.

b. The Governor’s proposed budget is the third step of the four-step state budget process and represents approximately a 33% decrease in SIUE’s state appropriation. The Vice Chancellors are working on budget reduction scenarios. The House and Senate Appropriation hearings were held in Springfield last week. SIUE received several requests from the legislature in the weeks leading up to the hearings. Approximately 4,000 bills have been proposed in the current legislative session, 400 of which apply to higher education.
c. Lobby Day will be held next week. The Chancellor, Kenn Neher and Dave Heth will be traveling to Springfield the same day for a Legislative Audit Commission meeting.

d. President Dunn will meet with UPBC members on Tuesday, April 21 from 9:30-9:50. He will then give a campus update and Q&A session in the Conference Center at 10:00 a.m.

V. New Business

a. Evidence-Based Budgeting/Significant Trends: One handout was distributed: “Able to See a Couple of Moves Ahead: Controversy and Achievement in the Presidency of Earl Lazerson, 1980-1993.” The Council discussed ideas for structuring future UPBC processes in light of current and future trends. The Chair requested that members read the article and email additional suggestions to him.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

Next Meeting: Friday, March 27, at 10:30 a.m. in the Chancellor’s Conference Room