

University Planning and Budget Council

Approved Minutes

March 28, 2008

Chancellor's Conference Room

Members Present:

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

Members Not Present: Jane Gillespie

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 February 29, 2008

The minutes of February 29, 2008 stand as read.

IV. Announcements

A. Chancellor's Announcements

1. Searches. The Chancellor noted there are several important searches that are moving toward closure: Director of HR, VC for University Relations, and CIO. The search committee for the new Dean of the Library is bringing a candidate to campus next week.

2. Capital Budget. Some optimism yet remains regarding a capital budget this year.

3. Labs. The Provost is moving to have two new laboratories constructed in the technology building. Even if funding for a new science building is approved this year it would three or four years before that building would open. SIUE will seek approval for this from the Board of Trustees at the next meeting. If approved, the labs might be available for use by next January.

4. Tuition increase. The BOT will vote upon tuition increases at its next meeting. This year, the proposed increase for SIUE will differ from that being proposed by SIUC.

5. **State Budget.** In light of the threatened \$750 million budget shortfall in the State of Illinois, Universities have not been given permission to spend any of the 2% contingency reserve.
6. **FTE.** Over the past several years, enrollment, when measured in terms of full-time equivalency, has continued to increase.
7. **Recognizing Faculty Excellence.** The campaign for Recognizing Faculty Excellence has been initiated.
8. **Applications.** Applications for fall enrollment are up around 10% over what they were last year at this time.

B. Other Announcements

1. **BRIDGE.** The Chair announced that the BRIDGE proposal will appear as an action item on the agenda at the next Faculty Senate meeting. If the proposal passes, then an implementation committee will be formed.
2. **Contingency fund.** The Chair noted that there will may difficulties in spending the reserve held in the contingency fund because of the accounting rules that forbid purchases late in the fiscal year.
3. **Capital Budget.** President Poschard is convening a meeting of members of both campuses to examine ways of helping to assist in getting a capital bill passed this year. Two members of the SIUE faculty, John Navin and Rick Hafner, will attend a meeting in Carbondale next week.

V. Old Business

There was no old business.

VI. New Business

1. FY09 Budget. After discussion, the committee unanimously approved a revised ranking for FY09.

VII. Other Business

There was no other business.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the UPBC is scheduled for Friday, April 4, 2008 in the Chancellor's Conference Room.