# **University Planning and Budget Council**

Approved Minutes
Thursday, February 20, 2025
Third Floor Conference Room, Lovejoy Library
2:30 pm

### **Members Present**

Keith Becherer Mary Anne Pettit
Heidy Cuervo Laurie Rice
Anne DeToye (ex officio) Michael Shaw
Kelly Jo Hendricks Ian Toberman
Kevin Leonard Kevin Tucker
Jonathan Pettibone (Chair)

## **Members Absent**

Charles Berger Timothy Lewis

Candace Hall James Minor (ex officio)

Rex Jackson Jeffrey Sabby

Barrett Larkin

## Guests

Liz Cali Katie Eilers

**Denise Cobb** 

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:31 pm

II. Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

III. Discussion and Approval of November 21, 2024 Minutes

The November 21, 2024 meeting minutes were approved as written.

## IV. Announcements

a. HLC Visit will be on March 31 and April 1. Please be on campus as needed. We will get the final schedule of events about two weeks prior to the visit.

## V. Old Business

a. Budget Reporting Workgroup/Wesley Peachtree Report: Anne DeToye reviewed the list of Wesley Peachtree Report recommendations that the Budget Reporting

Workgroup then provided recommendations with implementation deadlines to the Chancellor for final approval. The ones approved by the Chancellor as of now are WPG #s 11, 18, 33, 5, 16c, 17, 2, 16a, 16b, 16d, and 28.

# VI. New Business

- a. UPBC Constituency Representation & Operating Paper revisions: This agenda item was tabled due to time constraints; however, Dr. Pettibone encouraged members to check out the PowerPoint labeled "UPBC Voting Membership Discussion" in the February 2025 meeting folder in advance of our next UPBC meeting.
- b. Program Prioritization: Provost Denise Cobb provided a presentation to UPBC regarding Program Prioritization. The presentation established the process in which the Program Prioritization will be considered and gave historical points in which this was nearly done a decade ago. In 2015-16, Interim Chancellor Steve Hansen formed an ad-hoc University Congress to address critical questions including how SIUE should prioritize its academic programs. SIUE's goals at the time were to identify opportunities for investment, strengthen and enhance our academic infrastructure, and meet demand and innovate within the curriculum to grow enrollment. Provost Cobb spoke about the headcount enrollment and full-time instructional faculty between 2013-2024 as a point in why Program Prioritization should be taken now.
- c. Update on Federal Guidance and Research Support: Liz Cali and Katie Eilers from the Grad School provided an update regarding the federal funding and the freeze placed at the end of January. As of now, if you have an awarded grant, you should continue to pursue that project. We do not know how this is going to be litigated and decided. The Office of Research & Grants is currently operating at "business as usual"; however, we are in constant communication with the SIU System about next steps.

# VII. Future Meetings

- a. Thursday, March 20, 2:30 pm, Third Floor Conference Room, Lovejoy Library
- b. Thursday, April 24, 2:30 pm, Third Floor Conference Room, Lovejoy Library

# VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:31 pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 20, 2:30 pm, Third Floor Conference Room, Lovejoy Library

Submitted by Michael Tadlock Jackson, Office of the Provost