

University Planning and Budget Council

Special Meeting

Approved Minutes

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

Lovejoy Library, Third Floor Conference Room

12:00 pm

Members Present

Marcus Agustin

Keith Becherer

Anne DeToye (ex officio)

Candace Hall

Yvonne Hart

Kelly Jo Hendricks

Rex Jackson

Doug James

Kevin Leonard

Kimberly McClellan

Jackson Morgan

Jenna Nestor

Jonathan Pettibone (Chair)

Kevin Tucker

Jim Wulfsong

Members Absent

Jennifer Hookstra

James Minor (ex officio)

Jeffrey Sabby

Melissa Thomeczek

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

II. Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

III. Announcements

There were no announcements.

IV. Old Business

- a. Revisions to the UPBC operating papers/Merger with UQC: A discussion about proposed revisions to the UPBC operating papers, which include a merger with the University Quality Council (UQC) was had. Current challenges include UPBC and UQC's limited potential, lack of enforceable operating papers, difficulty securing regular meetings with the Chancellor, and structural engagement issues. Shared governance concerns include the administration's limited interaction with UPBC, UPBC's role as a recommending body, and the need to demonstrate value to justify the

council's existence. Proposed changes include combining UPBC and UQC into a single, more functional body, focusing on strategic planning, accreditation, and long-term priorities, developing clear interaction processes with the Chancellor's Office and Vice Chancellors, considering representation models while avoiding overly large membership, and potential functions for the revised council include accreditation oversight, strategic plan development and monitoring, feedback on staffing trends and enrollment metrics, facilities planning and building naming, program prioritization and evaluation, student fee review participation, and information-sharing with constituency groups. Representation concerns include ensuring balanced representation of faculty, staff, and diverse groups, and addressing concerns from BFSA regarding proportional representation.

For next steps, Chair Pettibone will do the following: draft a list of proposed functions and roles of this new Council; meet with Provost's and Chancellor's Offices to negotiate structure and responsibilities; prepare an actionable proposal before engaging the Chancellor; convene a special meeting in late November or early December; confirm our spring term meeting schedule.

V. New Business

There was no new business

VI. Future Meetings

a. Friday, November 7, 9:30 am – 11 am, Peck Hall, 0306

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m.

Next Meeting: **Friday, November 7, 9:30 am, Peck Hall, Room 0306**

Submitted by Jon Pettibone, UPBC Chair