



## University Budget Advisory Committee

02-16-22

**Committee Attendees:** Mary Stephens, Rich Ogle, Pollie Bith-Melander, Carmen Garcia, Adela Gonzalez, Gianna Nunes, Michael Perez, Julia Sankey

**Not in Attendance:** Nancy Burroughs, Gitajali Kaul

**Committee Support:** Teri Burgess, Regan Linderman, Julia Reynoso, Angela Sevilla

There were issues with the link connecting to the Zoom; T. Burgess will review and update as needed.

The notes were reviewed and J. Sankey had one change. This will be made and the notes will be posted to the website.

M. Stephens greeted and had participants introduce themselves.

M. Stephens reviewed the Governor's 2022-23 Proposed Budget PowerPoint presentation. (The presentation was also posted on the UBAC website.) The Legislature has begun budget hearings. A May Revised budget is typically released in May. Preliminary budget allocations from the CO to campuses are expected to be released in March; final allocations will not be released until after the Legislature passes a final State budget, hopefully by July 1. .

We have been notified that we will receive an additional 300FTE, bringing our total to 9434 FTE. (Teri, is this figure from Gitanjali's folks? The figure on my PP slide was linked to the 1% systemwide increase in enrollment in the Governor's budget.)

This Governor's budget includes an atypical number of detailed goals to be obtained by the CSU. These were reviewed with the committee.

J. Sankey inquired about the Climate Action AA degrees and M. Stephens responded that she did not have any specific information to share about this item. M. Stephens will inquiry whether CO has any additional information at this time. As more information becomes available it will be share with the committee.

P. Bith-Melander asked if "instructional materials" meant stipends or reimbursements to students. M. Stephens and R. Ogle agreed that the intent of the goal is most likely to reduce the cost that students pay for instructional materials, including textbooks. It was noted that it is a faculty member's prerogative to determine what instructional materials are used in a course.



M. Stephens reviewed a PowerPoint presentation regarding the CARES/HEERF funding the campus has received and the related expenditures (the two titles reflect the fact that there were two distinct pieces of federal legislation that appropriated this COVID-related funding). There is an FAQ link for CARES/HEERF noted on the first page of the presentation, which was also posted to the UBAC website.

The currently unspent funds are focused on OIT and Facilities projects that have been adversely affected by the recent supply-chain delays. Extensions to continue to use the funding will be filed with the federal government. There will not be an extension filed for the portion of the funding for student grants as this is expected to be distributed before the end of the spring semester.

Currently there is about \$2M still to be allocated. All expenses must be COVID related; additional needs may need to be identified.

The campus needs to recognize that there are services originally funded by CARES/HEERF funds that can no longer be supported when these funds run out. We need to prepare ourselves to expect an eventual end to COVID-related services. We should consider: Do we still need student ambassadors? Will masks be available? We are still sorting through the details and the uncertainties.

If you have ideas or suggestions, please send them to your respective division VP. FBAC meets to discuss budget priorities; P. Bith-Melander will receive suggestions to bring up for discussion. R. Ogle said he is willing to forward any he receives to FBAC.

Since the meeting went over, the whole committee did not have a chance to discuss the meeting schedule. M. Stephens proposed a schedule built around the Legislature's and Chancellor's Office processes. A proposed spring meeting schedule will be presented to the committee.

A reminder that Advocacy Days are coming up and meetings with legislators are scheduled to focus on our campus needs.

There was a comment regarding Zoom spaces for students who have online classes but are also coming to campus. R. Ogle reminded that 25Live has an option for students to schedule rooms for their own use and R. Linderman mentioned there are rooms in the new library that can be used by students to participate in online classes, and G. Nunes suggested there are such rooms in the Student Center (also available on 25Live).