

University Budget Advisory Committee - Notes

9/29/17

12:30pm - 1:30pm

Attendees: Andrew Dorsey, David Colnic, Alessandra Ramirez, Sandra Lezama, John Tillman, Richard Weikart, Darrell Haydon, Julia Reynoso, Michelle Legg

Guests: Gary Torngren, Suzanne Houlden

In our last UBAC meeting, Darrell identified that approximately \$1.3 million was available for this budget cycle. He noted that the President has already committed most of this money during the previous year. There are still some uncommitted budget dollars and that there is value in having UBAC prepare its own list of prioritized investments. This list can also serve as a starting point for the next budget cycle starting in January 2018. Darrell discussed the campus structural deficit was discussed with Darrell using permanent staff paid from one-time dollars as one example of the problem. He also mentioned that campus reserves dropped by \$3M during the last fiscal year.

The funding request priority lists drafted by Cabinet will be distributed to committee to provide a starting point for the committee to prepare its own prioritized list. The committee can reorder the Cabinet's list, add, delete or move line items around. Everyone is encouraged to review the entire list. The committee can determine if base funding will be appropriate, and the prioritization order. Funding for Tenure Track is locked-in, but others items are open for discussion. The President had previously approved the tenure track faculty because of the direct correlation to student success. UBAC can reprioritized the list and make its own budget recommendation to the President.

VP Haydon is proposing a cycle change to commence budget process in January to ensure UBAC will have bigger impact moving forward than will be possible this cycle. He is open to suggestions on the process.

VP Haydon reiterated that input in the budget process from this group is invaluable and his expectation as far as the schedule. He expects a UBAC recommendation, Cabinet recommendation, and open forums for campus input. Next steps, will be to send out worksheets, then at next meeting come back and start putting together this group's priority recommendations for the President. Schedule open forum for broader feedback within four weeks. By or around the end of October, send priorities list to the President.