

## **Budgetary Affairs Committee - IUPUI**

January 14, 2014  
AO103

Attendance:

Thomas Fisher, Chair, Jacqueline Blackwell, Andrea Copeland, Andrew Winship, Steven Randall, Ann Holmes, Sherry Gass, Jenny Johnson, Deborah Cullen, Marianne Wokeck, Faculty Council Executive Committee Liaison, Didier Bertrand, Jack Schaaf, Camy Brocker, Brian Krohn

Action Items:

Camy will get the reports from the dean's responses to the administrative questions before the cluster conversations to the BAC.

Camy will check to see if the BAC provides feedback to Chancellor by March 14<sup>th</sup> if this will be able to impact the budget construction timeline.

Camy will provide the names of the schools by the deans listed for cluster conversations to Thom and Andrea.

Thom will get the notice of meetings, times, assignments and locations to the committee.

### **AGENDA (Four Items)**

1. Approval of December minutes. Minutes of the December 10, 2013 were approved as distributed.
2. Plan for Cluster Meetings – This committee will again be a part of the cluster conversation. This was action that the Executive Committee of Faculty Council decided. Both committees (BAC and Campus Planning Committee) should be participating in the strategic planning and initiatives of the campus. It should not only be driven by administration. There will be both cluster conversations with deans grouped and then at another time individual dean conversations with the campus admin only.

Camy: We intend to provide a summary that come out of both meetings to the BAC.

Member: What is the purpose of the budget cluster conversations?

Faculty Council Executive Committee Member: This process encourages transparency and breaks down silos between schools. It helps with planning and budgetary while keeping channels of communication open.

Member: Who are the conversations between?

Member: Clusters of deans and members of the BAC, members of CPC, Faculty Council Executive Committee members and campus administration.

Chair: We need to have representation from our committee to these cluster conversation meetings given Faculty Council Executive Committee requested we once again attend. I plan to attend all of them. We are to give a report from our committee to the Chancellor. Our instructions from Trudy Banta are “As you listen to the strategic initiatives the deans identify they are addressing, indicate what the committee thinks should be priority initiatives”.

Member: The response to the questions administration has asked for responses from the deans in writing, will those be provided to us prior to the cluster conversations.

Camy: Yes, we have many of them now and will get those out.

Member: It seems that the questions decided on are not addressing the BAC questions.

Member: We were asked to supply questions to make the meetings as condense as possible. They should address them.

Member: Will there be a formal opportunity to ask follow up questions?

Camy: Yes

Member: The last time we did this it did not work well because we were not allowed to ask questions nor were our questions answered. What is the landscape for this process?

Member: What should our participation look like?

Member: Let's go through the unnumbered guiding questions.

Chair: We will deliver a report one week after all the cluster meetings have concluded.

Camy: There have been problems getting feedback before the final budget decisions are made. – Those decisions are made by spring break. If there is something urgent from the conversations it can be shared informally before the report.

#### Schedule

Tuesday, February 4, 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Andrea, Debbie, Bryan, Location: CE409

Saturday, February 22, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m., Steve, Sherry, Andrew, Location: TBD

Saturday, February 22, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. Steve Sherry, Andrew, Location: TBD

Saturday, February 22, 2:15 – 3:45 p.m. Jenny, Didier, Marianne, Jackie, Jack, Location: TBD

Tuesday, March 4, 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Jackie, Ann, Jack Location: CE409

3. Resource Planning Committee Agenda Items –As the chair of the BAC, I sit on the RPC. During the December meeting, there were three agenda items. (1) Cluster conversations. (2) State appropriations reductions because the state revenues were not what was expected for 2013. 2% cut in the last quarter of this FY – hopefully for just this year. Camy estimates 4.1

million for IUPUI campus. Each of the deans have been asked to prepare for this reduction. Camy hopes it may not happen since she has read in the paper that the state legislature is acknowledging that Higher Ed took their advice and have not raised tuition. (3) Medicine update – Camy reported that the committee should be aware that the School of Medicine has approached the Board of Trustees asking for a review of the assessments in their School.

Camy went onto say give an example, when they are being assessed for “enrollment shaping,” in essence this is for undergrad students for which they have very few. SO, why are we assessed? It has an impact on allocation because of the different drivers that are used. It will affect all schools. Medicine just began the conversation. This request by Medicine has given the campus administration the opportunity to evaluate the services they provide and articulate the value. This will result in an increase in assessment for medicine but a decrease for the rest of the schools. One reason is because professional students take more than 30 credit hours in an academic year, which is not the standard for most programs/students. In summary, she said this is not changing the total amount but a reallocate of the funds.

Member: Taxes for space are the same regardless of change – will that ever change?

Camy: New buildings have to be paid for by those occupying the building – the state used to pay for construction and for some of the operations but not since the School of Law was built. Schools must pay completely for these expenses.

Member: Is there any relief for Herron School of Art & Design in that regard?

Camy: The motivation for assessing the budget structure and assessment was an initiative of SOM but we will we look at the impact for all Schools.

Member: There should be money still for the footprint of their old building.

Camy – We are talking about another building.

Camy: consumption model – we want understand what’s in the dollar being allocated. We are going to back to examining a lower level of detail for support units.

4. February 11 BAC meeting is canceled due to the Cluster Conversation Meetings. The next meeting will be March 11<sup>th</sup> 12:30-2:00 in AO 103. We will be reviewing our report on the Cluster Conversations to the Chancellor. If there are other agenda items, please send to Thom.

Respectfully,

Andrea Copeland