UNIVERSITY BUDGET COMMITTEE

Tuesday April 26, 2016. ADM 317


Proxy: Linnae Bryant, Cecil Lucy

Absent: Barbara Price, Azungwe Kwembe, Yvonne Patterson, Chyrese Wolf, Kentral Brown, Dajana Harris, Marlyn Flores, Nelly Maynard, Latrice Eggleston, Kimberly Andrews

I. Minutes: March 22, 2016: Add date, correct Attie to Arrileen, add Arrileen Patawaran as present. April 21, 2016 minutes: correct Arrileen’s spelling to Patawaran. Minutes approved and seconded with corrections as noted.

II. Edmundo asked Arrileen about the meaning of the money passed by the legislature: Arrileen said that we are seeking operating funds from State, governor stated that there will be no capital money. Vouchers have been overnighted to Springfield for $20 million. Money already spent. Since budget operated on a reimbursement basis we will have a positive cash flow for the time being. Enrollment in August will provide an infusion of cash. This will not allow us to build our reserve. We were given $20.1 million of $38 million and $2.5 million for MAP grants; we still need the $18 million in the original budget to cover our expenses.

III. Only funding for Electrical and Westside campus has been appropriated.

IV. Interior buildout for RUC is not appropriated.

V. ITD Subcommittee: Request for $1.5 million for Remote Access Control for classrooms. Discussion: this is a capital request for increased campus security. We will ask Monique whether this is capital or operational. Is VOIP urgent? Not really, but it will save money over time. We have the infrastructure but not the equipment. We have a bottleneck at the firewall. They need to be upgraded, that’s the number one priority; so equipment upgrades are the top priority. We need unlimited power supply (UPS’s) that will protect the servers. Priorities are 2, 1, 4, 3. Priorities will be put in the list for $500,000 for server upgrades and network.

VI. Academic Affairs: #1, HLC Assessment Self-Study for $25,000 is necessary. Because the amount is small, it should come from reallocation. #2 can be done by administrative fiat. Reprioritize, #3 to #1, (Library), #4 to #2 (Commuter Science Faculty), and #5 to #3 (Expansion of Nursing Program). We propose $500,000 for the Library.

VII. Financial Affairs: Accept recommendations. Missing zero: Should be $1.6 million, not $160,000. This is a university-wide recommendation.

VIII. President’s Area: Athletics and Alumni Affairs offered presentations:
IX. Athletics: We are in our third year of a five year contract with the WAC. Next year, the university will need to discuss moving forward with conference. Athletics requests are part of the contract, Tennis needs an assistant coach, would like lights for the courts, night time play. Soccer fields needs to be built and basketball court needs floor replacement for safety. WAC requirement calls for a Director of Basketball, a Head Coach for Men’s Soccer, and the renovation of the outdoor track; our facility does not currently meet WAC requirements. Coaches total cost is $100,000 total; this is our are #1 priority. Currently, we are Division 1, we may want to study the benefits of being Division 1 or another division.

X. Alumni Affairs: Antiquated equipment issue has been resolved. Two areas of priorities: Equipment issue has been resolved, the second priority is $35,000 for infrastructural stabilization. Since Alumni Affairs has a source of income through Alumni fees they should be self-funding.

XI. Edmundo lead the discussion of the prioritization vote. He will email the tallies. The committee members will vote and they will send the tallies back to him. He will compile the results and present them in the meeting scheduled for April 29, 2016

XII. Watch for list for voting for priorities.

Minutes Submitted by Judith Birgen