Meeting called to order at 2:14 p.m. by Mark Larson.

Mark Larson and Robert Snyder co-chairs, Robert Snyder not in attendance today

In attendance voting members: Lumei Hui, Michael Thomas, John Powell, Mary Kay, Saeed Mortazavi

Staff to UBC: Carol Terry

Saeed noted that it should be required that if people could not attend a meeting a proxy should be sent due to the importance of the committee and its work.

Lee Lindsey was introduced to the Committee. Carol Terry explained the differences in the Budget Office and the Financial Services Office as the Budget Office being more of the planning entity while the Financial Services dealing with the actuals. Lee Lindsey is to take over all budget issues.

A handout that described the progress to date regarding the Task Force Recommendations and the UBC responses was distributed. Item A2 was to be reworded to state: Receive periodic budget vs. actual reports from the University Budget Office. The rest of A2 was to stay the same. Item A6 should have added to the statement, that the UBC agrees and in addition that the UBC identify and communicate budget issues that are a concern to the campus. Item A4 and A5 were agreed to as is. After a lengthy discussion item B8 was revised to read, the members of the UBC would be made up of 4 faculty members. The nominees would be nominated from each unit (3 colleges, 1 from library, counseling, or coaches) but voted on by the general population of the campus. The UBC was against any member being appointed. Once this had been agreed upon, it was noted that B7 would read as vice chair who would be elected from among the UBC members. The chair would be the Provost and would not vote unless in case of a tie. The vice chair would vote unless he/she was acting as chair. It was decided to delete item B9 as B8 made it irrelevant. B10 and 11 were agreed to. B12 was modified to state that the terms of office were three-year renewable terms except by virtue of some member’s positions. (i.e., President, Associated Students, etc.) B13 and 14 were agreed upon. B15 regarding consensus was not agreed too and changed to a simple majority. B16 was irrelevant as it has been decided to have a chair and vice-chair. C17 was agreed upon to follow the current timeline. C18 was disagreed upon. D19 was agreed upon as was D20. In addition to D20 it was suggested that the President follow the existing policy regarding the budget more closely. E21 was agreed upon, but the group decided to defer making a decision regarding item 22 until more details were available. F23 was agreed upon. F27 was agreed upon with the addition of suggesting benchmarks be established for units across the campus. F28 was agreed upon and F29 with the suggestion again that the President follow more closely and carefully the budget process in place.
The group discussed an article in the Lumberjack about restructuring of the University Center (UC). There was much concern regarding the changes being reported in the Lumberjack that would turn the UC into a separate corporation and give the UC employees benefits equal to the current University employees that are employed by the State. It was noted that if such a change takes place, that the UC would still be required to cover these costs. John Powell moved and Lumei Hui seconded a motion that the UBC chair asks for information and for the committee to be consulted regarding the changes being contemplated regarding the University Center.

The next meeting will be April 25, 2008. The agenda will include a discussion on the changes to the UC Center and other items that are to be distributed via e-mail by Mark Larson.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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