MINUTES – FACULTY SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

October 12, 2016


Guests:  Sue Ott Rowlands, Sue Hodges Moore, Mike Hales

Chair Janel Bloch called the meeting to order at 3:20.

Chair’s Report:  Janel has invited Ken Bothof, NKU Athletics Director, to an upcoming meeting.

Old Business:

- In our continuing review of issues raised in the Budget Priorities Survey, CFO Mike Hales provided an overview of his area which includes the Budget Office, the Comptroller, Student Account Services and Procurement. He presented an organization chart, showing 41 FTE personnel in this unit and reviewed the services provided by each group, including preparation for implementing the new budget model. In response to a question about insurance coverage for off-campus student activities, Mike will investigate and report back. The unit is also working on developing a variety of metrics to evaluate activities in Student Accounts and Procurement. He also detailed several concerns for his unit, including maintaining sufficient resources, ever-increasing state and federal regulations and reporting requirements. As for opportunities he predicts the new budget software will provide more efficiencies in our processes. Sue Hodges Moore commented that she is maintaining a master list of feedback and comments from the budget survey to help identify priorities in the coming year.

- Janel asked if there were any issues identified at the last meeting that should be our focus: technology, workload, and compensation were expressed. Sue Ott Rowlands reminded us that SACS re-accreditation is due in 2019 and the QEP plan will involve funding. It is required that the plan be directly tied to student success.

- The Compensation Subcommittee has been established and includes Carrie McCoy, Linda Dynan, Robert Rubleske, and Amber Onorato from the Budget Committee. The first meeting will be soon with hopes of having recommendations in place by March.

- Summer/Winter Compensation – a policy drafted in 2013 is now being reviewed. Janel asked that members solicit feedback from their departments and a subcommittee will be formed to suggest revisions to the policy.

- Updates on the new budget model will be discussed with Huron’s visit on October 17.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes from the last 3 meetings:

April 13 (Loriot-Raymer/McFarland) - approved
September 14 (Kratzer/Durtsche) - approved
September 28 (McCoy/Kwon) – approved

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Campbell