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FACULTY SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

September 14, 2016

SU 108, 3:15 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Janel Bloch.

Guests: Sue Hodges Moore (Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance), Mike Hales (Chief Financial Officer), Sue Ott Rowlands (Provost)

Members in attendance: Tracey Adams, David Agard, Janel Bloch, Nancy Campbell, Nathan De Lee, Dick Durtsche, Linda Dynan, Brant Karrick, Ed Kwon, Jessica Kratzer, Marc Leone, Gisele Loriot-Raymer, Marcos Misis, Carrie McCoy, Ausbra McFarland, John Metz, Phil Moberg, Ljubomir Nacev, Amber Onorato, Bob Salyer, Cory Scheadler, Ron Shaw, Kazi Zunnarhain,

Members absent: Rich Gilson, J. Robert Lilly, Ellen Maddin, Tamuchin McCreless

- Chair's report and announcements

Janel introduced the purpose of the Budget Committee and the importance of its work in building understanding and collaboration between faculty and upper administration in addressing the difficult budgetary issues facing the university. She stressed the importance of committee members providing input from and reporting back to their departments. Education and information is an important function of this committee.

Janel overviewed the information available on the Budget Committee webpage <http://facultysenate.nku.edu/committees/budget.html> and the Budget Committee Blackboard site.

The slides from the Aug. 31/Sept. 1, 2016 educational presentations made by the administrative units to the Central Unit Allocations Committee and members of the other budget governance committees will be made available in the Resources tab of NKU's new budget model website at <http://newbudgetmodel.nku.edu/> (use NKU user name and password to access) and also posted on the Budget Committee Blackboard site.

Janel indicated that a secretary for this committee is needed. The position can be shared/rotated.

- Introductions

Guests introduced themselves.

Members of the Budget Committee introduced themselves and identified the key budgetary issues facing their departments.

- Updates from guests

Mike Hales provided an update on the new budget model.

Sue Ott Rowlands discussed the need for a plan for addressing equity/compression/inversion issues.

Sue Hodges Moore provided an update on the discussions and progress in the state government re: performance-based funding for higher education. The slides are posted on the Budget Committee Blackboard site.

- Old business

Janel reviewed the items on the list on the agenda. These are items we will focus on throughout the year.

We will continue to work on the issues raised in this Fall 2015 survey (see results at <http://facultysenate.nku.edu/committees/budget.html>), e.g., consulting costs, salaries, athletics, IT concerns/computer replacement policies, and the new budget model. We need to determine how to focus our work.

Re: summer/winter compensation, we should discuss what changes might be useful to consider/propose, particularly in light of the new budget model.

If the proposed changes to the Faculty Senate Constitution are approved, some corresponding revisions in the Budget Committee Bylaws may be necessitated. Throughout the year, we should consider what changes might be needed.

- The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.