

## MINUTES OF THE FACULTY SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE

OCTOBER 25, 2017

**Present:** David Agard, Janel Bloch, Nancy Campbell, Nathan De Lee, Rebecca Elkins, Lisa Jameson, Stacie Jankowski, Ed Kwon, Gisele Lorient-Raymer, Ellen Maddin, Carrie McCoy, Ljubomir Nacev, Erin Strome, Jeff Ward

**Absent:** Young Kim, Trina Koscielicki, Robert Lilly, John Metz, Phil Moberg, Amber Onorato, Jeanie Pettit, Randy Pennington, Terry Powell, Joseph Rubleske, Bob Salyer

**Guests:** Sue Hodges Moore, Mike Hales, Kim Scranage, Samantha Langley

Chair Janel Bloch called the meeting to order at 3:15. It was moved and seconded (McCoy/Elkins) to approve the minutes from 9/25/17. Motion carried.

There were no announcements from the Chair.

In Old Business:

- A. Salary policies – no updates
- B. Academic Partnerships – Because the Provost was unable to attend, Kim and Sam were in attendance for questions. Their involvement began this past June with the implementation process. Sam explained the procedure for choosing academic coaches through Instructional Connections, a firm that matches a faculty member's profile and needs with a roster of coaches. The average cost for an academic coach is \$30/student. She explained that Faculty Senate and TEEC are working on the course evaluation process. When the Center for Teaching & Learning is established, it will offer faculty development for these courses. There were a number of questions asking for a definition of "student" and "online program" as they pertain to AP.

Sam emphasized that advising is the faculty member's responsibility and retention and enrollment aspects will be AP's. There were also questions regarding budget impact and new budget model implications. Mike responded that a number of clarifications had been determined and would be in addenda to the contract.

Sam stated that it is hopeful that AP's marketing efforts will attract students that NKU does not typically get and expand the University brand recognition much more widely.

Kim reported on all the internal work that had to be accomplished, such as SAP set-up.

- C. Budget and D. Commonwealth Affairs – the budget process has been stalled by the unknown pension contribution amount. A special session is scheduled for November. The CPE is working on a biennial budget recommendation to the Governor, with a special initiative request to help cover the KERS increase and budget matches for asset preservation

expenditures. This initiative would possibly benefit institutions who have already spent their match amount on asset preservation, like NKU. The recommendation is due to the Governor on November 15.

E. Budget Priorities

Mike reviewed a PowerPoint and handout on recurring and non-recurring investments. The final amounts, coming from a 2% reallocation from each division, were determined from a variety of input, including our committee's survey.

New Business

Janel reported that a discussion on the Senate Facebook page regarding phone calls from students to faculty soliciting donations to NKU had raised a number of concerns as to legitimacy. Several committee members had received calls. Janel said that Eric Gentry from the Foundation office was investigating and had stopped the phone calls.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Campbell