MINUTES OF THE FACULTY SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE
MARCH 27, 2019

Present: Shawn Nordheim, Jason Applegate, Patrick Hare, Stacie Jankowski, Alina Campan, Janel Bloch, David Agard, Nathan De Lee, Kalif Vaughn, Nancy Campbell, Ryan Alverson, Kim Kattus


Guests: Sue Ott Rowlands, Mike Hales, Zaidi, Mary Paula Schuh

Chair Janel Bloch called the meeting to order at 3:18. It was moved and seconded (Kattus/Jankowski) to approve the minutes from 3/6/19 as distributed. Motion carried.

Janel welcomed Mary Paula Schuh, Director of Campus & Space Planning and Zaidi, AVP – Facilities Management, to provide the committee with an update on NKU’s Capital Plan. Mary Paula presented 12 projects that have been prioritized for state funding:

1. Science Center - improvements and addition, including teaching labs, research labs, etc. particularly with the STEM emphasis
2. Fine Arts renovation – it has serious mechanical issues
3. Business Center – renovation and expansion
4. Nunn Hall – renew and renovate
5. Underground utilities improvement, especially water lines
6. Steely Library – renew and renovate
7. Building systems projects pool
8. Upgrade administrative systems, e.g. SAP
9. Campbell Hall – placeholder for renovation, should a corporate partner emerge
10. Next generation digital campus
11. Cybersecurity
12. Sci/Tech equipment pool

Total for these items is $309,450,000. There are other projects, including work on the residence halls, that are also ongoing. If anyone has questions or observations, please send to Mary Paula.

CFO Mike Hales presented a summarized version of his recent budget presentation to the Board of Regents. Highlights include a 2.8% tuition increase, a $251,500,000 ’19-’20 operating budget, 2.6% weighted average parking increase (various parking fee conversations are still taking place), enrollment goals by college, and an overall emphasis on student persistence. He also commented that the University was committed to keeping fees as affordable as possible. Priorities for the operating budget include a 2% pay increase in July, investments in infrastructure, safety requirements, instructional equipment, and faculty for accelerated online programs. Mike will send his slides to Janel for posting in our Canvas site.

In the Chair’s report Janel announced that Faculty Senate had approved the Summer/Winter Compensation policy and it will be forwarded to the President. Janel had presented the Faculty Extra Compensation Policy to the Academic Affairs Council, which was approved.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:25.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy F. Campbell