

MINUTES OF BUDGET COMMITTEE OF FACULTY SENATE
13 APRIL 2009

Attending: Seyed Allameh, Heather Bullen, Steve Crites, Ken Engebretson, Rich Gilson, Gary Hackbarth, Gretchen Kauscher, Barbara Klaw, Doug Krull, Julie Mader-Meersman, John Metz, Carl Miller (chair), Catherine Neal, Judy Voelker, Jeff Ward, Rob Zai

Guests: None

Absent: Hazel Barton, Paul Cooper, Adele Dean, Emily Detmer-Goebel, Clinton Hewan, Jon Gresham, Andrea Lambert, Aron Levin

Carl Miller opened the meeting at 3:07.

The March minutes were approved as written.

Carl Miller noted several points, including the following.

Although there had been discussion of charging students for credit hours above 12, this will probably not be done (doing so might reduce enrollment). There is a 4% increase in tuition that has been presented in the latest budget.

We anticipate further reduction in state budget allocation, but in order to receive federal stimulus dollars, NKU's budget cannot fall below the level of 2006. This is approximately a 2.3 million dollar reduction over the last two years.

The groundbreaking for the new informatics building is scheduled for May. However, additional funds (approximately 10 million) are still needed.

Faculty should take note of the SACS requirements with regard to General Education and make sure that funding is available to accomplish the objectives. Although reform might be needed, SACS requires that we assess Gen Ed.

Course registration will move to the SAP system in May. Advisor tab training and course registration workshops are encouraged (see ITSC website).

Although he plans to continue to be a representative on the budget committee, Carl is stepping down as chair. Ken Engebretson will be chair next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:28.