**Budget & Planning/TAC Committee**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Zoom Meeting**

**March 8, 2022**

**Noon**

Chair Vitor Pedrosa called the meeting to order at 12:04

**Present:** Lyle Henderson, Linda Jerofke, Tressa Seydel, Cedric Reil, Helen Moore, Anthony Tovar, Alexa and Vitor Pedrosa

**Ex-Officio:** Lara Moore and LeeAnn Case

**Others:** Tonya Evans

**Absent:** Emily Adams, Karyn Gomez, Emily Mendoza, Keanne Kestie and Scott McConnell

**Approval of January 25, 2022 Meeting Minutes:**

**Motion:** Linda Jerofke moved to approve the minutes as presented.

**Second:** Helen Moore

**Discussion:** None

**Action:** Motion passed

**22-23 Tuition Proposal**

Lara reported that ASEOU forums are being scheduled and reiterated the importance of understanding both the budget and tuition in order for this committee to fully understand the tuition proposal. Lara encouraged the group to ask questions as the information was presented and reminded them that it is very important to understand the information.

**Review of FY22 & FY23 Budgets**

Reminding the committee that because it is important for everyone to understand the budget information, LeeAnn presented a quick review of the FY22 budget and where we are currently. We are at a 1.8 use of our fund balance. She then gave an overview of the projection for FY23 and that it is time to execute on enrollment. Investments were reviewed along with revenues, known expenditures and the budget gap of 3.5 million as well as what needs to happen to close the gap. She reported that without tuition, estimated revenues are about twenty-three million dollars and that we are expecting an increase in enrollment. Expected tuition is estimated at about two million dollars. LeeAnn presented information regarding the funding that comes with students who are Oregon residents. Because this is pretty complicated, LeeAnn offered to further discuss it with anyone who wanted/needed more information. She stated that though the committee had heard the information several times, multiple reviews and conversation around the FY22 and 23 budgets will help set the stage for future tuition and budget discussions.

All present agreed that everything is pretty straight forward.

LeeAnn then presented the draft tuition proposal that was shared with students last week. She reminded the committee that this was just a draft.

**Questions:**

**Vitor**

What is the business differential at?

**LeeAnn:** *The undergraduate rate is currently at 13.50 and 17.50 for graduate.*

What would computer science differential start at next year?

**Lara:** *The computer science differential would mirror those of business.*

**Linda Jerofke**

WYLIE doesn’t seem to be producing the number of students that they said they would. Has EOU been in conversation with them about that?

**Lara:** *Explained that they did not meet the terms last year, and that when they don’t meet the minimum we do a settle up with them on a term to term basis which changes the revenue share.*

**Linda**

Will there be a point that because they aren’t producing, we will break that contract?

**Lara:** *Anything is possible, however, that hasn’t been proposed or talked about as this point.*

Lara shared that we pay very close attention to where we are in the market. We are currently a little early to have all of the information from the other institutions but as soon as we do, it will be shared with the committee.

LeeAnn reminded the group that because this team also serves as the tuition advisory committee, students are highly encouraged to engage in conversation and questions.

**Vitor**

Stated that he does not like to see increased tuition but doesn’t see any other way. Doesn’t think that the Computer Science program should be charged that differential because it doesn’t offer many opportunities. If he had to pay an additional $600 per year he may have chosen a university that offered more opportunity.

**Tressa**

Online non-residential fee- are we tracking so that we can see if the fee is having an effect on enrollment?

LeeAnn: Stated that she believed that Holly Chason was tracking.

Lara also shared that after a long and hard fight, we did get four million dollars grant to update the grand staircase.

We also received 1 million dollars for the arts. Lara encouraged everyone to thank Tim and Tom as they fought hard for these funds.

**Vitor**

There is a line item for Administrative Professionals. Will they get an automatic increase each year like professors?

**Lara:** Yes, they are not under contract so their salary is not negotiated it is an annual increase.

**Vitor**

Because tuition is going up, will student worker wages go up?

LeeAnn: Student wages are based on minimum wage so they will automatically get a .50 raise in July.

**Next meeting**

LeeAnn:

It is important that the group have further discussion around tuition increases, in order to prepare a recommendation to be presented to the board on April 6th.

Group should consider meeting either March 29th or April 5th.

**Vitor**

Would be interested in how EOU recruits for new students.

**LeeAnn** said that we would try bring in guests to share this information at the next meeting

Group agreed to meet on March 29th.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:52PM

Respectfully Submitted

Tonya