

FISCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE PRESIDENT
Minutes of April 17, 2013

Members Attending: Pam Barr, Hugh Hudson, Risa Palm, Jerry Rackliffe, Lesley Reid, Don Reitzes, P.C. Tai, Jowanna Tillman, Mary Beth Walker, Jim Weyhenmeyer, Peggy Wilmoth

Others Attending: Paul Alberto, Larry Berman, Chris Connelly, Irene Duhaime, Michael Eriksen, Steve Harmon, Fenwick Huss, Beth Jones, Steve Kaminshine, William Long, Carmen Newton, Nan Seamans, Edgar Torbert

The minutes of February 6, 2013, were approved.

FY2014 Budget

Dr. Rackliffe distributed tables summarizing the FY2014 budget allocations by colleges, vice presidential areas, etc., including strategic faculty retention funding, gender equity funding, transfers between units, and targeted new funds. The balancing line of new funds was designated FACP strategic initiatives (FACPSI) in the amount of \$1.7 million. The FACPSI dollars will be parked in the Provost Office pending recommendations from FACP as to the targets to be funded via budget amendments after July 1, 2013.

Discussion ensued regarding potential areas to be funded:

1. Faculty-staff morale
 - Across-the-board, rather than competitive
 - Summer faculty funding
 - Flexible accounts for professional item purchases for faculty and staff
2. Graduate student support
 - Health insurance
 - Travel
3. College-particular unmet needs
 - New faculty or staff support
 - Programs of excellence, not part of 2CI
 - Post docs connected to 2CI clusters
4. Classroom support
 - Technology
 - Furniture
5. International initiatives
6. University Strategic Plan enhancements or updates

The members of FACP representing Deans Group, other University Senate committees, Staff Council, SGA, etc. were asked to solicit recommendations from their respective entities regarding the above potential funding areas as well as

other areas that might be targets for the \$1.7 million. FACP discussion will continue at the next meeting on May 8, 2013

Student Technology Fee

Dr. Harmon presented the recommendations from the University Senate Committee on Information Systems & Technology subcommittee for FY2014 awards of Student Technology Fee revenues. The funding process was revised to have the committee review of proposals prior to the IS&T and Facilities feasibility/impact reviews. The process was also revised with respect to a formulaic approach for making awards to the colleges and other units, with the formula based on 5-year average awards. The motion to accept the committee recommendations passed.

ORP

Dr. Hudson noted the action of the state legislature to seek a fiscal note regarding conversions from ORP to TRS. Any authorization of a conversion window will entail a revenue neutral procedure.

Prepared by Edgar Torbert
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