

## University Senate Budget Committee

Tuesday, March 13, 2012

750 Andrew Young School of Policy Studies

10:00 am

### *Minutes*

Members Present: Cheryl Delk-LeGood, Irene Duhaime, Peggy Gallagher, Hugh Hudson, Miriam Jackson, Chester Phillips, Rose Sevcik, Sarah Steiner, Ellen Taylor, CherianThachenkary, VolkanTopalli, Winnie Tsang-Kosma, Elizabeth West, Katherine Willoughby, MaryannWysor

1. Minutes from the January 2012 meeting were approved.
2. Budget and BOR Updates

#### The State and the General Assembly

According to Georgia's DOR, state tax receipts increased by 7 percent in February over last year; for the first eight months of fiscal year 2012, state revenues have grown by 4.7 percent.

The General Assembly has reached agreement on HB 741, Amended FY 2012 Budget +\$18.5 billion total state funds.

The Georgia House has passed and the Senate is considering HB 742, FY 2013 Budget

- \$19.2 billion annual state budget for fiscal year 2013
- minor changes from the budget proposal submitted by Gov. Nathan Deal includes about \$700 million in additional spending over this year's budget
- incorporates the governor's proposals to consolidate several smaller state agencies and eliminate nearly 600 government jobs.

Georgia Senate passed SB 458/HB 59 that would ban illegal immigrants from attending public colleges in Georgia, including 35 USG and 25 technical colleges; The House has not passed this by crossover day; at the BOR meeting in February it was noted that the number of undocumented students is 1/10 of 1% of total students.

#### Board of Regents

Katherine provided an update on the progress on institutional consolidations approved at the last BOR meeting. She also briefed members on the Complete College Georgia plan that includes five elements:

- college and career readiness in P12 pipeline; a five-state consortium is working on this;
- promote the effective use of analytics, metrics and data; provide institutions with good data;
- transform remediation to lessen the need, perhaps through better diagnostics

- reduce time to degree (articulation, prior learning assessment); looking at tools to reduce time for students in the system, and promote student graduates with quality credentials;
- maximize student time in the system by restructuring delivery; promote distance education through additional online course offerings

Katherine then reviewed FY 2012 USG revenues and expenditures through the second quarter, teaching program only. This information is available at: <http://www.usg.edu/regents/meetings/date/2012> and checking the February 7<sup>th</sup> minutes.

### Georgia State University

Katherine noted that aside from funding promotions, there is no indication of funding for pay raises for the fifth year in a row.

#### 3. Presentation of report from Subcommittee on Planning and Contracting for GSU Building, Maintenance and Repair

Sarah Steiner presented an informational report that explains the processes by which repairs and renovations of buildings and spaces are evaluated, recommended and approved at Georgia State University. Sarah emphasized that the report attempts to clearly present the processes currently in place for infrastructure development on campus. She thanked subcommittee members and Sandra Garber for helping the committee with completing this report. A motion to accept the report and post it on the SBC homepage was approved.

#### 4. Other Business

Katherine advised that the subcommittees on graduate funding and indirects continue with their work.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.