

University Senate Budget Committee

Tuesday February 25, 2014

1081 Langdale Hall

3:00 PM

Members Present: JoAnn Bacon, Pam Barr, Diane Belcher, Irene Duhaime, Peggy Gallagher, Charles Gilbreath, Joe Hurley, Jerry Rackliffe, Lesley Reid, Vincent Rehder, Rose Sevcik, Jowanna Tillman, Volkan Topalli, Wendy Vence

1. Lesley Reid Called Meeting to Order

2. Approval of the Minutes

3. BOR, CBSAC, & FACP Reports

No reports this month.

4. Graduate Student Fees Subcommittee – Vincent Rehder

The committee presented preliminary information on a report it is currently drafting to examine the fee structure for graduate students. The report will (1) address graduate student fees in comparison to universities across US and (2) look at fee structures for Georgia Tech, Georgia State, and the University of Georgia. At minimum, the report will propose a fee package waiver similar to what is in place at UGA. This waiver reduces fees for graduate students who are late in graduate career and only enrolled in dissertation, thesis, research, and internship hours. Beyond just getting GSU fees in line with other state research institutions, the committee report will cover other concerns of graduate students related to fees and stipends as well.

5. Faculty Salary Study Subcommittee – Volkan Topalli

This committee is examining faculty salaries over the past few years in terms of competitiveness with other research very high universities. Volkan Topalli presented comparative data on salary by department and rank for a number of representative departments. The aim of the report will be to examine the impact of the recession on GSU faculty salaries versus other similar universities and to assess the competitiveness of current salaries at GSU by rank.

6. Meeting Adjourned