University Budget Advisory Committee (UBAC)
Meeting Notes
April 17, 2015, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Solano Hall Conference Room

Members Present: Fred Baldini (Chair), Michael Bloss II, Karen Davis-O’Hara, Paul Edwards, Marya Endriga, Stacy Hayano, Christine Miller, Deidre Sessoms, Greg Siino, Linda Kay Soriano

Members Absent: Simran Kaur

Others Present: Ed Mills Vice President for Student Affairs (SA); Bill Macriss Interim Athletics Director; Angel Thayer (BPA)

Agenda Items: Vice President (VP) Ed Mills joined the committee at approximately 3:00 p.m. to discuss SA’s budget call submission. VP Mills began his presentation by focusing on SA’s objectives for meeting the University’s Strategic Plan. They are concentrating on programs and strategies aimed at increasing graduation rates and decreasing time to degree. They are also collaborating with other divisions, maintaining a strong commitment to students through programs and services, and working to promote a comprehensive University experience. He discussed the divisions’ opportunities and challenges in meeting their strategic goals. The new “One Stop” student center will greatly improve the student experience; the overall goal is to reduce bureaucracy and the number of different offices students are required to visit. This will allow students to easily and effectively complete their administrative tasks in a timelier manner. SA is also collaborating with community colleges to reduce the number of students who require remediation; they’re working to ensure students are college ready and have completed all of their lower-division requirements before transferring to Sac State. He then pointed out some of their challenges. For example, admission and financial aid applications have continued to increase yet staffing numbers remain the same. This greatly affects the time available for implementing new initiatives related to their strategic goals. VP Mills then went over SA’s All University Expense (AUE) and one-time requests with the committee. After answering various questions from UBAC, VP Mills departed at approximately 3:45 p.m.

The committee briefly discussed SA’s presentation and then the Interim Director of Athletics, Bill Macriss, joined the committee at 4:00 p.m. to discuss Athletics’ budget call submission.

Interim Director Macriss went over his narrative with the committee. He pointed out some of Athletics’ budget challenges and possible solutions. Their greatest challenge continues to be their salary gap and lack of reserves. He hopes UBAC will address their salary gap with strategic one-time funding, with baseline funding provided thereafter. Director Macriss then went over Athletics’ AUE and one-time requests. He noted the priority for two of their one-time requests had changed due to the urgency of the request. The football scoreboard stopped working following Athletics’ budget call submission in early April, so this request was moved to the top of their one-time funding needs. Also a storage shed used for multiple teams was destroyed in a March fire; they now need to replace the storage shed, as well as equipment lost in the fire. Interim Director Macriss answered various questions posed by the committee and left at 5:00 p.m.
Future Meetings: All meetings are held in Solano Hall, Room 5000 unless otherwise noted.

- Wednesday (4/22/15), 9 to 11am – committee deliberations
- Monday (4/27/15), 8am to noon – committee deliberations