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Minutes

Wednesday, January 18, 2017
8:15-9:50 a.m. Old Main Boardroom

Present: M. Galilee-Belfer (Co-Chair), R. Richardson (Co-Chair), D. Armstrong, B. Carter, A. Comrie, J. Duran, J. Fares, J. Florian, G. Goldman, S. Helm, A. McClure, M. Miller, M. Proctor, C. Rocha, C. Stoffle, J. Treviño, S. Umashankar, A. Vaillancourt, K. Whisman, X. Zeng

Absent: M.L. Brown, M. Burke, V. Del Casino, P. Dourlein, K. Espy, M. Finnegan, M. Jonen, J. P. Jones, L. Nadel (Sabbatical), J.P. Rocznik, M. Taylor, J. Udeozor, K. Urquidez

Call to Order

Co-Chair M. Galilee-Belfer called the meeting to order at 8:17 a.m.

Approval of the Minutes of November 2 and December 7, 2016

The minutes of November 2, 2016 were approved as amended. The minutes of December 7, 2016 were approved with two abstentions.

Updates

Provost Comrie shared with the Committee that Athletic Director Greg Byrne had accepted a position as Athletic Director at the University of Alabama- the Crimson Tide. The question was asked about the status of the athletic fee. The Committee was told that all UA fees, including course fees, would be part of the tuition discussion this year with student groups and others. G. Goldman said he looked forward to a SPBAC discussion on budgeting priorities for FY18 at one of the February meetings.

Comrie said that Governor Ducey's proposed state budget did not include a significant budget increase to the three state universities. Such an increase would have aligned with the ABOR proposal for the state to fund half of an in-state student's average tuition. The state currently funds approximately 30% of the cost of in-state tuition. Much of Ducey's educational funding increases would be for K-12 and the establishment of teacher academies at the three state universities to address the Arizona teacher shortage. Details of what teacher academies might include are still to be worked out; the Governor's budget did not allocate funds toward their establishment.

G. Goldman explained how the proposal concerning state sale's tax recapturing would work, and how it would affect university budgets for deferred maintenance funding. He

also explained why cities and counties might not support the proposal without a better understanding of the economic impact.

A. Vaillancourt said that Arizona House Bill 2120 has died before going to committee. It was a proposed bill that would have penalized universities for teaching classes focused on social justice.

Discussion: Inclusive Excellence wording in Never Settle

Members discussed the placement of *Inclusive Excellence* in the *Never Settle* documents that were distributed to the Committee. Members worked with wording and placement of language to include the University goal of *Inclusive Excellence* in the *Never Settle* document. A five member sub-committee will continue to work on the document, and bring back proposed changes to the *Never Settle* language.

Members were reminded that *Never Settle* is a set of goals and aspirations that continues to evolve with the institution.

Discussion: NTT Task Force faculty titles

Members discussed if there is a need and/or way to identify nontenure track faculty with a title than does not begin with “non”. There was general support for University efforts to better understand how important this is to affected faculty and exploration of alternative language.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

Future Meetings

February 1, 2017

8:15 am – 9:50 am Old Main Boardroom

February 15, 2017

8:15 am – 9:50 am Old Main Boardroom

March 1, 2017

8:15 am – 9:50 am Old Main Boardroom

March 15, 2017

CANCELLED-SPRING BREAK