

Strategic Planning and Budget Advisory Committee

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Minutes

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

8:15-9:45 a.m. Old Main Boardroom

Present: A. Vaillancourt (Co-Chair), X. Zeng (Co-Chair), D. Ayoun, B. Berrellez, M.L. Brown, M. Burke, V. Del Casino, P. Dourlein, J. Duran, J. Florian, J. Goldberg, J. Jones, S. Keim, T. Konduri, I. Kron, D. Liverman, N. Masters, M. Miller, S. Moore, J. Roczniak, L. Rulney, A Schulz, M. Slepian, J. Summers, M. Teemant, K. Washington White, K. Whisman

Absent: B. Carter, S. Helm, K. Ogden, M. Tatum, M. Taylor, R. Tsosie, B. White

Call to Order

Co-Chairs Vaillancourt and Zeng called the meeting to order at 8:17 am

Approval of the Minutes of January 16, 2019

The January 16, 2019 minutes were approved.

Updates

Committee members congratulated Vincent Del Casino on his appointment as Provost at San Jose State University.

President Robert Robbins

Robbins announced the appointment of the new Vice President for Strategic Initiatives, Jane Hunter. Hunter will work with Senior Vice President and Senior Associate to the President, Jon Dudas, in executing the Strategic Plan. The current search for the three SVPs is expected to be completed this semester. Uncertainty surrounds the RCM model, as investing in the UA's infrastructure and IT security is inevitable. The budget team continues to untangle legislative updates, and an important issue is related to the TRIF investment. Investment in student success is targeted toward increasing the undergraduate research objective.

Interim Senior Vice President for Business Affairs and CFO, Lisa Rulney

Parking and Transportation Services, UA BookStores, and the Student Union are now under the Business Affairs umbrella. The search for a new Director for Parking and Transportation Services has been completed.

Senior Vice President and Chief Marketing and Communications Officer, Steven Moore

Progress has been made in communicating and promoting the purpose and value of UA, but more data are needed to support decision-making. Moore attended a Budget and Organizational Structure meeting at Arizona State University (ASU). Funding behind programs differs greatly between the UA and ASU (spending much more than UA on advertising in general and for its online programs). Del Casino said that the UA online learning programs target ambitious learners, usually those of the adult population. Robbins added that the UA ranks higher in research endeavors than ASU, and that retention and graduation rates could be improved to fall in line with other AAU institutions.

Interim Provost, Jeffrey Goldberg

The Dean of Engineering search has yielded three final candidates for consideration. Campus interviews are being scheduled. The Student Success District project is moving ahead. With Del Casino's scheduled departure, his portfolio in the Office of Academic Initiatives and Student Success will be reorganized.

Department Head of Emergency Medicine, Samuel Keim

Keim provided an overview of the UA Health Sciences strategic plan. Initiatives in all five Pillars were discussed. In the discussion, it was recognized that both human health and space science/technology are potential areas for UA-ASU (and possibly UA-ASU-NAU) partnerships.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 a.m.