

## **Strategic Planning and Budget Advisory Committee**

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### **Minutes**

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

8:15-9:45 a.m. Student Union Sabino Room

Present: A. Vaillancourt (Co-Chair), D. Ayoun, B. Berrellez, M.L. Brown, P. Dourlein, J. Duran, J. Florian, J. Goldberg, S. Helm, R. Hernandez, J. Jones, S. Keim, K. Kowalski, I. Kron, N. Masters, S. Moore, K. Ogden, A. Miller, R. Miller, L. Rulney, C. Sigurdson, M. Slepian, J. Summers, M. Taylor, R. Tsosie

Absent: X. Zeng (Co-Chair), B. Carter, V. Del Casino, D. Liverman, A Schulz, M. Tatum, M. Teemant, K. Washington White, K. Whisman, B. White

### **Call to Order**

Chair Vaillancourt called the meeting to order at 8:18 am

### **Approval of the Minutes of March 20, 2019**

The March 20, 2019 minutes were approved.

### **Updates**

#### **Senior Vice President for Business Affairs & CEO Lisa Rulney**

The tuition hearing was successful. The next focus is building the Student Success District, which will be partially financed by the sale of revenue bonds.

#### **Interim Provost Jeff Goldberg**

- ~ There were 37 proposals totaling \$50M submitted as part of the Provost's Investment Fund competition process. Nine proposals at \$5M funded, including the Data Repository Project from the Libraries
- ~ Conversations continue regarding a potential merger of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences and College of Humanities. Should there be support to move forward, we will follow the process that has been established to govern mergers.
- ~ Rumors regarding the closing of UA South are untrue.
- ~ The next Dean for the College of Engineering will be announced soon.

#### **President Robert Robbins**

- ~ President Robbins met with the legislature to discuss the budget. At this point, there appears to be support for \$35M in one-time funding that the three universities will split, \$21M for the teacher's academy, and \$50M for health sciences.
- ~ President Robbins visited Nogales, Mexico to explore opportunities for students to take classes across the border or to have an outreach program for students and staff.
- ~ President Robbins shared his thoughts on the recent controversy related to the presence of the Border Patrol on campus. President Robbins stated that he supports free speech and the exchange of ideas and said he will not stop the investigation of the students charged with misdemeanors. He shared that he has met with multiple groups including students and the University is working with multiple groups including the FBI, UAPD and the Joint Terrorism Task Force to ensure the safety of students, faculty, and staff. The discussion centered around whether the Border Patrol should be able to come onto campus in uniforms and with weapons. President Robbins ended the discussion reiterating the fact that his number one goal is to protect everyone on this campus.

### **Senior Vice President & Chief Marketing/Communications Officer Steve Moore**

Brand development related to the next capital campaign begin in mid-April. The new brand and positioning will be finalized by the end of April and will be shared with SPBAC at the May 1 meeting.

### **Updates and Discussion: Higher Learning Commission Planning and Input**

Jessica Summers gave a presentation on the Higher Learning Commission accreditation process. Our last evaluation was in 2010. Summers asked SPBAC for examples of evidence to demonstrate our impact to the larger community.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 a.m.