Budgetary Affairs Subcommittee – Minutes

Meeting 1 — 9 September 2014 — 1:30pm, NF 355
Present: Susan Anderson, Noor Bobieva, Cigdem Gurgur, Steven Hanke, Peter Iadicola, Jeff Malanson, Peter Ng

Absent: Deb Poling

Meeting called to order at 1:35 pm.

Jeff Malanson was unanimously elected as chair for 2014-15.

A discussion ensued of what we would like to see the committee work on over the coming year, and what role we would like to see the committee play with URPC, USAP, and the budget process.

We specifically identified work that was started last year on DCS and Athletics as projects of ongoing concern, and wondered what the status of URPC’s investigation of the costs and benefits of Dual Credit was from last year.

Finally, we believe that the committee must play a role in any budgetary discussions stemming from the Strategic Alignment process and would like to see the committee reincorporated into the annual budget process.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.
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**Meeting 2 — 21 October 2014 — 1:30pm, NF 355**
Present: Susan Anderson, Noor Borbieva, Cigdem Gurgur, Steven Hanke, Peter Iadicola, Jeff Malanson, Peter Ng, Deb Poling

Meeting called to order at 1:35 pm.

The committee spent the meeting discussing a working paper labeled, “Integrating the Strategic Alignment Process Into University Governance.” In brief, the working paper proposes creating a new Senate subcommittee to take over the functions of the current University Strategic Alignment Process (USAP) Task Force. The newly proposed subcommittee would incorporate representation from across the university, including CSSAC and APSAC, and would report to URPC and BAS.

BAS had a far-ranging discussion about the current status of USAP, the viability of transforming this process from the ad hoc task force that it currently is into an institutionalized process that allows for greater oversight through faculty governance, and the varied potential complications with the working paper in its current form (including its relatively narrow focus on resource issues as opposed to other policy recommendations coming from USAP, the composition of the proposed subcommittee that would replace USAP, and a lack of clearly stated objectives or goals for the newly proposed subcommittee).

After much discussion, the committee agreed to the following plan of action:
- We will move forward with the proposal to institutionalize the strategic alignment process
- In refining the working paper, we will address the following questions:
  - The method and timeline of transition from USAP to the newly proposed subcommittee
  - Developing a coherent rationale for the composition of the newly proposed subcommittee
  - The articulation of the specific goals of the newly created subcommittee, including a discussion of establishing clear timelines for the accomplishment of the various elements of the university’s strategic plan
  - The expansion of the newly proposed subcommittee’s reporting requirements to include more than just URPC and BAS, but also EPC and other relevant committees and groups both within the Senate and beyond (including APSAC and CSSAC)

Next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, November 4 at 1:30pm, room TBD.

Meeting adjourned at 2:37 pm.
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**Meeting 3 — 4 November 2014 — 1:30pm, NF 355**

Present: Susan Anderson, Noor Borbieva, Cigdem Gurgur, Steven Hanke, Peter Iadicola, Jeff Malanson, Deb Poling

Absent: Peter Ng

Meeting called to order at 1:35 pm.

1. BAS continued to debate the merits of the working paper on the strategic alignment process. At our next meeting we will consider at least one resolution related to strategic alignment.
2. An amendment to the Senate bylaws clarifying BAS oversight of the division of Advancement was agreed to unanimously.
3. BAS unanimously agreed to ask the VCAA and VCFAA (or their representatives) to give a presentation to BAS regarding the impact on the university’s budget of the newly established Doctorate of Nursing Practice.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30.