# President's Budget Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2022

<b>Voting Members Present</b>	Area Budget Reps Present:	Staff Present:	<b>Guests Present:</b>

Agnes Wong Nickerson Brittany Santos-Derieg Hala Madanat Jerry Sheehan Bann Attiq Mat Schulze Wil Weston Gregorio Ponce Nola Butler-Byrd Shawki Moore Adrienne Vargas Crystal Little David Fuhriman Amanda Wilson James Frazee Katie Robinson Satish Sharma Nance Lakdawala

# **Voting Members Absent:** Area Budget Reps Absent

Cassie Aaron Hector Ochoa Janie Chang Rashmi Praba

Mary Anne Kremicki

#### I. Call to order

• Call for amendments to agenda – Agnes Wong Nickerson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Agnes asked if there were any amendments to the agenda but there were none.

#### **II.** Information Items

• None

#### III. Action Items

• Approve 1x Funding Requests – Gregorio asked if Agnes could share the UR&P recommendations emailed from Wil. Crystal displayed the memo (see attached). Wil explained UR&P is requesting a scoped-down proposal on the DRI emergency staffing request. The breadth of the ask is too much given other staffing needs and they are asking for 1x funding for ongoing costs. Hala said DRI is currently funded at a very low level. Events management is an immense undertaking and they are relying on their AVPs to do this work. One example is the student symposium which is very time consuming. They only have two administrative assistants for the entire division. Much of the work generates revenue for the university. Nola asked if the student symposium should be given to Student Affairs. Hala

said they do collaborate with Student Affairs but the symposium is a research endeavor. Hala and Agnes are working on the return to the F&A to pay for ongoing costs. Agnes said DRI is doing a lot of great work to advance SDSU to the R1 status and we don't want to assume we know what is best for that division. Gregorio said this is a division of the university, not a college. Mat asked if there is a problem spending more than we have budgeted. Agnes said we have \$8M in reserves and can use some of it. Crystal said we are also anticipating additional revenue over budget in the current year due to conservative planning. Wil said that DRI is an optics situation. Agnes said one of the problems for the colleges is there are funded positions but we are not able to recruit staff. Hala said we would have to push more work onto our faculty. We are asking for a 1x investment. Jerry said the investment in research brings in more money for the university.

Mat is worried about the price tag for mySDSU. Jerry said for mySDSU, we started the implementation before the pandemic and then lost 55 staff so had to rely on consultants. That was why the timeline was elongated. The system benefits are outstanding. We were able to grant \$400M in financial aid that we wouldn't have been able to grant. Gregorio moved to recommend to the president approval of all the funding requests, Mat seconded, and the motion passed with one abstention.

## IV. Reports

No updates

### V. Watch List

- **COVID-19** No update.
- **Deferred Maintenance** No update.

#### VI. New Business

- 2023/24 Budget Planning Timeline Crystal displayed the budget timeline (see attached). Gregorio asked if we could get a copy of the timeline. Crystal said yes, and it will soon be available open budget website.
- Budget Update and Potential New Fee Agnes said the CSU CFOs met yesterday and received a budget update. Our enrollment is down about 7% across the system. Hopefully it won't impact the 5% state compact increase. We probably won't have an increase beyond that. We are planning 2023-24 in a conservative way and won't have much discretionary dollars. Wil is concerned about a lack of 1x funding for book collection. Agnes said some items that are critical will still be funded.

Crystal and Katie gave a presentation on a potential fee (see attached). They are trying to collect feedback. We are looking at the cost of education per FTES which is \$16,000. The state only covers \$8,000 per student up to the target and \$0 for non-resident students. Nola asked about the non-

resident students. Katie responded any student out of state or country. Crystal talked about the potential non-resident fee. It would only affect new students. They would pay an added \$1,000 per year until they obtain their degree for Cohort 1. Cohort 2 would pay \$2,000 per year and Cohort 3 would pay \$3,000 per year. Proposed uses of the fee are financial aid (25%), research and infrastructure (40%), and academic support (35%). Nola asked about the impacts of enrollment. Crystal said we would not be displacing any of our resident students. It could have some impact on nonresident students but we would still be competitive. Nola asked what A.S. thinks about this potential fee. Shawki said we have seen these presentations at our council meetings and he has shared his concerns. He wants to see a greater allocation to financial aid and to make sure none of our resident students are displaced. A good addition to the fee would be to be able to add more diversity to the academic support positions. Wil asked if the universities we are comparing ourselves to are really our peer group. Katie said these are all systemwide rates and don't pertain to individual universities. Brittany said we looked at the market of where students who want to come to SDSU are also are thinking about going or enroll if they don't come to SDSU. Mat asked why we are phasing in the fee. Crystal said we wanted to give students time to plan their finances, and we don't know the impact of the increase on enrollment and the phased approach gives us time to evaluate. Bann asked what the blue line represents on the chart. Katie responded Cohort 3. Nola would like to see a table of how we compare to the other CSU universities and what would be the affect. Agnes said we are doing some modeling to see what works. Bann said inflation should be reflected. Crystal said it would be.

#### VII. Reminder

• Next Meeting Date – Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m. Our next meeting will be December 2, 2022 at 2:00pm. Via Zoom.