

President's Budget Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 29, 2024

| Voting Members Present | Area Budget Reps Present: | Staff Present: | Guests Present: |
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| Agnes Wong Nickerson | Crystal Little | Cyndie Winrow | |
| James Frazee | Mary Anne Kremicki | Nance Lakdawala | |
| Bann Attiq | Leslie Levinson | | |
| Nola Butler-Byrd | Katie Olivo | | |
| Hung Chan | Rashmi Praba | | |
| Brittany Santos-Derieg | Amanda Wilson | | |
| Mat Schulze | David Fuhriman | | |
| Eric Felix | Satish Sharma | | |
| Brian Hentschel | | | |
| Gustaaf Jacobs | | | |

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

Adrienne Vargas
Bill Tong
Hala Madanat
Chris Manning
Tarek Morsy

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

- **Review 1x Funding Requests** – Agnes Wong Nickerson said normally we do an allocation in the spring for items we were not aware of previously. We won't go through individual requests in detail at this meeting, but we have representatives from each division to answer questions. Mat Schulze said he remembered the mySDSU expense from last year and Jerry Sheehan had said there would be no more requests. The Huron consulting services request is major. James Frazee responded we are using Huron's consulting to augment staff. We have had a lot of vacancies and challenging recruitments. We are making an offer to an extremely strong candidate currently which should help. Mat Schulze asked what are the

consequences of not getting the funding. James Frazee said FAFSA rules are changing and that is the greatest impact. Brian Hentschel asked how the funds were used from the previous two PBAC allocations. UR&P had asked that question as well. James Frazee responded there were bug fixes, added functionality, custom development, milestones related to first time admissions, focus on mySDSU being fully operational without consulting help, new processes, and growing the summer program as well. Hung Chan asked how other campuses are dealing with these items. Agnes Wong Nickerson replied these costs apply to all divisions. BFA staff are not ready to independently maintain mySDSU yet. This is the last phase to make this project independent. James Frazee said we are in a different position than the other campuses. This is a completely new system for us. We will be ready to run the system independently by the beginning of 2025. Brittany Santos-Derieg said other campuses are keeping the intent to enroll deadline to June or July. We don't want to push our deadline back too much because we are competing with the UC. Nola Butler-Byrd asked for clarification. Brittany Santos-Derieg responded there is conflict between congress and the dept of education which may delay students from getting their financial aid. The current intent to enroll deadline is May 15, as is the UC. James Frazee said the good news is the FAFSA simplification has allowed more students to be Pell eligible. Hung Chan asked James Frazee what is his best estimate on if they will come back next semester to request more funding. James Frazee responded his best estimate is they will not come back for more money in the fall. It was asked to what extent can we ask the state of CA to assist. Agnes Wong Nickerson said they have a \$73B deficit. We need to plan cautiously. The state is not allowed to carry a deficit. Hung Chan asked how we are able to fund these emergency requests. Agnes Wong Nickerson said we normally set aside some monies for these types of requests because items always come up.

Agnes Wong Nickerson mentioned the next three summary items are under Student Affairs. Nola Butler-Byrd asked where in the past did we get funding for the professional development conference. Crystal Little responded before the pandemic we had held some funds but now they are depleted. Nola Butler-Byrd asked why this is a one-time line item. Agnes Wong Nickerson responded we don't have enough base funding. Mat Schulze asked if the gender-based violence task force is the same as the blue ribbon one. Agnes Wong Nickerson said "yes". There were no questions on the other summary items. UR&P wants more time to discuss these items. Agnes Wong Nickerson said we will vote on these items in our next meeting. We are also reviewing the one-time requests that are really ongoing and should be funded by base funding.

III. Action Item

IV. Watch List

- V. New Business** – Brittany Santos-Derieg talked about state advocacy day last week. They met with legislators. The LAO responded to the governor’s report that we shouldn’t grow the CSU right now. The governor doesn’t agree with the bond for the CSU. We will see what comes out of the May Revise. Agnes Wong Nickerson said we are working on our multi-year budgets and planning for various outcomes.

VI. Reminder

- **Next Meeting Date** – Meeting adjourned at 3:21p.m. Our next meeting will be March 14, 2024, at 2pm.