Minutes – Senate Budget Policies Committee Meeting January 15, 2016 2:00 pm in 1817 Cathedral of Learning

Members in attendance: Tyler Bickford, Beverly Ann Gaddy (chair), Emily Murphy, Wesley Rohrer, David Rowe, Elia Beniash, Mackey Friedman, Cindy Tananis, Timothy Folts (GPSG), John Baker, Phil Wion, Amanda Brodish, Stephen Wisniewski, Arthur Ramicone, Richard Henderson, Frank Wilson (Senate Pres.), Kimberly Barlow (UTimes).

Absent: Adriana Maguiña-Ugarte (SAC), David DeJong, Hiro Good, Stephen L. Carr, Sean Hughes.

- (Minutes taken by B. Gaddy.) (BG: I didn't pass a sign-in sheet and can't recall whether these were present, we can check at the Feb meeting: Nick Reslink (SGB), Jessica Sevcik (CGS), Richard Pratt)
- 1. Matters arising, announcements, proposals for new business None
- 2. Discussion of review of The Planning and Budgeting System (PBS).
 - A. Gaddy opened a discussion about why the PBS is due for review. The previous review had been completed in March 2003, and the document specifies a review every five years.
 - B. Gaddy and F. Wilson discussed communication they each had with D. DeJong earlier in the week regarding the process moving forward. D. DeJong indicated that he would like to see the process completed by the end of the semester. Gaddy indicated that she thought that timeline was ambitious given that members of the University community—administration, staff, faculty and students—needed to be surveyed and included in the discussions. Gaddy added that she would like the process to be as transparent and inclusive as possible.
 - C. The first step is to have a resolution approved by Faculty Assembly in its February session that the process should be initiated. A small ad hoc committee, made up of faculty and members of the Council of Deans, would need to be formed that would make recommendations to a fuller committee. F. Wilson said he envisions that the ad hoc committee would perform preliminary work and set an agenda for broader review by the University community. Gaddy, Wilson and perhaps one other faculty member would be on the ad hoc committee.
 - D. S. Wisniewski responded to a question regarding what may need to be changed in the document.
 - E. J. Baker added that another problem is that the administration is secretive about its budget, despite the fact that the document calls for openness. Another problem is that PBS is not meeting in many of the units, especially in the smaller ones.
 - F. After some more discussion among the committee, J. Baker made the motion to recommend to the Faculty Senate that the PBS document go through a reviewing process. Motion seconded by T. Bickford. It carried unanimously.
- 3. In the December meeting Gaddy had made a request to D. DeJong for a repeat presentation of

the last report on faculty salaries by gender, for the benefit of BPC members who were not on the committee when the most recent report was presented. This was the FY11 report, which had initially been presented to BPC in April 2013. A. Brodish presented the report. There was some discussion about the findings among the committee.

Gaddy indicated that having the report presented only every five years was probably inadequate. She suggested that the regular annual report on faculty salary might be able to be broken down by gender so that the committee could have this data presented annually.

4. In Executive session (closed): Amanda Brodish answered a question that had been asked by a committee member in closed session at the previous (December) meeting.

Adjourned by 3:30 pm.