CAS Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes- February 16, 2015


The CAS Senate Secretary was not present to record this meeting or take minutes. These minutes were prepared using notes kindly taken and provided by Senator Jennifer Nauen.

The meeting was called to order by President Fox at 4:00 PM.

1. Approval of the agenda The agenda was approved.

2. Approval of minutes from the December meeting

The minutes from the December 2014 meeting were approved.

3. President's Remarks (Alan Fox)

Alan Fox announced that John Morgan had broken his ankle and wouldn’t be able to deliver his report. We all wished him the best and a rapid recovery. It was emphasized that John’s diligence extended to making sure that all of his commitments were met and that his absence from today’s meeting would not cause a problem. It was also announced that Deni Galileo, secretary, was absent because of a broken heater, and all sympathized.

4. Dean's Comments (George Watson)

Dean Watson continued his series on sharing budget information with the Senate. His goal was to gauge the Senate’s level of interest in the details in order to determine the appropriate amount of information to discuss. He will continue to share information with the Chairs first, at the Chairs’ Meeting. Dean Watson would like to try this mode of information sharing for the rest of the semester and then re-address the question of forming a Senate budget committee.

Dean Watson noted that the Provost had initiated a committee to look at RBB. The Provost made a few changes to RBB based on the Committee’s recommendations, but most of the Committee’s recommendations cannot be realized at this time.

Some of the changes benefit CAS. For example, the proportion of funds allocated to the research incentive is now capped. Funds above the cap in this category will be reallocated. In addition, the algorithm 1 (of RBB) revenue projection is up about 8 million dollars because of a greater than expected return % of out of state students for the spring 2015 semester. The reserve balance for the College is now forecasted to be 9.6 million dollars.
For the next budget year there will be substantial changes initiated in RBB due largely to the Provost’s efforts. Three changes of note are: 1) changes in the funds awarded to units for administrating grants that funneled money to other institutions, 2) changes in space charges, and 3) subventions reallocated away from Colleges that are highly subvented. As a result of these and other changes, CAS budget increased by about 1 million dollars. However, there is still a deficit projected for CAS for the next calendar year. There is also a great deal of uncertainty for fiscal year 2017 due to the collective bargaining agreement process that will take place in spring 2016 and retirements. This uncertainty will affect the possibility of faculty searches.

The current target of freshman students for fall 2015 is 3800 (the traditional number). College expenses continue to increase (primarily due to salaries).

In March Dean Watson will discuss the process of the budget. He also will give the 4 slides he showed on 2/16 to the Secretary of the CAS Senate for distribution to the Senators (attached at end of minutes).

5. Committee Reports

   A. Bylaws Committee report – Phil Mink, President-elect (chair, Ad Hoc Bylaws revisioncommittee) [click here]

President-Elect Mink reported on the work of the Bylaws Committee. He noted a few suggestions by the Committee, including that the Dean will be considered a member of the CAS Senate, and that the name of the Steering Committee will be changed to the Executive Committee based on the Committee’s goal to be more involved in College planning (not just the meeting agenda).

   B. COCAN report on upcoming elections – John Morgan, COCAN chair

President Fox discussed the COCAN report because of Prof. Morgan’s absence. In the next couple of months the goal will be to fill vacancies on current CAS Committees, fill vacancies for at-large senators, and prepare for elections of CAS Faculty Senate Officers for next year. NOTE: FACULTY CAN SERVE ON A COMMITTEE WITHOUT BEING A SENATOR. Volunteers are needed.

6. Old Business

   A. Standing College Senate Budget Committee Proposal

7. Introduction of New Business

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM.
College Senate Meeting
Budget update from the Dean

16 February 2015
FY15 RBB Model Changes & Budget Impact

• Revenue distribution through Alg 1c (Research) is capped
• University’s 2nd Quarter Alg 1 revenue projection is up $8.2M
  – Results in a $4.5M increase to CAS Alg 1 revenue
• CAS RBB balance for FY15 goes from $1.8M unfavorable in October to $2.3M favorable today
FY16 RBB Model Changes & Budget Impact

• Remove subcontracts from the Alg 1c & 7 calculations

• Space Allocation Changes
  – Space expense for central departments moves from Alg 12 to Alg 7, 9 & 10
  – Lab Space is no longer up-factored

• Provost increases CAS subvention by $1.0M

• Continued decrease in CAS percent of Alg 1 total revenue

• FY16 CAS RBB Balance expected to be a deficit of $4.3M
Looking Ahead: FY17 Budget Challenges

• RBB Model review continues
• (Un)expected increase in CAS percent of total ICOR?
• CBA increase percent unknown
• Tuition increase to be determined
# CAS Operating Revenue & Expense

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