University Planning and Budget Committee

Minutes of the Meeting May 5th, 2020 via Webex

Members Present: J. Melnyk, S. Cohen, J. Hodgson, S. Petras, P. LeMaire, K. Poirier, M. Fallon, C. Casamento, E. Pana, S. Hazan, M. McCarthy, N. Al-Masoud, L. Washko, J. Gamache, F. He, D. Dauwalder

Chair J. Melnyk called the meeting to order.

Minutes: A motion made by M. McCarthy and seconded by S. Cohen to approve the minutes from April 7th was approved. A motion made by M. McCarthy and seconded by N. Al-Masoud to approve the minutes from April 21st was approved.

Announcements: The chair J. Melnyk reported that the committee's recommendations for the Strategic Plan activities were sent to Y. Kirby. He also stated that he had sent the committee's annual report to the Faculty Senate, where questions were raised about the next steps.

The Strategic Plan Steering Committee will meet on Wednesday. The list of recommended activities was sent to each Working Group so that they could say what recommendations matched their planned activities. The reports from the eight Working Groups are due on May 8th.

Chair J. Melnyk reminded everyone to check their email as he had sent out tentative meeting dates for the summer if meetings became necessary.

There were no updates from either an IPC meeting or a Facilities Planning meeting as neither group had met.

Division updates:

From the CFO:

- a. CCSU received ~ \$9 million as part of the C.A.R.E.S. Act. 50% or about \$4.5M is for direct automatic emergency to students that are Title IV Eligible. As of today, the University has issued approximately \$3.2 million or ~70% of the funding students. The University set aside the funding for students that were not Title IV eligible, as well as \$500,000 to facilitate emergency grants for students with extreme need.
- b. The University issued \$6.2 million in room and board refunds, as a result of students not returning to campus after spring break..
- c. She hopes to have more information about the budget for FY 21 for the next meeting.
- d. A question was raised if there might be any money related changes due to the consolidation of the community colleges. For example, is there any area of risk associated with the shared BOR money. At this point that is unknown.

From the Provost:

Working groups are looking at classrooms and class capacity in relation to social distancing with the goal of creating flexible solutions and how they might be implemented for the Fall semester. They are also considering potential effects if there is a second recurrence of the COVID-19.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is on May 19th, if necessary. Chair J. Melnyk will send out the Webex invitation.

Submitted, J Hodgson, Recording Secretary