

Budget Planning Council Meeting Agenda
April 3, 2009
10:00 am – 12:00 Noon
Baker Center 235

In Attendance: Bill Decatur, Jeff Fulk, Kathy Krendl, Dennis Irwin, Michael Adeyanju, Kent Smith, Ann Tickamy, Betty Sindelar, Brenda Noftz

Absent: Joe McLaughlin, Chuck McWeeney, Hugh Sherman, Peter Wickman, Sergio Lopez, David Thomas

Staff: John Day, Katie Quaranta, Marjorie Mora, Dawn Weiser, John Demmler, Craig Cornell, Becky Watts, Rebecca Vazquez-Skillings

Guests: Steve Flaherty

- I. Update Regarding FY 2010 Planning Unit Reductions
 - a. The Exemption document shared with BPC should be familiar as it has been used by BPC in past years – it is broken down based on the control totals for unit funding
 - b. General Program and General Fee budget reductions
 - The exemption columns shown are standard from prior years with the addition of Vision Ohio items to arrive at 'Budget Subject to Reduction'
 - Reduction targets for support units avg 5.1% and for academic units avg 3.2% - these %s for support units are misleading because of central pool items – more actual rates are 9-10% for those units.
 - No group 1 faculty were included in the reduction scenarios
 - The Presidential Exemption column restores \$850K in funding based on a review by President, EVPP, and SVP – restored minimal budget reductions if program was going to be chronically hurt by the cuts
 - ICAs budget reduction target was increased by \$400K from \$600K -> \$2.3M deficit budget is reduced to \$1.3M deficit and the work isn't done yet – President is demanding a reality based balanced budget – this schedule does not accurately reflect the impact on ICA budget – this is not a funding cut but a reduction of their spending trend to force them into budget
 - Total budget reduction is \$15M, after Presidential exemptions is \$13.6M (document reflects \$14.2M in error – it should not include ICA expenditure reductions). Athens campus general fund shortfall is projected at \$12.572M.
- II. Discussion of FY2010 Budget Model

- a. Will prepare a schedule to reflect the breakout between general fee and general program for a future meeting
- b. Nursing program revenues and base needs have been refined on page 2 as a new base item
- c. Placeholders have been added for newly prioritized Vision Ohio initiatives but there are no dollars attached
- d. The items on page 2 which BPC has discussed before and have been included in the model previously remain - health benefits savings/costs, overhead recovery increases, university efficiency initiatives
- e. Line items, with no cost figures, have also been added to cover costs of the ERIP and RIF from the balance of \$15M not needed to close budget gap – costs of separation such as vacation and sick accruals, ERIP incentives and OPERS payments

III. Other discussions

ERIP and layoffs:

- a. ERIP elections by the April 1 deadline was higher than expected – 50+ elections
- b. Matching of ERIP'd positions to proposed layoffs is occurring but the information is fresh and those activities are ongoing

Budget environment:

- a. State revenues continue to lag revised budget and it could still signal another budget cut yet this year or an impact to next year's budget
- b. Expect to hear on the next biennium budget by the end of this month
- c. Still very tenuous budget and we are referring to our current model as 'The Governor's Budget'
- d. Deans and VPs will continue to discuss contingencies – the prior exercise with cuts for \$20M, \$30M and \$40M will provide some basis for that
- e. Continuing efforts for shared services are moving forward also - communications and marketing, OIT, procurement

IV. **Next Scheduled Meeting:** April 17, 2009, 10 – noon, Baker 235