Dec 10, 2014

Present: B. Berrett, A. Levi, R. Maldonado (Chair), D. Nef, P. Newell, J. Parks, R. Sanchez, J. Schmidtke

Excused:

Absent: A. Quinteros

Guests: Provost L. Zelezny

Called to order 3:30 pm Thomas Administration Room 117

1. Agenda

MSC the approval of the agenda of 10 Dec 2014.

1. Minutes

MSC the minutes for 3 Dec, 2014

1. Communications and Announcements  
     
   None
2. Discussion with the Provost.

Provost Lynette Zelezny indicated a two-fold concern from the beginning of her tenure as Provost: 1) to be an advocate for the faculty and 2) have an eye on the budget. Recommending to the president a new model featuring the Vice Provost position was a consequence of those concerns. Also, coming from extended education, and being familiar with those budgets, the revenue model for CGE self-support was changed from 60-40 to 75-25. The provost also acknowledged the need to continue the work on the new level B model.

The initial conversation focused on two elements:

1. Doctoral programs. President has asked: where are we going in doctoral programs? While most of our focus is on undergraduate, we need to find way to incentivize programs (especially those where there is a community need). The Provost requested a recommendation from the UBC on funding the doctoral programs. This has been complicated by the presence now of three doctoral programs.
2. Impaction (The Provost estimated we have a 50-50 chance to being to explore this). There are issues around demand and funding: a) over target penalty; b) our status as an access university. The Provost has asked A. Sanchez to look at the students that we lose coming as freshmen (16%). For example, would they have been better served by going to community college?

P. Newell asked regarding: 1) timeline of the conversation with CO and when we might hear something; 2) plans for open forums; and 3) is impaction all or nothing. The Provost reviewed the process as of this point. She went to the cabinet to recommend pursuing the proposal to begin the conversation. That proposal is due Dec. 19. We expect to hear near the first of the year. If yes, then it will be two years before anything could be implemented. The turnaround is quick. The final proposal has to be in in late March. If successful, Fall 2016 would be the earliest implementation. We do not yet know about all or nothing.

Discussed enrollment limits and demand pressures.

The discussion then ranged from a review of the $3,000,000 in new money, through advising issues, including professional advisors, interational students and study abroad, and salary increases (CBA and president’s hold-back of $1,000,000, but no firm calendar)

J. Schmidtke raised a question on program removal. Provost Zelezney affirmed these will not be driven by the Provost, but at the colleges. Related is the need for incentives in the model not to have the savings taken away. We as UBC could start this conversation. While not immediately pressing, the Provost requested a recommendation from the UBC to think about recalibration.

After the Provost left, the committee resumed discussion of the distribution of doctoral dollars.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55pm.

Agenda 4 Feb 2015

1. Approval of agenda.

2. Approval of minutes of 10 Dec 2014.

3. Communications and Announcements.

4. New Business

5. Continuation of the Budget Model discussion (C1 premium)