

BUDGET & PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes

September 19, 2006

Present: J. Blake, G. Appleby, J. Bloch, P. Boppert, P. Brucker, L. Brule, J. Dolan,
R. Gingrich, J. Granfield, P. Madonia, B. Mallick, M. Rock, and S. Williams

Absent: E. Anderson, R. Herron, M. Lawler D. Pearson, P.J. Rossitto and R. Sheeley

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM.

2. Welcome/Introductions

3. Review of 2006 and 2007 Spending Plan

The 2007 Spending Plan materials that were presented to the Board of Trustees at the June 9, 2006 budget hearing were shared with the committee. The following points were discussed.

J. Blake highlighted the opportunities available with the discretionary budget in FY2006, where there was \$700,000 distributed for program priorities and again in FY2007 an additional \$500,000. The funding for program priorities was tied to Southern's core values. Additionally, 12 new positions funded in FY2007 which were also linked to Southern's core values.

The presentation materials also provided a reconciliation of the original FY2006 Spending Plan with the projected 6/30/06 year end budget. Variances on both the revenue and expenditure sides of the budget were minor in nature. The materials also showed the difference between the FY2006 budget and the proposed FY2007 budgets. Revenues were reported to increase in FY2007 by \$11.2 million and expenditures \$10.8 million. The revenue increase was attributable to an increase in the General Fund block grant of \$5.7 million and student fee increases of \$5.5 million. The expenditure increases were in personnel costs and inflationary increase due to energy.

Currently the FY2007 budget is on track with expectations. We will take first assessment once the fall enrollment numbers are finalized.

4. Update on Capital Budget

J. Blake indicated that the Bond Commission meeting for September had been cancelled. Additionally, CSU has not made the agenda for any of the special bond commission meetings recently held. There are some critical projects awaiting funding:

- Renovation of the former Student Center for the School of Business
- Mechanical and electrical systems for Jennings and Earl Halls
- Environmental Impact Study
- Windows, doors, and exterior bricks for Lyman Auditorium

5. Other

The committee had a general discussion on fund raising and marketing and how the success for both is tied to having an up to date information system. M. Rock highlighted the need for an improved data base for alumni and friends of the University.

The committee also discussed the Budget and Planning Committee's role and purpose. Members felt it was important to have a more active role in influencing budget decisions that occur at the University. S. Williams indicated that the committee should be able to provide recommendations or input on budget development

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted

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Executive Vice President