

Budget and Planning Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 27, 2011
Inlow Hall 201

Present: Ken Watson, John Knudson-Martin, Doug Kaigler, Tracy Hayes, Katrina Gaines, Ben Stauffer, Shari Carpenter, Pres. Bob Davies, Steve Adkison, Travis Paulson, Darlene Morgan and Teresa Carson-Mastrude

1) Ken Watson called the meeting to order at 12:00pm

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion: Doug Kaigler moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.

Second: Tracy Hayes

Action: Motion passed

3) BY-LAWS

Ken Watson reported to the group the change to the Budget & Planning By-Laws have been approved by University Council and are posted to their website.

4) UPDATE FROM PRESIDENT DAVIES

President Davies acknowledged the support that he has received from all areas of campus and noted that everyone is nervous. President Davies will present the Draft Plan to campus on May 2 in Huber Auditorium. Davies reported that he and Provost Adkison had been meeting with campus groups and the general feeling re: the plan is to “do it once and do it right”. It was reported by President Davies that there some positions will be eliminated. They will be notified prior to Monday’s Campus Forum. Beginning on May 11, there will be a series of meetings with groups for feedback. President Davies and Provost Adkison noted that this will be a time for him to explain decisions that have been made about programs, program reductions and cuts to departments. Their will be “flattening” in departments. It was noted that this is a “draft plan” and not the final plan but EOU needs to position itself for the future. OUS campuses receive less money from the state every year and we cannot rely on them for funding. EOU needs to live within its means. EOU is currently looking at cutting approx. \$3.2 million from its budget and this plan will guide EOU for the next two biennium

The group discussed the need for clear communication between administration and faculty/staff and they feel at this time President Davies is on the right track.

President Davies will meet with the group within the next two weeks to get feedback and he also noted that he will be working with Dennis Hopwood regarding the transition of employees whose positions are being cut.

The meeting was adjourned at 1: 25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Carson-Mastrude