

Budget Council Meeting
Minutes
April 26, 2013
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
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Attendance:

Sue Alvers, Matt Fajack, Brian Harfe, Marc Heft, Alex Berkovich , Florin Curta, Paul Mueller, and Laura Sjoberg

Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. Minutes from February 2013 were approved.

Budget Update – Matt Fajack

- Matt Fajack stated that things are still tentative with the legislature, but it looks like the university should come out alright this year.
- UF will get the 36M back that the legislature took from the university last year.
- State employees will most likely get about \$1000 raise and \$600 merit bonus.
- UF might get 10M for online distance learning with 5M recurring for three years.
- To help toward UF becoming one of the top 10 universities, the legislature most likely will fund 15M to go towards that effort.
- It doesn't look like we will get approval to bond Newell Hall and the Reitz Union expansion.

Update on paying foreign visitors – Marc Heft

- This is a work in progress. Marc and Brian met with Paula Fussell in Human Resources to try to expedite paying foreign visitors. Currently many faculty end up giving foreign faculty or foreign guests funding out of their personal funds because the system of payment takes so long. Human Resources has outlined a plan and included key players to try and fix this problem.
- One problem is that many of the unit staff do not know the correct process. Human Resources will start presenting information sessions

Election of new Chair

- Florin Curta was elected as Chair of the Budget Council for 2013-2014.

The council adjourned at 2:54 p.m.