

Budget Council Agenda  
Sept 8, 2017  
Tigert 202  
1:30 – 3:00 PM

1. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting.
2. Elect New Chair
3. Decide dates for future meetings
4. Discussion – Suggestions for topics for the upcoming year.

**Budget Council Meeting (DRAFT)**  
**Minutes**  
**April 21, 2017**  
**3:30-5:00 pm**  
**Tigert 229**

Attendance: Meera Sitharam, Renee Goodrich, Sue Alvers, Julie Wang, Frances Fiorello, and George Kolb.

Meera Sitharam opened the meeting at 3:40 p.m. The reason for this meeting is to review and give feedback to Dr. Sitharam on the [Financial Transparency tutorial video](#). This tutorial will be posted on the Budget Council website.

Greg Dubois will present as part of the Budget Council Report to at Steering Committee meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup>. He will then present at Faculty Senate on May 11, 2017.

With only two voting members of the council in attendance, it was decided to elect a chair in the fall.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm.

April 20, 2017

Budget Council Activity report, 08/26/16-04/20/17

Three years ago, the Budget Council with the support of UF administration and the Office of the Chief Financial Officer initiated developing the Financial Transparency Portal. The Portal consists of three parts: a Dynamic Allocation and Expenditure Portal; a Revenue Snapshot Portal; and a Financial Transparency Portal Guide. Last calendar year, the Dynamic Allocation and Expenditure Portal was completed and made available via a link on the Budget Council. During this academic year, 2016/17, the Budget Council with the Office of the Chief Financial Officer developed the Revenue Snapshot Portal and plan to make it available to UF faculty in May via a link on the Budget Council webpage. Additionally, the Financial Transparency Portal Guide is scheduled for completion in May and made available to UF faculty via a link on the Budget Council webpage. The main purpose of the Financial Transparency Portal and its three parts is to make the UF budget process transparent.

Beginning Fall semester of this academic year, the Chair of the Budget Council represented the UF Faculty Senate as a member of the UF Budget Review Task Force Committee. The Committee's tasks were to review and make recommendations concerning double majors, student waivers, facility taxes, and auxiliary taxes. To do so, the Full Task Force divided into three subcommittees; the Auxiliary Tax Subcommittee; the Facility Tax Subcommittee; and the Student Waiver and Double Major Subcommittee. The Full Task Force meet in February and recommendations of the subcommittees were discussed and finalized. These recommendations went forward to the Senior Vice Presidents.

Throughout the 2016-2017 academic year, the Budget Council invited several people to lead discussion on budget issues including Professor and Provost Joe Glover, Melissa Stuckey and Aimee Quick from the UF Athletic Association, and Professor and Dean Elaine Turner of CALS.

Report by James Seale, Chair, UF Budget Council