

Senate Budget & Planning Council
Minutes for January 30, 2014
Paterson Room, Cheng Library

Members present: D. Miller, J. Matthew, H. Wilder, D. Potacco, R. Soto, J. Lee, R. Fosberg, S. Bolyai (administrative rep)

Absent: B. McClosky

Guests: P. Winslow, S. Dinan

Meeting convened: 1:25pm

1. Minutes from Dec. 12, 2013 meeting approved
2. The budget information session which was held just prior to the meeting was discussed and feedback was given to be used for next year's session. J. Lee suggested that in addition to the meeting in the spring which presented actual budget data (assumptions, restrictions, etc., once they are known to the Budget office), that we also contact the Chairs' Council about giving a presentation in the fall (maybe at their first meeting), which would give a general overview of how the process will work once the data is available. This would help alleviate some of the deadline anxiety and give academic chairs and program directors more time to begin planning and hold discussions with their departments. D. Potacco recommended that council members collect feedback from their respective colleges on how the information session went and ideas and suggestions for improving it. Please direct colleagues in your colleges to the Budget development web pages <http://www.wpunj.edu/budget/assets/budget-development/fy15-development/FY15-budget-development.dot> - there is a lot of good information here.
3. H. Wilder asked if anyone was available to represent the Budget & Planning Council at the Faculty Senate council chairs' luncheon. J. Lee said she would be there in any event if no one else could make it.
4. S. Dinan read the new charges for the council from the Faculty Senate:
 - Review of Online and Hybrid course fees: S. Bolyai has recently reported on this to the Faculty Senate and will have a follow-up discussion with the one Faculty Senator who has further questions
 - Review the fees for the new parking: S. Bolyai reported that the fees will be published as soon as they are approved by the Board of Trustees. There will most likely be an annual fee for commuter and residence students (the latter will be charged a little more since it is assumed their cars will be parked in the garage more). Faculty members can also purchase the annual package. There will also be a way for people to pay for 6, 12, and 24- hour parking. These fees apply only to the garage parking – outdoor parking will remain free of charge.

Meeting adjourned: 2:00pm

H. Wilder, Minute taker