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Brock University Senate

MINUTES OF MEETING #2 (2010-11)

SENATE BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2010, 9:30 AM

13TH FLOOR BOARD ROOM, SCHMON TOWER

PRESENT: Professor David Vivian (Chair), Professor Maureen Connolly, Professor Christine Daigle, Professor Sandra Felton, Dr. Greg Finn, Dr. Murray Knuttila, Professor John Lye, Professor Felice Martinello, Mr. Luke Speers, Professor Susan Sydor, Professor Barry Wright, Professor Paul Zelisko

Mr. Steven Pillar, Ms. Margaret Thompson (Administrative Support)

REGRETS: Professor Tansu Barker, Dean Thomas Dunk, Dean Philip Kitchen, Mr. Denis Ursov

1. Approval of Previous Minutes

[The minutes of Meeting #1 (2010-11) held on October 5, 2010 had been distributed with the meeting materials.]

MOVED (Zelisko/Speers)

THAT the minutes of Meeting #1 (2010-11) held on October 5, 2010 be approved.

CARRIED

2. Business Arising from the Minutes

2.1 Election of Committee Vice-Chair

The Chair called for nominations from the floor. Professor Zelisko, seconded by Professor Lye nominated Professor Daigle, who agreed to let her name stand. There were no further nominations.

MOVED (Zelisko/Lye)

THAT Professor Christine Daigle be elected as Vice-Chair of the Budget Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

3. Draft Brock University Strategic Plan

[The draft Brock University Strategic Plan dated September 23, 2010 had been distributed to members with the meeting materials.]

The draft Brock University Strategic Plan dated September 23, 2010 was reviewed by members through the lens of the Budget Advisory Committee and comments were provided to the Provost and Vice-President, Academic. Written feedback forwarded to Professor Vivian from Professor Barker was shared during the discussion. Dr. Knuttila provided an oral update on the revisions currently being made to the draft Strategic Plan.

Highlights of the discussion included reference to the draft Strategic Plan and the assumption of participation of the collegium and the challenge to grasp the Strategic Plan ethically and intellectually, the probability of cultural shifts, the instrumental relationship between resource assignments and distributions and academic missions, the assertion of an incremental process, concern for diminished resources at the foundation of our activities, the relationship between strategic planning and budget development processes.

4. 2010-11 Budget Process and Timelines

The Vice-President, Finance and Administration provided an update regarding the 2010-11 Budget planning process, associated timelines and the role of the Strategic Plan in the development of the budget. A discussion ensued regarding the role of the Senate Budget Advisory Committee during which it was noted that there is a need for the timely exchange of information.

5. Other Business – None

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.