

University Budget Committee
Minutes of the Thursday, October 29 Meeting

I. Time, Location and Attendance

- 2:00PM, Brookside Room at the Administrative Center
- UBC regular members present: Wayne Vaught (Interim Chair), Provost Barbara Bichelmeyer (joined by phone), Mark Johnson (recording secretary for Tony Luppino), Russell Melchert, Susan Sykes-Berry, Mel Tyler, Larry Bunce, Theodore White, Peter Witte (new At-Large member). Absent: Kevin Sansberry, Peggy Ward-Smith, Curt Crespino and Anthony Luppino.
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maximum amount requested within a proposal and how many proposals can be funded. Provost Bichelmeyer responded that she wasn't sure, but stated that "no idea is too big or too small". Sharon Lindenbaum noted in regards to last year's Strategic Funding Proposals, some were very small and others quite large. Considerable discussion was held about the size and number. Provost Bichelmeyer noted that Item 6 [UMKC Request for Strategic Funding document (attachment F)]: "Describe any cross-unit collaboration, interdisciplinary partnerships, or cross-institutional relationships that will be established with this initiative." is the biggest key in evaluating proposals; in addition to high impact ideas and proposals with a high potential return on investment (ROI) (Item 9, attachment F). It is important that proposals also demonstrate a high likelihood of achieving their stated goals. Overall she stated that it is still good to collect all ideas. She suggested that perhaps there be a limit of 3-5 proposals per unit allowing for cross unit collaborations.

- There was a general consensus of support for limiting number of proposal vetted at Dean/Director level.
- Deans Melchert and White both expressed their appreciation and strong support for this program and the positive impact this could have across campus.
- Provost Bichelmeyer summarized the suggestions she would incorporate
 - Limit on the number of proposals, cross unit collaborations excepted
 - Small proposals welcome, themes
 - Check-off by Deans
 - Letters of support as evidence of cross-unit collaboration and evidence of achievable.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:30PM

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