

University Budget & Appropriations Committee Meeting

Minutes of the November 19, 2008 Meeting

Location: PAC Office (Room 213) - Boca Raton Campus Student Union

Called to Order: 7:31 PM

Roll Call (Ed Fulton)

Present: Abe Cohen, Ed Fulton, Sarah Lanciault, Manesh Gopaldas, Sean Johanessen, Kristen O'Brien, Alex Lange, Carrie Gates, Christopher Ayala, Rivka Felsher, Jose Lezama. **Guests:** Terry Mena, James Tobin, Kevin Tipton.

Absent: Miche Jean, Christopher Suastegui, Melinda Baugh, Ryan Grubich.

Charge of the Committee (Abe Cohen)

- Benefits of role – real world experience
- Have fun, but these are serious decisions, hard choices to make
- Don't be biased, do research
- Ask Ed Fulton, Jose Lezama, Rivka Felsher, and other SG Advisors questions
- Let's do this correctly, benefit University, and mainly the student body
- Thank you for your commitment

Campus Life Priorities (Abe Cohen)

- 3% increase is caused by institutional policy on an annual basis.
 - Facility costs – water, electric, cleaning, etc.
 - Media Increases
 - Looking to get OWL Radio on AM and FM
 - UP looking to hire more reporters, expand to become self-sustaining, also need some new equipment
 - Director of Student Media position desperately needed for help and exposure, possible tie-in to academics
- GSA
 - Error – 2008-2009 really allocated \$112,750, not \$250,000
 - SA moving to support GSA even more
- Director of Student Government – same, but adding computer replacement reserve
- Homecoming – small increase, critical
- WOW
 - \$10,000 brings them to 07-08 level
 - Involvement by students and parents greater
- Weekend Programming
 - \$100,000 draft for 09-10
 - \$0 funded last year
 - High priority because there needs to be more to do on campus on weekends
- Campus-based Program Boards

- Will be supported in higher amounts
- UBAC can decide to pull off the top or let CBCs decide
- It is a higher priority
- Discussion arose around this change's impact to CBCs opportunities and role in funding allocation decisions

Chairship to Ed Fulton

- Motion by O'Brien, seconded by Lange
- Abe Cohen left at 8:00 PM

2009-2010 Budget Overview (Jose Lezama)

- Student Affairs has given you a model
 - SA priorities are expenses we need to incur
- Projected revenues and expenses – flat enrollment – very conservative projection
 - Expenses as of 11/17/08 and draft budget by priority
 - Incorporates Student Affairs model
 - Increase column shows projected changes
 - Most increases – GSA, Weekend Project, Student Media
 - jlezama@fau.edu , x7-6775, UN Room 221, for questions
 - There were no questions from the committee
- Brief look at Boca
 - Just a projected model
 - Account managers still need to submit requests
- For UBAC, Account Managers submit to Jose Lezama and he creates report of requests.

Overview of Budget Timeline (Jose Lezama)

- Good opportunity – we are ahead of last year
- Chapter 200 statutes need to be revised – too early, too tight, need more realistic dates

Scheduling of Next Meeting (Ed Fulton)

- Need to see class schedules
- Monday – Thursday nights realistically
- We will alternate between Boca and Jupiter

Motion to Adjourn at 8:30 pm

- Motion by Lange, seconded by Lanciault