

COMMITTEE: University Budget Committee

MEETING DATE: 3-28-13

PERSON PRESIDING: John Given

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Jeff Popke, Maureen Ellis,
Robert Kulesher, Alexandra Shlapentokh

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Joe Gaddis, Anne Jenkins, Rick
Niswander, Tony Overton, Rachel Roper, Gary Vanderpool, Wanda Wynne

GUEST: ECU Chancellor Steve Ballard

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Discussion of the University budgetary situation

Action Taken: Chancellor Ballard and Vice Chancellor Niswander discussed budgetary challenges facing the University: budgetary uncertainty stemming from the new leadership in Raleigh, the necessity to reduce the cost of instruction per FTE, potential calls coming from the legislature and the GA to reduce the number of small classes and the number of small programs.

The committee and the Chancellor also considered potential ways to address these challenges: increased use of technology, as in DE classes and flipped classrooms, better utilization of big classrooms, giving departments incentives to come up with cost saving measures, commercialization of the University products, etc.

The Chancellor also suggested that the Committee acted as an intermediary between the administration and the Faculty Senate in advocating to the faculty adoption of a global institutional perspective along the more natural local or parochial one (as in concerns about one's department).

NEXT MEETING: April 18, 4-5 pm, RA 142

Respectfully Submitted by Alexandra Shlapentokh

UBC Summary of “Our Time, Our Future”

Five Strategic Goals

1. Set degree attainment goals response to state needs
2. Strengthen academic quality
3. Serving the people of North Carolina
4. Maximize efficiencies
5. Ensure an accessible and financially stable University

Costs

Cumulative Expansion Budget Investments:

FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
\$73.5M	141.0	193.7	234.8	267.2

Expected Cumulative Savings:

(25.8)	(45.8)	(57.2)	(64.0)	(66.9)
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Most Significant Proposals

- Summer bridge programs and increased summer school offerings
- New performance funding model
- Incentivize creation of new courses online to be taken outside normal semester timeline (primarily for military students)
- Increase in e-learning to foster “personalized learning”
- Reduce average number of hours to degree attainment (predicted to save \$58M)
- Eliminate DE surcharge
- Support “game-changing” research in six focus areas: advanced manufacturing, data sciences, defense, military and security; energy; marine and coastal sciences; and pharmacoengineering
- Improve healthcare situation. Specifically mentions ECU SoDM and the Doctorate in Nursing Practice.
- Centralize some university functions (e.g., residency determination, internal audit, purchasing)
- Active management of university’s portfolio of programs, courses and campus missions, including system-wide SLOs for gen-ed courses to make them more easily transferred.
- Continue and strengthen UNC FIT.
- Carry-forward reform.
- Revise the tuition and fee guidelines, to reduce the 6.5% cap on campus-based tuition and fees
- Enhance private fundraising, and centralize some functions