**Student Budget Advisory Council – Meeting Notes**  
**October 1, 2018, 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm**  
**3622 Valley Library, Willamette Room East**

**Attendance:** Austin Carsh, Kennedy Hedges, Lana Klipfel, Sherm Bloomer and Nicole Real

**Absent:** Brenda Ledezma, Nathan Getty, Clint Mattox

**UNIVERSITY BUDGET PRIMER:**

Handout: Oregon State University Budget Primer

Discussed the overall budget categories of Education & General (E&G) funds, Self-Support and Restricted Funds.

**Education & General** funds are comprised of the following:

- 60% Tuition
- 20% State
- 20% Federal / Other

Tuition is primary support of the E&G fund, and is driven by the expenses within the E&G funds. The largest expenditure within the campus is personnel costs. 75% of our costs are attributed to personnel costs. While we have control over salary decisions, we have no control over benefit decisions since those are made at the State level and passed down.

**Current OSU inflation = 4.2%**

Because of the large personnel costs, University inflation rates tend to run higher than a standard CPI inflation rate which uses a “market basket of goods and services” model to determine inflation. There will always be inflationary costs drivers even if we make no changes within this fund.

**Current OSU Growth = 0.8%**

ECampus is our primary growth driver, although this rate of growth is slowing as more universities enter the market. Cascade and Portland markets are also growing.

**New Things / Initiatives = $12M**

Capital renewal funding set aside each year at $5M/year (currently $10M in FY19); funding for major renovations such as Cordley (new) and Bexell (just completed); funding is used to pay debt service.

**Self-Support** funds are fee funded operations such as UHDS, Athletics, Student Centers, Student Health Services, Parking, Printing and Mailing, Motor Pool, etc.

These units also pay back debt service borrowed towards capital projects such as Upper Grad Housing project. Athletics capital projects are primarily funded through gifts.

**Restricted** funds have legal restrictions around the use of funds. Examples include grants and contracts (research dollars), financial aid, Pell Grants, scholarships, etc.
TUITION AND FEES:

Handout: Tuition and Fee Process

Discussed the overall process of tuition and fee setting at OSU. Board has established an expectation that “annual tuition rate increases will be between 2 and 5 percent”. Budget office uses the “Tuition Scenario Table” on the back of the handout for the start of tuition discussions on the Corvallis campus. Uses 3 scenarios with tuition proposals and issues. *Examples in the handout are not the FY19 scenarios, these are just examples for discussion of the concept.

REQUESTS FOR FUTURE SBAC MEETINGS

- Update from Student Health Services and CAPS
- Update on the Physical Activity Courses (PAC) change that occurred Spring 2018
- Update on Administrative Study
  - 2 part review
    - ABC Insights Review is currently underway, compares units internally and can compare to other Universities externally.
    - Provost requested review of expenses at University. Where are we spending our dollars? Look to see where we are growing in expenses and where do we need to add more funding? This last question is more challenging as the question of “what’s appropriate” needs to be answered.
- Discussion around “What does it cost to deliver a degree?”

NEXT MEETING – October 15, 2018

Review financial projections and upcoming issues/challenges