

Agenda

1. Update on tuition and fee actions at the Board of Trustees meeting on April 3
2. Overview of current budget issues and planning
3. Open discussion—questions, issues, things to take up for the balance of spring term or criteria for decisions on targeted budget reductions or reallocations

Update on Tuition and Fee Actions – Board of Trustees, April 3

- President Ray recommended Scenario B to the Board
- The Board endorsed Scenario B
 - No increase for Corvallis and Bend returning undergraduates
 - Increase of 3.2% for new undergraduates (transfers and first time freshman)
 - Increase for Ecampus Graduate and Professional rates at the values the committee recommended
- Change in recommendation on reducing student incidental fees for Spring term
 - Corvallis – 11.3% decrease
 - Cascades – 58.4% decrease
- The Board would like to revisit tuition decision at the end of May.

Overview of Current Budget Issues

- COVID-19 has posed the most difficult situation many of us have ever seen.
 - This is a university-wide problem
 - Short-term budget (Spring term) – biggest impact is in Self-Support units
 - Occupancy is down 10-15%; \$18M loss of revenue
 - \$6M loss of revenue in Athletics
 - Additional losses in fee revenue, sales, and parking
 - Total loss in revenue from Auxiliary and Self-Support - \$28-30M
 - Statewide public services – we may lose funds from tax revenues, funds from counties, and sales and service from some departments.
 - Estimated loss in revenue across all funds - \$35M
 - Offset by roughly \$10M in expense savings due to no travel, decrease in need for supplies, etc.
 - Long-term budget (Fall term)
 - Continuity planning group is looking at three cases
 - Case 1 – Back to mostly normal operation by mid-September
 - Case 2 – Back to mostly normal operation in January
 - Case 3 – More long-term outlook before getting back to normal operation
 - State revenue forecast in early May
 - Anticipated to be dismal
 - Rainy day fund
 - Reductions in State funding to be expected

- With an uncertain future we will continue to work towards a preliminary budget.
- Fall enrollment update - we are ahead on both freshman and transfer advance tuition payments.
 - A very low amount of students (18 out of 2200) had deposited and then withdrawn.
 - OSU was the first in the nation to extend the Freshman admissions deadline to June 1.
- Capital projects are currently under review
 - Dependent on cash management and available resources
- Cascades – Tuition and student billing
 - Cohort model
 - Transfer students tuition determined based on first term of entry
 - Tuition will freeze for one year

Other/Action Items

- Future ideas/topics/things to consider –
 - Emergency grants for students – how it will play out and what can we do as a university to help struggling students
 - Transition strategy – as we return to normal operations, could it provide opportunity to change or reevaluate services, etc.
 - Best practices at UO and other places
 - Check in on Student Health Services and CAPS
 - Many services are offered remotely with some limitations
 - Graduate Assistants – impact of long-term and recruitment of Graduate students
 - Process of scholarships for students who are unable to complete a course due to remote learning
 - Designed for students on track to graduate in the Spring who are unable to do so because of something directly related to COVID-19
 - Documented proof needed (e.g. cancellation of a course due to COVID-19)
 - Financial Aid strategy
 - CARES act funding benefit as Federal funds come for emergency grants to students
 - Coordinated through Financial Aid
 - Following updated guidelines from the Federal government
 - Currently working with the Foundation to get an accounting of maximum funds available to spend in the Spring term to match up students and scholarship opportunities.
 - OSU Foundation – the Beaver Cares initiative is designed to provide emergency grants to students and additional opportunities through fundraising.
 - Athletics – How this works and the impact on athletes
 - Research scholarship budget
 - International students – long-term outlook and challenges with remote learning

University Budget Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2020, 2:00 – 3:30 pm
Zoom



Next UBC Meeting

April 10, 2020 2:00-3:30
Zoom

Attendees

Belinda Batten – *Chair and Associate Dean, College of Engineering*
Sherm Bloomer – *Vice Chair and AVP, Budget & Resource Planning*
Safi Ahmad – *Associated Students of OSU*
Halli Barrios – *Student at large*
Rakesh Gupta – *Professor, College of Forestry*
Kelly Sparks – *Associate Vice President, OSU-Cascades (via phone)*
Jon Boeckenstedt – *Vice Provost, Enrollment Management*
John Gremmels – *Capital Planner, Infrastructure Working Group Representative*
Bob Cowen – *Director, Hatfield Marine Science Center (via phone)*
Javier Nieto – *Dean, College of Public Health & Human Sciences*
Jackie Thorsness – *Manager, Agricultural Sciences and Marine Sciences Business Center*
Alison Johnston – *Associate Professor, School of Public Policy; Faculty Senate Representative*
Allison Hurst – *Associate Professor, School of Public Policy*
Michaela Canete – *Student at Large, School of Public Policy, Student Budget Advisory Council*
Mahal Miles – *Student Budget Advisory Council*
Lana Klipfel – *Student Budget Advisory Council*
Nicci Real – *Director of Budget Development*
Laurie Henry – *Executive Assistant to AVP, Budget & Resource Planning*