

Budget Council Minutes
Tuesday, March 6, 2012
4:00 – 5:00 pm
President’s Conference Room, 10 Montana Hall

Terry Leist
Sue Leigland
Jeff Jacobsen
Wendy Stock
Allen Yarnell
Don Mathre

Anne Camper
Sheron McIlhattan
David Singel
Blake Bjornson
Jim Rimpau

Martha Potvin
Shelley McKamey
Doralyn Rossmann
Jeanne Wilkinson
Joseph Steffens

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Terry Leist.

II. Approval of Minutes of January 24, 2012

Martha Potvin moved to approve the minutes from the January 24 meeting and Wendy Stock seconded the motion. Unanimous approval was given.

III. University Wide Information/ Announcements

It was announced that Shari Curtis from the MSU Library is the new Staff Senate representative, replacing Sheron McIlhattan. The Budget Office staff will work with Shari for the Budget Council training.

IV. Update:

- Council Membership Election Process

The election process is currently being reviewed and will be used to replace all Governance Council positions that aren't appointed by position. The terms are currently staggered so that approximately ½ of the members are replaced at the end of each fiscal year. The positions that will expire at the end of FY12 are the positions filled by Shelley McKamey (Outreach), Jeff Jacobsen (Deans), Doralyn Rossmann (Faculty) and Sheron McIlhattan/Shari Curtis (Staff Senate).

With the proposed online election process, current members eligible and interested in serving a second term, whether by election or appointment, will follow the new process to express interest. To serve more than 2 consecutive terms, members are required to layoff at least one year prior to returning to the Council.

- Investment Proposal: Final Process

Terry Leist read the proposed memo to be sent to the President. Also discussed was the list to be sent with the memo and several options for the level of detail to be included on the list. These options were discussed and there was consensus that the list be simple and understandable to a variety of audiences.

The Budget Office requested that the primary reviewers of the investment proposals write up their review comments and include feedback for the submitters. These comments will be shared in the future with each of the submitters of proposals.

Allen Yarnell expressed his opinion that the investment proposal process ran quite well. This was a Council that was very hard working and left their agendas at the door in an effort to be fair and unbiased. The presentations went well and it was interesting to hear the details from the perspective of the presenters.

V. Information Items:

None

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned

The next meeting of the Budget Council will be April 3, 2012.