Budget Council Minutes  
October 24, 2023  
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm  
Montana Room, NAH 359

Members present:  
Terry Leist  
Tracy Dougher  
Alison Harmon  
Steven Swinford  
Chris Fastnow  
Craig Woolard  
Rosamarie Roccisano  
Dan Miller  
Ryan Knutson  
Kim Obbink  
Alison Harmon  
Brittany Thompson  
Steven Swinford  
Megan Lasso  
Brianna Bos

Others present:  
Megan Lasso  
Brianna Bos

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I. Call to Order  
A. Chair Terry Leist

II. Approval of Minutes – July 11, 2023

III. University Information/Announcements  
A. Board of Regents Meeting Updates  
1. July 2023 Meeting  
   a) Execute Lease at INDUSTRY Building for MilTech
2. September 2023 Meeting  
   a) Facility Items for Authority  
      (1) Energy Planning and Design for South Campus District  
      (2) Campus Data Center HVAC Systems in Renne and AJM  
      (3) Investment-Grade Energy Audit  
      (4) Applied Quantum CORE Lease at INDUSTRY Building  
      (5) Safe Storage for Vertebrate Specimens  
      (6) Land Transfer in Missoula for Nursing Building  
      (7) Construction Authority for 5 Nursing Buildings  
      (8) Construction authority for Gianforte Hall  
   b) Operating Budget Approvals  
      The operating budgets for the systems are approved each September  
      and can be found at the link.

IV. Action Items  
A. Discussion of investment outcome assessments from FY20  
1. Procure and Deploy Texting Solution for MSU  
   a) The council recommends pulling back the unused funds; $65,000  
      allocated less $36,349 spent equals $28,651.  
   b) The council would like to see an assessment of who has been using the  
      product, a projection of how much of this product could be used in the  
      future, and by which users.  
   c) The council would like a cost analysis comparing the cost of retaining this  
      product for the remaining users and alternatives that are becoming  
      available.  
   d) Is there a stronger narrative to support the strategic goals impacted?  
2. OIP International SOS – Priority 1
a) Council requests clarification; a reconciliation of how the funds were used, how much of the allocation was spent, and if funds were moved, what index were they reallocated to?

3. MA in Teaching
   a) The Council recommends deferring to the Academic Affairs process for program development and monitoring enrollment and tuition.

4. Director of Student-Athlete Wellness
   a) The council would like to see numeric measurements. The caseload is measured in the number of students served and the number of hours per student allocated per week. The position is integrated into CPS; are they performing other tasks? What is the ratio of time allocated to student-athletes to other tasks?
   b) The Council supports the process and would like to see more offerings across campus.

5. Athletics Learning Strategist
   a) The council would like to see numeric measurements, as well as understand if they expand their reach when not working directly with student-athletes.

V. Public Comment/Member Feedback

Next Meeting:

January 9, 2024
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm
Montana Room, NAH 359