

Council on University Planning and Budget
April 12, 2024 Minutes
CENCERE

Voting members present: Jeremy Clark, Jon Coleman, DJ Fox, Karolina Guzek, Jaleena Hemrich, Daniel Hooker, Amber May, Mike Murray, Stacy Ruholl, Brad Tolppanen, Eric Wahls

Voting member absent: David Bell, Todd Bruns, Tony Craven, Mona Davenport, Julie Dietz, Kristina Keck, Jeannie Ludlow, Tabitha Omanano, Gopal Periyannan, John Storsved, Gary Uteg, Dave Viertel

Non-voting members: Jay Gatrell, Matt Bierman, Anne Flaherty, Ryan Hendrickson, Mindy Spencer, Josh Norman, Cindy Hutchison

1. Call to order – Amber May called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm

2. Approval on minutes - Motion to approve March 1, 2024 minutes. Hooker moved and Coleman seconded to approve as written. The motion carried by acclamation.

3. CUPB Executive Committee Report – None

4. New Business

a. Administrative/Subcommittee Reports

- President Gatrell gave an update on the budget hearing in Springfield, Plan 2028, and the Tuition and Fees increase request. He noted that as of March, 71% of new faculty hired were persons of color. He shared that Joe Dively and Adrienne Coleman will be awarded Honorary Degrees at Spring Commencement. President Gatrell invited all to attend the April 19 Board of Trustee Meeting. He also encouraged departments to utilize the newly remodeled CENCERE facility the CUPB group met in.
- Vice President for Academic Affairs – VP Hendrickson gave an update on the VPAA area. VPAA committee met on March 13 – budget was in good shape but does not include Summer payroll. He noted that a draft of the HLC accreditation report will go out to the campus community on Monday, April 15. Four programs will be voted on for approval at the Friday, April 19 Board of Trustees meeting: B.A.A.S, Health Practice; B.A.A.S. Cyber Security; B.S. Computer Engineering; M.A.T. Elementary Education. VP Hendrickson shared that updated guidance is being created for student travel.

- Vice President for Business Affairs – VP Bierman discussed the Appropriated Line Item Status Report that was distributed to the group. He gave a facilities update stating the parking lot work will begin over the summer. A contract has been signed for moving the campus inventory to a digital inventory and the company will retag the entire campus. This should be completed by September 30, 2024. Audit compliance for FY23 has been completed. New auditing firm, Point Moran, will be used in FY24. The tunnel project will begin next spring.
- Vice President for Student Affairs – VP Flaherty shared she and a few others spoke at Springfield to petition for a \$200,000 grant for mental health. She shared that New Student Programs will host orientations in Chicago this summer. University Police Department will have a new officer hired April 26 upon completion of their training and hopes to be fully staffed by fall. The Dean of Students interviews have started, there are 4 candidates for the position. Shuttle bus fees are going up \$.14 on the dollar and a new smaller bus is being purchased so a CDL license will not be required to drive it.
- Vice President for University Advancement – VPUA Mindy Spencer shared that 3.4M has been raised so far with an increase in the number of donors over the previous year. The Campaign Case Statement theme has been selected and brochures are ready. VP Spencer stated April 24 will be the EIU “Day of Giving” and four areas are being suggested as points of giving: Greek Life; Study Abroad; Panther Retention Scholarship; Community Ambassador Scholarship.

Other: CUPB will not meet in May.

5. Adjournment: 2:57 pm