ATTENDING: Alejandro Arrieta, Trudy Banta, Camy Broeker, Robert Brookins, Patricia Ebright, John Hassell, Barbara Hass Jacobus, Robert Hickey, Mohamed Razi Nalim, Jacquelynn O’Palka, Mathew Palakal, Stephen Randall, Dawn Rhodes, Reed Smith, David Westhuis

Hassell called the meeting to order at 12:33pm.

Input to Administration for Spring 2010 Budget Hearings

- Questions / Process:
  - History of the process was discussed; previous years’ reports available on the Information Management and Institutional Research (IMIR) website: http://planning.iupui.edu/apbr/
  - Hassell will draft questions and send electronically to BAC members for input. Hassell will forward the final list of questions to Banta by October 28. Committee members were asked to look at last year’s report for their unit on the IMIR website as a reference when providing input on the list of questions. Potential questions raised during the meeting included:
    - What have you done in your unit to work around budget and staff reductions?
    - (To School units) How do you intend to use new revenue (i.e. from increased enrollment)?
    - Based on your experience with the first year of the current budget, how have the budget cuts affected your planning?
    - If plans rely on increased enrollment, how will infrastructure and support be funded to support the increased student population?
    - How is your unit contributing to the overall campus plan?
  - At a recent RPC meeting, Deans were asked how useful they found the budget hearings. Deans fell into two camps: (A) Hearings are rare times for deans to talk to faculty and share, or (B) hearings are not personally useful but deans are willing to attend to provide information to faculty.
  - BAC recommends all units be included, with a focus on support units.

- Scheduling: Decision was made to suggest that meetings be scheduled on Saturdays to increase availability of faculty and administrators to attend and focus on business without distraction.

Fiscal Affairs Update

- Provided information regarding the fiscal health of each unit as of June 30, 2009. [handout] (If any faculty wish to see additional data included on report in the future, please send suggestion to Broeker).
- How was the $10.6 million FY 2009-2010 budget reduction ($8.6 million + $2 million) allocated to individual units? [handout]
  - $4.2% reductions to academic units
  - $3.2% reduction to support units (1% less because support units already had a reduction to fund Degrees of Excellence)
  - Units must complete a budget adjustment to meet their target (adjustment cannot assume increased enrollment). Hassell requested that those reports be made available to BAC at the next BAC meeting
• Review Enrollment Shaping Expenditures and how any amounts, particularly scholarships, were distributed to RCs and other units (e.g., Honors College). [handouts for ESI distribution and Honors College budget]
  o Will Honors College be held harmless from reductions in future budgets? Unknown.
  o Honors College will partner with schools to offer additional scholarship money to students (Honors College’s contribution will come from the unallocated funds).
  o Comment: Honors College true costs not reflected because the cost of instruction is borne by the units, and honors courses are usually smaller and thus cost more to offer. Of course, the revenue for the courses also stays in the units.
• November 4 meeting with Chancellor Bantz – Hassell will send a reminder via email for those who can attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:02pm.

Next meeting:
Tuesday, November 17, 2009
12:30pm-2:00pm
BS 4032d

(the glassed-in faculty conference room on the fourth floor of the Business/SPEA building)