

Meeting Notes

Integrated Planning Committee Meeting

October 29, 2018

3:30 – 4:30pm

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Attendance:

Dr. Noreen Golfman, Provost & VP (Academic) (Chair)
Dr. Sean Cadigan, Associate VP (Academic)
Dr. Donna Hardy Cox, Social Work
Bailey Howard, MUNSU
Jillian Kavanagh, Marine Institute
Dr. Aimée Surprenant, Graduate Studies
Dr. Ian Sutherland, Music
Rizza Umali, GSU
Lori Pike, Budget Office
Jennifer Batten, Office of the Provost
Keith Matthews, CIAP
Réanne Kinsella, CIAP

Unable to attend:

Dr. James Feehan, Humanities & Social Science
Dr. Donald McKay, Medicine
Dr. Laura Robinson, Arts & Social Science, Grenfell

1. Review of meeting notes from October 15, 2018

The meeting notes from October 15, 2018 were reviewed and accepted by the Committee.

2. Post-Secondary Education Review

The Committee discussed whether or not the Post-Secondary Education Review should be brought up as a point of discussion during budget consultation sessions. The IPC will review the PowerPoint presentation and revisit this question.

3. Review of Consultations Presentation

The Committee reviewed the presentation to be provided at the beginning of each consultation session. The presentation and consultation questions will be the same for all groups and all campuses. The presentation was updated to include an update on last year's process, updated financial information, and new consultation questions. Committee members suggested a number of revisions. Specifically, a suggestion was made to reorganize the slides regarding budget history and the way in which the University has managed cuts in order to clarify cuts to administrative units versus academic units. It was also noted that the projected budget gap should be broken down with and without the pension payment.

The four consultation questions align with those in the online submission form. One member noted that the question asking for suggested areas of lower priority felt as though we are asking people to prioritize themselves over others. Alternative wording was also suggested for Question 4.

Members of IPC felt that too much focus on the Post-Secondary Education Review may distract from the real objective of the consultation sessions. However, it was suggested that the review should be acknowledged in the opening remarks.

A suggestion was made to open the sessions with an acknowledgement of the land. The Committee agreed that this was an important suggestion.

The presentation will be revised. Consultation questions will also be circulated to the University community next week, in advance of the consultation sessions.

4. Review of Budget Update Report

Mr. Matthews provided an overview of the Budget Update Report. Following feedback from the IPC, the Working Group changed the formatting of the report. Additional items have also been included in the list of updated activities in response to recommendations. Other activities were revised, specifically in regards to academic efficiencies including the Complement Advisory Committee, the centralized classroom booking system, and activities specific to Grenfell and MI.

IPC members are asked to provide any feedback to the Working Group by the end of day Tuesday. Following this the document will be finalized and distributed to the University Community, prior to the consultation sessions.

5. Review of Updated Website

The link for the updated website was circulated to IPC members during the previous week. Members are invited to send along any comments or feedback they may have to the Working Group. Although the IPC had discussed the possibility of a video clip on the front page of the IPC website with Dr. Golfman speaking to the process, the conclusion was made that the video would not be possible at this time due to time constraints but will be revisited in the future.

6. Update from the Working Group

Mr. Matthews noted that most of the work in preparation for the budget consultation process is largely complete. All Committee members are encouraged to attend consultation sessions. One session will also be livestreamed (Nov 6, 7:30pm).

7. Other Business

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15pm.