

MEETING MINUTES NOV. 20, 2020

Zoom, 12–2 p.m.

Meeting called to order: 12:05 p.m.

In Attendance: Dayna DeFilippis, Kristin DeMay, Kevin Dugan, Jeanette Durbin, Brian Fletcher, Candace Garlock, Matt Leathen (Chair), Staci Miller, Phil Smilinack

Absent: Jennie Allan, Amy Cavanaugh (Proxy: Dayna DiFilipis), Meeghan Gray (Proxy: Dayna DeFilippis), Heidi Himler, Heidi Julius, Fred Lokken

Guests: YeVonne Allen, Amber Anaya, Anne Flesher, Ron Marston, Jim New

Welcome

Chair Matt Leathen welcomed everyone to today's meeting.

VPFA Informational Report: Jim New

Jim New, Vice President of Finance and Administration reviewed the composition of the budget. TMCC's total budget is \$50M in funding, state appropriations, registration fees, tuition, and self-supporting budgets. Personnel is 81% of the budget. Fixed expenditures such as utilities and accreditation fees comprise \$4-5M.

Personnel (classified and professional) are tied to contractual obligations (benefits) which make trimming that portion of the budget difficult. The LOA budget can be reduced without contractual obligations, but would impact part-time faculty. These impacts and contractual obligations do not allow for a lot of wiggle room from one year to the next. TMCC has historically held a healthy contingency fund, some of which, will be used to offset FY22 and FY23.

The TMCC Budget Reduction Taskforce is preparing numbers with the assumptions there will be no further CARES Act Funds or regent pool funds.

Mr. New also explained student weighted credit hours. A student completing a 3-credit gen ed course would count as 3 weighted student credit hours. High-impact courses such as nursing and CTE's are 4 weighted credits per class credit. A three-credit nursing class, for example, would result in 12 weighted credit hours. On count years, student weighted credit hours are used by Legislature to determine funding.

Questions received circled around current enrollment numbers. The TMCC website has a dashboard with all of the latest numbers. There were also several questions about the current budget numbers and where the contingency fund currently resides. Ron Marston suggested the committee consider a motion for budget considerations moving forward to protect the LOA budget.

Mr. New also touched on zero-based scheduling and noted it did not significantly reduce the budget. Mr. New will also send recommendations to this committee for future input.

Approval of the October 23, 2020 Minutes

Kristin DeMay motioned and Kevin Dugan seconded the approval of the October 23, 2020 minutes. The committee approved them with 1 abstention noted.

Budget Taskforce Update

The Furlough Policy was approved at the recent Board of Regents meeting. The TMCC Budget Reduction Taskforce is reconvening on November 30. NSHE's Budget Reduction Response Committee will meet December 11.

Sabbatical Subcommittee

Chair Matt Leathen reported the committee membership has been filled and the recommendations to the President will be sent mid-December.

Old Business

None

New Business

Chair Leathen asked the committee whether they want to consider Ron Marston's motion idea or wait until the committee has more information. The committee had no comment or preference. Chair Leathen will wait until more information is available.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:13 p.m.

Next Meeting: January, 29, 2021; 12-2 p.m.