Minutes
Wednesday, May 6, 2015
8:30-10:00 a.m. Old Main Boardroom


Absent: B. Bowen, A. Comrie, V. Del Casino, M. Galilee-Belfer (Co-Chair), G. Goldman, S. Helm, S. Hill, M. Taylor, T. Thompson, A. Vaillancourt

Guests: C. Stoffle, S. Umashankar, X. Zeng

Call to Order
Co-Chair R. Richardson called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Approval of the Minutes of April 15, 2015
The minutes of April 15, 2015 were approved.

Updates
Co-chair Richardson updated the Committee about ABOR’s vote to accept the tuition setting recommendations put forth by the three state universities. He reminded members that the goal of tuition increases is not simply to cover the state appropriation budget cuts, but to help provide funds to invest in the future of the University.

B. Bryson talked about Governor Ducey’s visit to the March ABOR meeting. The Governor has charged ABOR with developing a new ABOR strategic plan. This project will be developed over the summer.

Co-chair Richardson thanked those whose terms on SPBAC are ending: Zach Brooks, President of GPSC; Issac Ortega, President of ASUA; and long standing elected members, Eric Betterton and Bill Conway. E. Betterton and B. Conway shared some of their experiences as members of SPBAC with the committee. Co-Chair Richardson then welcomed new members, Carla Stoffle from SBS, Sue Umashankar from Eller and Xubin Zeng from Science. Each of the new members then shared their own SPBAC hopes and expectations with the committee.

Members were encouraged to attend the upcoming May 11th Faculty Senate meeting where the discussion topic will be Diversity.

Budget Recommendations
Co-chair Richardson distributed a one page handout entitled SPBAC Responses to Budget Cutting Principles in Response to the FY16 Budget that was developed through conversations with Provost Andrew Comrie, Chief Financial Officer Gregg Goldman and University
administration. Members broke into groups of three or four to discuss the eight potential budget cut principles. Each group was asked if it agreed or disagreed with the principle. The majority of all groups agreed with all eight principles. Comments were provided for all eight potential principles. These comments became the basis for a document from SPBAC to the Administration on the budget cutting principles.

**Adjournment**
The meeting was adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

**Future Meetings**
May 20, 2015 CANCELLED
There are no meetings in June and July; SPBAC will reconvene in August 2015.