

## Financial & Physical Planning Committee September 12, 2022, 2:00 – 3:30 pm Microsoft Teams

## **Minutes**

**Present:** Thomas Borchert (Faculty Senate President), Teresa Cahill-Griffin (CNHS), Dan DeSanto (LIB), Evan Eyler (FS Vice President) David Kaufman (RSNER), Lisa McGee (LCOM), Guillermo Rodriguez (CAS), Greg Rowangould (CEMS), Evan Siegel (SGA), Sara Solnick (CAS), Beth Zigmund (LCOM)

Absent: Terry Bradshaw (CALS), Haley Woodside-Jiron (CESS), Andrey Ukhov (GSB), Pending (GSS)

Guests: Shari Bergquist, Richard Cate, Jay Jacobs, Moses Murphy

The meeting was called to order by chair Guillermo Rodriguez at 2:00pm via Microsoft Teams.

- **1.** Approval of September Minutes. The minutes of September 2022 were approved as written.
- **2. Chair Update.** We will have a dean from one of the colleges visit at the next meeting to discuss budgets on the college level. We will also discuss the FPPC Operating Procedure.
- **3. Enrollment Update, Jay Jacobs & Moses Murphy.** To view the materials from the presentation visit <a href="https://www.uvm.edu/content/files/shared/undergraduate-admissions/counselor\_guide.pdf?t=rivl6c">https://www.uvm.edu/content/files/shared/undergraduate-admissions/counselor\_guide.pdf?t=rivl6c</a>. The committee discussed the data.
  - There was a lot of concern around Vermont enrollment, Jay and Moses discussed the challenges of enrolling Vermonters into UVM.
  - The average out of state student brings in about 22,500 in revenue each year.
  - Housing and how it is that impacting enrollment and retention. It is not as big of an
    impact for first year students, it is more of an issue with transfer students that can't
    find off campus housing. Catamount Run will help a little, but this is a long-term issue
    that needs to be addressed.
  - How is the current crime situation in Burlington impacting enrollment. This mostly
    impacts Vermonters more than the out of state students, because Burlington is still
    safer than most larger cities, so it is less of a concern for students coming from those
    areas. They are working on a new Blue Light System and continue to work with the city
    of Burlington.
  - They are currently working with the Graduate College to streamline the process between both areas. The needs are different between the two but are trying to find ways to work better together.
- **4. VP of Finance, Richard Cate.** There will be a balanced budget at the end of the year. There may need to be some reallocation due to the higher costs of utilities and goods. Not all projects may be completed this

year, based on the reallocation of budget. The tuition policy at this point has not changed, there will be a discussion at the upcoming board meeting.

The committee asked the following questions.

- Will there be a pause on projects until the associated costs come down? The hope is by next Spring things will stabilize and material costs will come down. So, they are being cautious and doing the things that need to be done.
- There was a 10 million base increase in the general appropriation for UVM. This is a yearly increase by the State of Vermont.
- Trinity Campus, there will be a detailed discussion with the planning commission about the future of the Trinity Campus.
- **5.** New / Old Business. There was no new / old business.
- **6. Adjourn.** The committee adorned the meeting at 3:00pm.

The next FPPC meeting will be November 7, 2022, from 2:00 to 3:30 on Teams.