Minutes of the Budget Review Council meeting  
Tuesday, March 12, 2013  
PPD “Main St.” Conference room

Attendees:
Norb Dunkel, Asst. VP & Director, Housing/Student Affairs  
Susan Luther, Business Manager, Journalism  
Kelli Brown, Interim Dean, HHP  
Margaret Mertz, Assoc. Dean, Fine Arts  
Andrea Burne, Director, PHHP  
Jim Wold, Dentistry  
Bill Heitman, Budget & Planning Manager, Engineering  
Bob Miller, Assoc. VP, Business Services  
Mike Brodeur, Sr. Assoc. Dean, Pharmacy  
John Haven, Director, Vet Med  
Kimberly Browne, Director, Budgets & Finance, IFAS/CALS  
David Richardson, Sr. Assoc. Dean, CLAS  
Peggy Carr, Associate Dean, DCP  
Deb Staats, Assoc. Dean, Law

Support Staff  
Sheri Austin, Asst. VP Budgets, CFO  
Jim Ferrer, Asst. VP Finance, CFO  
Stephanie Nielsen, Budget Coordinator, CFO  
Bonnie Cauthon, Business Mgr, CIO  
Brian Keith, Asst. Dean, UF Libraries

Guests  
Lisa Deal, Director, UF Purchasing  
Judith Russell, Dean, UF Libraries  
Elias Eldayrie, VP and Chief Information Officer

The meeting was called to order at 3 p.m.

Presentations: All presentations may be reviewed at: http://cfo.ufl.edu/rcm/budget-council/2013-2014-meetings/

UF Information Technology/CIO

Elias Eldayrie, Vice President and Chief Information Officer and Bonnie Cauthon, the CIO division Business Manager presented a proposal to move the telecomm charges from direct chargebacks to departments and add $3,050,000 to the UFIT base budget, to be funded from RCM IT overhead charges. Members of the council asked for comparative information showing how much units are paying under current system and how much they would pay if the proposed change were implemented. Elias agreed to supply that information to the council. Bonnie presented a second proposal to increase several the cost of a number of contracts which would add $827,200 to the 2014 UFIT budget. The contracts are for campus licenses with Dell, Microsoft, Red Hat, Incommon, Lynda.com, McAfee, Qualtrics, Voice Thread and iParadigms, as well as Enterprise

**UF Libraries**

Dean Judith Russell presented information to the council which compared UF library funding to the library funding of eight peer institutions. The Library is requesting an additional $1,626,080 which it says is for essential to avoid the loss of core content for students, faculty, researchers, and clinicians. The Sr. VP has already agreed to add an additional $300,000 from the HSC for the HSC Libraries. Due to declining State budgets, the total library expenditures for UF Libraries have only increased by $7,858 from 2008 to 2012, well below the level peer institutions.

**UF Purchasing**

Lisa Deal made a request to the council for a recurring increase of $214,500 to the Purchasing budget to create dedicated positions and software tools for contract management and oversight. The personnel would monitor existing contracts for vendor compliance and reduce ‘maverick spending’ which typically costs 5% -10% more than contract prices. The system would integrate with the current myUF Market/SciQuest system to make contracts more visible to campus, maintain a database of existing contracts, alleviate buyer overload, and reduce contract overpayments. Lisa provided data which showed that the investment of $214,500 would generate a minimum savings of $572,891 annually to campus units.

**Next meeting**

Tuesday, March 19, 2013
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Presentations by Contracts and Grants, Division of Sponsored Research and Enrollment Management/Office of the Registrar