

MINUTES, UNIVERSITY BUDGET COMMITTEE
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Members Present: J. Kus (Chair), N. Bengiamin, J. Constable,
W. Fasse, A. Parham, J. Parks,
L. Stillmaker (student).

Members Absent: P. Trueblood (excused), T. Wielicki (excused).

Visitors: K. Carey, J. Diaz, D. Hansen, A. Huda,
G. Munoz, V. Samiian, J. Waayers.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kus at 3:19 p.m. in the University Center, Room #203.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 11/7/2007.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as amended to show that it is the Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in Graphic Arts, not the Masters of Fine Arts (MFA) as listed on the Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.

Chair Kus noted that there are indications that there will be a significant revenue shortfall in 08/09 and that the governor has already called for state agencies to prepare for budget cuts.

4. New Business.

There was none.

5. Proposed BFA in Graphic Design - Second Reading.

The committee continued its discussion of this proposed new degree program. V. Samiian, (Dean of Arts & Humanities), clarified that the program would replace the existing Graphic Design option, although there would be a transition period when both programs would operate. It was also noted that although the proposal indicated a need for a graphics technician within the Art Department, the college would not be funding this position, but rather would provide technical support using the current college positions. After much discussion, the following motion was made:

MSC that the University Budget Committee finds that there are no negative budgetary implications related to the implementation of the proposed BFA degree in Graphic Design beyond those that would be covered by FTES growth and that would be absorbed within the budgets of the department and college. The Committee requests that this program be subject to Budget Committee review during the second year of the program in order to monitor the status of the program's budget.

It was noted that there was one abstention when the vote was made.

6. Proposed Bachelor of Science (BS) in Bio-Medical Physics - Second Reading.

The committee continued its discussion of this program, with A. Huda and G. Munoz answering a number of questions, particularly related to prospective enrollments and the cost of equipment needed for the program. It was noted that students have already enrolled in this program via "special majors" and that there is an expectation that more students will enroll once the program can be included in the university catalog and can be properly promoted. C. Carey (Interim Dean of Science & Math), noted that this is a relatively expensive program within the College of Science and Mathematics but that its costs can be covered within the college. After much discussion, the following motion was made:

MSC that the University Budget Committee finds that there are no negative budgetary implications related to the implementation of the proposed BS degree in Bio-Medical Physics beyond those that would be covered by FTES growth and that would be absorbed within the budgets of the department and college. The Committee requests that this program be subject to Budget Committee review during the second year of the program in order to monitor the status of the program's budget.

It was noted that there was one abstention when the vote was made.

MSC to adjourn at 4:25 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the University Budget Committee will be Wednesday, November 28, 2007 at 3:15 p.m. in the University Center, Room #203.

Agenda.

1. Approval of Minutes of 11/8/2007.
2. Approval of Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.
4. New Business.
5. Review of Doctorate in Education.