UAS SPBAC Meeting Notes

Members in Attendance: Karen Carey, Linda Carroll (for Pete Traxler), Rick Caulfield, Gail Cheney, Michael Ciri, Brad Ewing, Keith Gerken, Barbara Hegel, Lisa Hoferkamp, Deb Lo, Paula Martin, Joe Nelson, David Russel- Jensen, Priscilla Schulte, Kristy Smith, Elise Tomlinson, Vickie Williams

Review Standing SPBAC Agenda Items - Brad Ewing

Overview: Brad described this year's agenda and the rationale for various agenda items. He stated that standing agenda items will help SPBAC members better prepare for the meetings and contribute to richer conversations. The agenda items were developed to increase the link between our accreditation, assessment, and strategic priority efforts with budgeting and planning. Additionally, Brad and Karen C. would like to increase our discussions on the impact of past decisions and key initiatives on student learning and success.

Discussion: Questions were asked about the scope and responsibilities for the November deans and directors presentations. Guidance will be provided by Karen C. and Michael.

Goals for the Year's Six SPBAC Meeting - Executive Cabinet

Strategic Priorities Presentation & Standard 3 - Rick/Karen C./Michael

Overview: Seven priorities, 65 action steps for FY17 in the Strategic Priorities 10/11/2016 draft document that was developed in response to the 8/22/2016 collaborative discussion with faculty, staff, and executive leadership.

Discussion: The discussion focused on questions about how to collaborate to operationalize institutional priorities. Various options were proposed but there are still questions about the role of SPBAC in identifying lead responsibilities for implementing action steps and measuring progress towards achieving goals for each action step.

Budget Presentation - Michael

Overview: Michael discussed Roxy's memo sent to UAS Faculty Senate. FY17 \$2.5M GF reduction + \$2.8M increase in fixed costs resulted in \$5.3M funding gap. For FY18, the GF reduction is expected to be approximately the same but there are no expected increases in fixed costs. So, a \$2.5M GF reduction would result in a \$2.5M funding gap for UAS. The Governor's initial budget will be published in December. The first projection for the FY17 year-end fund balance/carryforward will be available in February.

Accreditation Update - Karen C.

Overview: UAS will be moving ahead with NWCCU accreditation for 2019. Karen is trying to put together a working group to address programmatic issues across campus.

Defining & Assessing Mission Fulfillment: Standards 1 and 5 - Brad

Overview: Brad discussed two documents that were circulated. The first was a 1-page overview of how mission fulfillment at UAS has been defined and assessed in the 2011 and 2013 NWCCU self-evaluation reports and the 2017 Strategic Priorities document. Additionally, this document included NWCCU responses and recommendations from the 2011 and 2013 reports on the improvements that are needed in the way that UAS defines and assesses mission fulfillment. The second document was a 2-page table with the draft core theme objective performance measures that are central to the way that UAS defines and assesses mission fulfillment with 30 metrics was revised in FY16 based on contributions from the UAS Research and Creative Activity Committee, further review was provided by Faculty Senate during their meetings on 10/2/2015, 11/6/2015, and 4/1/2016. The core theme objective performance measures do senate the 11/17/2016 meeting once the Committee has reviewed the current draft.

Resources & Capacity: Standard 2 - Brad

- The meeting ended before addressing this agenda item.