

Committee on Financial and Administrative Policy (FAP): Minutes

Meeting #7: Oct. 2, 2023

Zoom

10 – 11 am

Members Present: Hal Walker (CEAE, Chair), Rob Dempski (CBC), Tahar El-Korchi (COG Appointee); Suzanne LePage (CEAE), Joseph Sarkis (BUS), Stephan Sturm (MA), Kris Sullivan (Associate VP for Academic Affairs).

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am.
2. Distributed agenda was adjusted to incorporate FAP discussion of University Budget Review. Then agenda was accepted.
3. Meeting minutes for #3 and #5 approved. Meeting #3 minutes are subject to final comments from Mike Horan. Minutes for meeting #6 (special meeting for campus framework discussion) were put on hold until next meeting.
4. FAP topics prioritization for AY 23-24 were discussed with priority categorization update.

The committee was presented with categories for prioritization. These categories resulted from community comments and FAP committee member contributions from the past few meetings.

The general categories formed include: Salary and Benefits, University Finances, Administrative Policies (APG items are related), Facilities, Shared Governance – FAP's role in the university, and General Long-term Plans. The full listing and categorization of FAP topics are included with these minutes.

A discussion of topic prioritization occurred. Some factors to consider by FAP members are broadest impact, strategic versus operational, level of impact.

Additional items include regular updates and information about processes, such as academic budget and merit increases (as examples). There will also be continuous updates from FBC and RPC.

5. FAP meetings week of Faculty Meeting (proposal by Secretary Richman) – The proposal was that FAP not meet during faculty meeting weeks to encourage attendance at the faculty meeting. The proposal was to let the regular FAP meeting be replaced by the full faculty meeting for that week. There was a general feeling that FAP had a number of important concerns to address and that replacing a FAP meeting with general faculty meeting attendance would hinder FAP progress given the many issues it has to address.
6. Secretary of FAP for B-term – Tahar El-Korchi agreed to serve as the B-Term Secretary.

7. Meeting was adjourned at 10:51 am

Respectfully,

Joseph Sarkis
FAP Secretary