Faculty Senate Budget and Planning Committee Minutes of the meeting 08 December 2005

Present: D. Barlow, W. Kuo, S. McMillan, J. Nolt, J. Whelan, C. White

Absent: L. Gross, G. Kuney, G. Reed, N. Schrick, J. Wansley,

Meeting called to order at 3:35.

- 1) Minutes of the 10 November 2005 meeting were reviewed. Whelan noted the need for correction to spelling of his name. Motion to approve as amended: Whelan, second: White. Minutes approved.
- 2) McMillan reported that she has requested data for the faculty salary survey. However the office of institutional research replied that the data would not be ready until late January or February of 2006.
- 3) Nolt reported that he is scheduled to meet with Tom Mulligan's office in mid-December to talk about a possible campaign to engage faculty and staff in energy conservation efforts. He also reported that the account has been set up for faculty and staff to contribute to energy conservation efforts.
- 4) The committee reviewed graphical budget summarizes provided by Barlow's office. In general, it was agreed that both charts were useful and that they should be included in materials distributed for the budget hearings. Barlow will work with others in the chancellor's office to finalize instructions for deans on preparation of materials for the budget hearings.
- 5) White reported on the work of the Living Wage taskforce. She provided the executive summary of that group's report. Issues related to living wage were discussed at some length. However, the committee members generally expressed uncertainty about how the committee should respond to the report. McMillan agreed to invite members of the taskforce to the next meeting of the budget and planning committee so that they could help committee members better understand how the committee should respond to the challenges related to living wage issues.
- 6) McMillan reminded the committee that Hamilton set January of 2006 as the date by which a change in the name of the VASF would occur. Committee members will monitor use of the term and will lodge a formal complaint if the term "scholarship" is not removed from the name.
- 7) At 4:50, Whaelan made a motion that the meeting be adjourned, second by White. The committee was adjourned.