PRESENTATION:

Mr. Bryson introduced Mr. Matt Boscher and Ms. Lindsey Sollar, representatives from Sightlines, who gave a PowerPoint presentation on data they have collected at the university in regards to the accurate measurement of carbon footprints and the development of feasible climate actions plans. Go-Green services, a suite of products that will help the university measure, monitor and benchmark its carbon footprint and develop feasible Climate Actions Plans, were also discussed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon a motion of Dr. Ruth, seconded by Dr. Harpster, the minutes of the January 25, 2010 meeting were approved.

INFORMATION AND ACTION ITEMS:

2009-2010 PASSHE E&G Appropriations: Dr. Terrell reviewed the current budget situation including PASSHE E&G appropriation history, E&G appropriation per in-state student, PASSHE tuition history, E&G appropriation and tuition per in-state student, educational and general revenue per student, PASSHE appropriations in 2011-2012, 2009-2010 E&G expenditures, 2010-2011 mandatory increases, 2010-2011 total increases, and 2010-2011 E&G budget requirements.

2010-2011 Budget Review: Ms. Fawks reviewed the 2010-2011 budget and areas impacting it and encouraged the entire campus to get involved and offer creative ways to address the significant challenges the university is facing with the current budget situation.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

Dr. Ruud emphasized the seriousness of the current budget crisis and supported Ms. Fawks statement on creative ways to address the budget. He encouraged cabinet members to get staff involved and provide new ideas and insights for budget reductions in their respective areas. Dr. Ruud also discussed the concept of tuition by credit hour, a system that other state systems have gone to. By raising the base
from 15 to 18 credit hours the state system could generate an additional $13 million in income. Finally, he described the challenges SERS is facing in not being able to fund its obligations.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Bids for the CUB renovation were opened on February 19 and came in 25% low.
- Student Senate elections will begin March 3 to 5.
- More than 40 faculty members will present *Ship Shines for Haiti: An Evening of Entertainment* on February 23 at 7 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium—a fundraiser in support of the university’s “Have a Heart for Haiti” campaign. The evening will include a silent auction and live entertainment.
- Mr. Clinton stated that the SU Foundation has started its annual phonathon, the Annual Fund is up 7%, and benefactors continue to give at a higher percent and dollar amount than last year.
- Dr. Harpster encouraged cabinet members to support his efforts to contact regional, state and federal legislators by making contact with them in daily life.
- There will be an open forum on SIS on March 3 at 3 p.m. in Grove Forum.
- The Graduate Council has accepted GA allocations for the coming year.
- The College of Business dean search is moving forward. Please provide feedback forms to Dr. Mike.
- Dr. Speakman provided a copy of the Enrollment Management and Compliance Report Date for Spring 2010.
- Celebration of Student Research Conference will take place April 20 from 3 to 9 p.m. in the CUB with both undergraduate and graduate poster and oral presentations. In addition, the library has partnered with IPS and will showcase student research in its gallery area.
- Dr. Ruth reported that the university was not successful in securing the local broadband grant and will determine how to rework this grant for reapplication.
- Athletics will sponsor a “Run for Haiti” on February 28 starting at Heiges Field House at 1 p.m.
- The Cinco de Mayo Joint Chamber Mixer will be held May 5 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the SU Foundation Conference Center.
- ArtShip will be held June 6 from 12 to 5 p.m. This year’s event will include two Bluegrass bands and additional vendors.
- Forum met on February 16 and requested Dr. Serr to do a presentation on student housing.
- The LPAC performance of Jesus Christ Superstar on February 21 was a sellout and lead actor Ted Neeley made a complimentary speech following performance on how the LPAC “is the national standard for performing arts venues at this size university.”
- Dr. Sax provided a copy of the Academic Master Plan Timeline as seen in MINUTES ATTACHMENT 1. Weekly updates on the website will start the week of February 22.
- THE NSSE Survey came out last week.
- Dr. Finucane stated that there is a high level of participation by faculty in the master plan focus groups.
- Dr. Mike thanked Dr. Pomeroy and IPS for student research help provided to College of Arts & Sciences students. He said the research done here by students and faculty makes us stand out from other schools at our level.
- The Chancellor’s Office has begun talks with unions on retirement incentive packages.
- Financial interest disclosure forms are being sent out. Robyn Lovett ensures that all these forms are turned in from the university.
- Dr. Grissom announced that the threat assessment training on February 18 was excellent and thanked everyone who attended the session.
- Dr. Hockersmith announced that the Master’s of Social Work program is now accredited.
• Dr. Gigliotti reminded everyone that there will be two commencement ceremonies on February 27—College of Arts & Sciences at 11 a.m. and College of Business and College of Education & Human Services at 2 p.m. February 28 is the back-up date in case of snow.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 10:45 a.m.

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