

# University Resources Commission

November 12, 2018

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Modular Building 108

**Attendees** William Spindle, Marissa Lyssy, Deanna Reynolds, Claire Nolasco, Nancy Larson, John Smith, Brian Brantley, Joe Simpson, Margie Vasquez, Richard Ortega (attending on behalf of Anthony Medina), Chris Leach, Lloyd Butler, Carroll Adams, Sharon Otholt, Brandy McLelland, Jane Mims

**Absent** Mike O'Brien, Brandon Oliver, Dennis Elam, Pablo Calafiore, Edwin Blanton, Anthony Medina, Denis Cano

## Summary

### 1. FY2019 URC Recommended Budget Approval

- a. FY 2019 URC revised budget recommendations have been reviewed and verbally approved. A formal letter will confirm approval of budget recommendations.
- b. Additional funds from one-time reserves for Enrollment Management will go towards marketing and enacting the strategic plan recently developed for enrollment.

### 2. Types of Funding

- a. Information disseminated through a PowerPoint presentation. A thorough explanation of each was provided in the presentation. Comments and discussion not reflected in the presentation are as follows:
  - i. Appropriated Funds include Direct, General Revenue-Dedicated, and Indirect funds. General revenue (Direct) is comprised of funds from formula funding and non-formula funding funds. General Revenue-Dedicated is comprised of statutory tuition funds; funds generated locally from tuition that are held at the State Treasury.
  - ii. Institutional enhancement comprises the largest source of non-formula funding.
  - iii. Tuition revenue bonds (TRBs) are typically designated to support construction projects. Depending on legislative priorities, TRBs are typically considered every 5-10 years.
  - iv. Indirect Appropriated funds are not made directly to TAMUSA in the bill pattern. The bill pattern designates how state dollars get appropriated to institutions and are used to cover costs related to health insurance, retirement, and social security.
  - v. Non-Appropriated funds include designated (local) and auxiliaries. An athletic fee (under designated local>fees) would not be presented until next fall. A bill needs to be put forth to permit A&M-SA to do an athletic fee, and only after student approval.

1. University services fees are calculated largely based on the system base. Next URC meeting will explore how fees are calculated.
2. Auxiliary funds are not available to the University as they are self-supportive and are used to cover its own operating costs.

### 3. Formula Funding

- a. Information disseminated through a PowerPoint presentation. A thorough explanation of formula funding was provided in the presentation. Comments and discussion not reflected in the presentation are as follows:
  - i. The instruction/operations formula is produced by multiplying semester credit hours by program weight by rate. Courses in different fields are weighted relative to each other and the weight value is pulled from a predetermined matrix.
  - ii. The Legislative Appropriation Request gets submitted as part of statutory tuition funding.
  - iii. Enrollment during Summer 2018-Spring 2019 will determine appropriation for FY 2020 (Fall 2019- Summer 2020) and FY 2021 (Fall 2020- Summer 2021). Note: there is always a lag in growth based on the calendar.
  - iv. Finally, the infrastructure support formula is a space-need projection model that takes into account the square footage of a building as well as utilization. The more instruction space and the higher utilization, the more favorable the result.

### 4. Budget Plan

- a. Departments are given a combination of appropriated and non-appropriated funds. Appropriated funds that come from the state go towards expenses like salaries, with travel expensed from local (non-appropriated) funds.
- b. Budget plan primary allocations include personnel (salaries and wages) and operations & maintenance.
- c. The FY 2020 Proposed Budget Calendar was shared with URC members. Important dates include March 25, when budget workbooks and instructions are distributed to divisions, and April 22, when completed budget workbooks are due back to URC. URC to provide a budget recommendation to Dr. Matson the first week of May.