

University Budget Committee Thursday, March 17, 2022

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Summary

Campus Priorities

- President's Cabinet met to develop a set of priorities to guide budget requests
 - o The priorities reflect the highest needs of individual divisions, as well as cross divisional initiatives, which included an initial \$13.2M in needs, but was narrowed down to \$7.6M
 - o The identified needs are greater than anticipated budget allocations, and would require multiple years of new funding to implement
- Largest priority is the Go Far Together Initiative
 - o Cross-divisional initiative
 - o Plan includes
 - Salary and benefits for several new positions to stand up College Based Student Success Centers --\$2,087,075
 - Operational budget needed to support the CBSSC, including Affinity center support which is necessary for student support --\$295,000
 - 'Repurposing' existing base funding to support students --\$6,221,783
- *22-23 Budget Priorities Recommendation* – It is recommended that UBC support the requests as presented.
 - o A memo from the UBC Chair and the VP, Administration & Finance will include the recommendation from UBC to fund the budget priorities as presented.

Earmark Working Group

- *History* - In the past, state earmarks were narrow in focus and campuses contacting their legislators directly created inequities and was somewhat frowned upon
 - o Record state budget surplus year in 2021 saw a significant number of budget earmarks provided to some, but not all CSU campuses. The earmarks ranged from \$60,000 to \$458 million
 - o CSUDH benefitted from an \$61m earmark in the 21 22 budget --\$60m for 3 capital infrastructure projects (\$20m each) --\$1m in base funding to advance the Mervyn M. Dymally African American Political & Economic Institute (MDAAPEI)
 - o Budget gaps between the trustees' operating budget request and the amount proposed by the governor
- *Working Group* - As a result of the inequities, the Chancellor tasked the Executive Vice Chancellor the Interim Vice Chancellor University Relations and Advancement to assemble an "Earmark Working Group" to look at the existing set of guidelines established in November 2018 and develop a new set of guidelines to assist campus presidents and legislative liaisons
 - o The working group includes Presidents, along with campus academic, legislative, business and Chancellor's Office representatives
 - o There is strong legislator interest to support the CSU to secure additional funding

- Working Group currently working on a document in support of a temporary framework (no policy is anticipated for the CSU)
 - Temporary framework/guidelines would be place for the 2022 budget/legislative year and will be affirmed for subsequent years
- Campus based proposal must be “one time’ funding only and earmarks must align with current campus priority infrastructure projects, with a notification, review, and acceptance by the CO prior to written communication to the respective legislator or their staff
- Campuses will be held harmless if approved earmark does not fall within the capital and infrastructure lists

Cares Update

- As of 3/14/22 the campus had drawn down \$33.7M over 22 claims
- An additional \$6.9M has been drawn down since the last UBC meeting

Action Items

None.

Full recording available upon request.