

College Budget Committee Minutes – February 10, 2012

Members Present:

James Milroy
Dennis Showers
James Williams
Carol Long
Bob Bonfiglio
Julie Morgan
Mike Mooney
Nick Spengler

Members Absent:

David Granger
Mike Catillaz

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M.

Jim Milroy briefed the committee on SUNY's 2012-13 state budget request and Governor Cuomo's recommended budget for SUNY. It was noted that the Governor adhered to the maintenance of effort provision of the NY-SUNY 2020 legislation but did not include funding for the final 10 percent installment of the 2008-09 Tuition increase that was retained by the state, and that he did not fully fund hospital fringe benefits. Under funding hospital fringe benefits, it was noted, has potential negative consequences for Geneseo since, in the past, SUNY has covered such shortfalls by spreading the costs across the state-operated colleges and university centers. If SUNY were to continue this practice in 2012-13, Geneseo could lose almost all of the additional revenue generated by the 2012-13 tuition increase. SUNY's first legislative priority is to seek an increase of \$55 million in hospital fringe benefit funding to address the shortfall.

The committee had a general discussion of the role of the Budget Committee in relation to the Strategic Planning Group and the College Assessment Advisory Council. The committee will continue to focus on strategies for enhancing its ability to inform resource allocation decisions. The committee discussed the possibility of asking the various divisions to develop five-year needs analyses for review by the committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M.