



**President's Planning and Budget Advisory Committee
Meeting Notes – October 2, 2009**

Chairman Gwaltney opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and noting the new location for today's meeting – Burruss Building 269.

President Papp provided a brief update on ADP/Shared Services, noting that the entire USG is having problems with the conversion. KSU's problems are small in comparison to what some institutions are experiencing. Hinds noted that two key problems areas have been tax reporting and TIAA deposits; which are both being addressed. Papp went on to say that the Chancellor has made it clear that the USG will move forward with the next phase of shared services. This is a Regents directive. The USG presidents are meeting soon to determine which next project will have the least impact on our campuses. He welcomes suggestions so that he can ensure that KSU's opinion is included. A communication updating the campus on shared services will be sent soon.

Hinds introduced John Anderson to provide an update on campus flood damage and recovery. Anderson noted that our strength was exhibited in how well everyone responded and worked together. The dry out is 75% complete and repairs have begun. The costs will be covered through insurance and MRR funds. Some maintenance projects on the board have been accelerated as a result of surrounding damage (i.e. roof replacements). Our weaknesses included space limitations to absorb those areas that had to be temporarily relocated and an already thin facilities staff that was required to work many extra hours. He gave kudos to the Office of Environmental Health and Safety for their commitment to the task. In addressing the traffic gridlock that quickly formed around campus, Anderson stated that he has contacted the state Department of Transportation to consider ways to relieve congestion around campus. He also noted that the decks were re-inspected for any structural damage that might have resulted from the flooding. At this time, everything looks good. It is estimated that damage and recovery costs will run between \$1 million and \$1.5 million. Hinds offered additional kudos to Plant Operations, Campus Police, Facilities, and Environmental Safety for their efforts to maintain order and minimize damage. Anderson will be the single point of contact for any questions relating to flood damage and recovery. He can be reached at 770-499-3122.

Papp acknowledged that the initial communication to campus following the flooding was contradictory. This has been addressed and the process has been refined which should provide for improved communications going forward. Papp also extended

thanks to everyone involved in the recovery and restoration process, and noted that the University will recover as much money as possible from DOAS.

Moving to the next agenda item, Papp briefly described how Goal #6 was added to the Strategic Plan (see attachment). At a Cabinet Retreat in fall of 2008 it was decided that diversity should become a separate goal within the Strategic Plan. In fall of 2009 Dr. Jennifer Wade-Berg was hired as the university's first Chief Diversity Officer. Since that time, she has worked collaboratively across campus to formulate Goal #6. It has been widely circulated and feedback has been incorporated from the Faculty Senate, the Chairs Council, and the Cabinet. The final step in the process is acceptance by PPBAC. In response to a question about funding, Papp indicated that we would do the best we can under the current budget limitations. He confirmed that it will become an assessment area for SACS, and added that SACS understands the ramifications of the budget shortfall on an institution's ability to fund various initiatives. Once accepted by PPBAC, Goal #6 will become operative conceptually at that time. Wade-Berg noted that Action Step 1 will have the most immediate impact on campus, and several affinity groups have been developed leading to Step 2. Gwaltney would like to see "educational" removed from Step 5, point 2. With that revision, Goal #6 was accepted by PPBAC.

Ziegler expressed appreciation for the work of the Foundation, but noted that following last year's presentation, additional hard financial information was requested and none has been made available. While acknowledging that the Foundation does a wonderful job of supporting the campus, the faculty wants to see how the money is distributed.

Papp reported that when Chancellor Davis made his annual visit to campus earlier this week, he stated that KSU is on an "incredibly sharp upward trajectory," and encouraged us to keep pushing forward.

Chairman Gwaltney adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

The next meeting of PPBAC will be October 15 at 1:00 p.m. in BB 269.