Integrated Planning & Budget Process Task Force
May 27, 2009 Agenda
4:00PM President’s Conference Room

Agenda
1. Discussion on Strategic Implementation & Control
2. Roles and products of each committee or council - further discussion on attached changes - Revision date 5/21/09.
3. Work on initial draft of Tri-Chair roles and responsibilities

Next Time (4:00 PM, May 27th, President’s Conference Room)
1. Need to have the new draft completed by June 2 for constituent group review
2.
3.

Notes:
Integrated Planning & Budget Process Task Force

The Integrated Planning and Budgeting Process Task Force was convened to develop new planning and budgeting structures that lead to “sustainable quality improvement” in response to 2002 Standards of Accreditation as established by ACCJC. The Task Force, convened by the Office of Instruction and Institutional Research includes membership appointed by the Academic Senate, Classified Senate and Student Senate as well as the Vice President of Instruction and Institutional Research and the College Researcher. Prior to the convening of the Task Force, study sessions on the ACCJC rubric for Institutional Planning were held with stakeholder groups on campus.

The overarching goal of the Integrated Planning and Budgeting Processes Task Force is to propose an integrated and cyclical model that enables our college to more effectively use existing resources to drive our Strategic Plan and to support student learning. Our charge is to begin using new processes during the 09/10 Academic Year.

In order to develop such a proposal for such a system, we will rely on a set of Guiding Principles.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES used to develop proposal for Integrated Planning and Budgeting processes:

- Be driven by our mission and Strategic Planning goals.
- Be transparent, understandable and informed by data. The new integrated planning and budget process defines HOW decisions are made, but the process does not make the decisions. The college leadership makes budgeting decisions informed by collaborative and transparent campus input. College leadership is accountable for their decisions and will provide, in writing, explanations when they do not accept the recommendations of planning councils.
- Be an iterative, cyclical process, involving annual assessment and refinement to ensure that it effectively integrates planning and budgeting.
- Foster flexibility and innovation as well as accountability for divisions, departments and units. Ongoing assessment of the impact of expenditures will be a critical component of assuring accountability for results.
- Available resources will be aligned with college Strategic Planning priorities and to increase student learning. Our budget reflects our choices and reallocation or substitution of resources may occur to meet highest priority needs.
- Increase collaboration and efficiencies across the institution.
- Assume that these processes impact all funds.
- Budgeting should emphasize collaboratively developed division plans that are informed by detailed program plans and which are linked to Strategic Planning goals and action plans.

1 By transparent, we mean that the process is effectively communicated to the campus community so that there is broad knowledge and understanding of who makes budget decisions, when decisions are made and how decisions are made.
Integrated Planning & Budget Process Task Force
Proposed Membership Structures for Planning Committees & College Planning Council

Faculty appointments made by the Academic Senate
Classified appointments made by the Classified Senate
Student appointments made by Associated Students of Foothill College
Administrative appointments made by Cabinet

- We will generate a list of responsibilities of the tri-chairs. Tri-chairs will divide the responsibilities equally among themselves and communicate this system to their committee.

College Planning Council

Council Composition: 19 voting members and 13 ex-officio members

- Chairs (3):
  - College President (1)
  - Academic Senate President (1)
  - Classified Senate President (1)

- Members (16):
  - ASFC President (1)
  - ASFC Student Trustee (1)
  - ASFC Student Members (4)
  - Strategic Initiative/Operational Budget Planning Chairs
    - Classified (4)
    - Faculty (4)
    - Deans/Directors (4)

- Ex Officio Members must have a primary assignment at Foothill College (13):
  - ACE (1)
  - CSEA (1)
  - FA (1)
  - Teamsters (1)
  - Operating Engineers (1)
  - MSA (1)
  - College Researcher (1)
  - Cabinet (6)
College Planning Council Role

1. Oversees and drives institutional planning agendas for each academic year. Integrates and synthesizes planning calendars, planning and assessment of all college wide plans, including the Strategic Plan Commitments to action, Instructional/Student Services/Administrative Program Plans and Reviews as they relate to the Strategic Initiatives and to increasing student learning, ACCJC Recommendations, Accreditation Planning Agendas, Facilities Plans, Technology Plans, Student Equity Plans, and DSPS Plans.

2. Prioritizes expenditures to advance the Strategic Initiatives including resource requests for personnel, facilities, technology, and supplies.

3. Evaluates proposals for Fast Track to Innovation expenditures.

4. Approves the priorities for division budgets.

5. Develops policy regarding budget reduction.

6. Reviews College and District policies and develops procedures to implement policy.

7. Provides Accreditation Oversight.

8. Advises the President on issues regarding campus climate.

9. Advises the President on any other issues affecting the well-being of the College at large.

10. Evaluates instructional program discontinuance proposals.

11. Promotes awareness and understanding of Foothill College budgeting, FHDA district budget, and the state budget.

12. Evaluates proposed new instructional and student services programs against sustainability and compatibility with Foothill Strategic Initiatives.

College Planning Council Products

1. Strategic Plan Progress Reports.

2. Prioritized list of expenditures (personnel, equipment, technology, and supplies) to drive Strategic Initiatives and to improve student learning with accompanying rationale.

3. Strategic Initiative Expenditure Progress Reports against planned expenditures.

4. Accreditation Progress Reports.

5. Development of criteria and implementation of annual evaluation of the planning outcomes and process.

6. Development of policies and procedures recommendations.

7. Makes recommendations to President regarding budget reductions when required.

8. Makes recommendations regarding Program discontinuance when required.

9. Makes recommendation regarding proposed new instructional and student services programs.

10. Maintain communication with college community by keeping an updated website with agendas, handouts, and minutes.

11. Communicate via email and website the rationale behind decisions.
Strategic Initiatives Planning Committees

There will be the same number of Strategic Initiative Planning Committees as there are Strategic Initiatives and one Operational Planning Committee.

- To ensure broad participation - one individual can only participate on ONE of the small planning committees.
- To ensure open lines of communication - one faculty and one classified member must be a member of their executive senate.
- The ex officio Vice President member of the Operational Planning Committee will be the Vice President of Educational Resources and Instruction

Committee Composition: 6 voting members, 1 ex officio member
- **Chairs (3):**
  - Faculty (1)
  - Classified (1)
  - Dean/Director (1)
- **Members (3):**
  - Student (1)
  - Classified (1)
  - Faculty (1)
- **Ex Officio (1):** Vice President (1)

Strategic Initiative Planning Committee Role
1. Integrates, synthesizes, and prioritizes resource requests linked to a particular Strategic Initiative or to improve student learning.
2. Makes recommendations to College Planning Council regarding prioritization of resources advancing a particular Strategic Initiative.
3. Maintain communication with college community by keeping an updated website with agendas, handouts, and minutes.
4. Communicate via email and website the rationale behind decisions.

Strategic Initiative Planning Committee Products
1. Prioritized list of expenditures (personnel, equipment, technology, and supplies) to drive a particular Strategic Initiatives and to improve student learning with accompanying rationale.
2. Development of criteria for and implementation of the annual evaluation of the expenditures that advance the Strategic Initiatives.
3. Development of criteria and implementation of annual evaluation of the planning outcomes and process of their particular Strategic Initiative Planning Committee.
Operational Planning Committee

Operational Planning Committee Role
1. Recommends the process for the development of guidelines and calendar for preparation of budgets.
2. Reviews revenue projections for each upcoming Fiscal Year based on reported and estimated FTES allocations from the District.
3. Reviews division spending plans and makes recommendations to the CPC regarding division allocations.
4. Develops criteria for establishing division and unit operating budgets.
5. Prioritizes resource requests not aligned with Strategic Initiatives.

Operational Planning Committee Products
1. Recommendations to CPC regarding division and unit operation budgets.
2. Prioritized list of allocation recommendations not aligned with Strategic Initiatives.
4. Budget Development Timeline.
5. Maintain communication with college community by keeping an updated website with agendas, handouts, and minutes.
6. Communicate via email and website the rationale behind decisions.

Budget Alignment Advisory Group

Budget Alignment Advisory Group Description
This group is not a recommending or decision-making body. Its role is to provide a comprehensive analysis of the totality of available funds to support college activities. It provides information to the College Planning Council.

Budget Alignment Advisory Group Composition
Consists of any fiscal experts in the areas of accounting, budget, grants, and funding.

Budget Alignment Advisory Group Role
Recommends to the College Planning Council expenditure possibilities that align the priorities of the college to budgets and institutional planning using all available revenue streams
Research Advisory Group Description
This group is not a recommending or decision-making body. This group advises on the college-wide research agenda and supports the integration of information and data into planning and decision-making.

Research Advisory Group Composition
Consists of the College Researcher, Vice President of Instruction and Institutional Research and experts in the areas of institutional data, reporting, and planning.

Research Advisory Group Role
Coordinates and communicates information, data, and research on the function and performance of the college, its programs and its students. Supports information needs throughout the integrated planning and budget cycles.