Report of Faculty Budget Committee, Activities for 2004/05
June 20, 2005

Davis Baird, Philosophy, Chair

For the Committee:

Linda Allman, Continuing Education (Faculty Welfare Chair)
James Augustine, School of Medicine, (Faculty Senate Chair)
William Bearden, Moore School of Business (Faculty Advisory Past Chair)
Mark Becker, ex-officio, Provost;
Timir Datta, Physics and Astronomy (Faculty Advisory Chair)
Peter Graham, HRSM (Faculty Welfare, Past Chair)
Jamil Khan, Engineering
John McDermott, Moore School of Business;
Eugene Reeder, Pharmacy (Faculty Senate Chair-elect);

The Faculty Budget Committee met as a full committee twice (4/4/05; 4/25/05). In addition members of the Committee, singly or in pairs, attended seven of the 18 Deans Budget meetings (Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Environment, Honors College, Medicine, Public Health). In addition, Davis Baird and James Augustine attended the meetings of the Provost’s Budget Advisory Committee—formerly the VCM Committee.

The main work accomplished by the Faculty Budget Committee was to draft proposed language that provides a clear brief for the Committee:

This committee serves as a liaison between the University Administration and the University Faculty (through the Faculty Senate) on matters pertaining to the University budget, advocates the faculty perspective on matters of budget and budgetary policy, and provides a venue for discussing faculty questions and concerns about the University budget and budgeting process. To accomplish its purpose, the Faculty Budget Committee shall have input to University budget policy. The Chair of the Faculty Budget Committee and the Chair-elect shall serve as voting members on the University-level budget policy committee.

The Committee has recommended that this language be added to the Faculty Manual under its description of the Faculty Budget Committee. As there remains uncertainty about the existence, size and make-up of the University-level budget policy committee, the final sentence of this proposed addition to the Faculty Manual may need change or deletion. As of this writing, this change was being considered by the Faculty Advisory Committee.

Committee Changes: One member of the committee—Davis Baird (Philosophy)—rotates off the committee at the end of spring 2005. He will be replace by William Rivers (English). John McDermott, Moore School of Business, will take over as chair of the Committee.

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