

College Council  
23 August 2007

Members present: Bob Baldwin, Siv Serene Barnum, Sonya Christian, Jim Salt, Mary Spilde, Craig Taylor, Dan Timberlake

Unable to attend: Jim Bailey, Dan Dawson, Andrea Newton

Guest: Greg Morgan

June 14 notes were approved as revised. July 23 notes were approved.

#### Budget Development Calendar

The Budget Taskforce (CC budget subcommittee and others) will review a comprehensive financial planning framework. The framework uses tools including long-term goals, 'what if', communication, transparency, and enrollment management. The taskforce will finish its work by the end of September. The idea is to create a robust model that will serve the college over time, with input from the college community and continual review and revision. Spilde agreed to a written summary of the scope of work.

The council reviewed an administration proposal to revise the budget calendar, consolidating last year's 29 steps to 15 steps. The discussion led to several revisions and additions. The calendar now has 17 steps, to be reviewed at the next meeting.

The Budget Development Group would develop proposals to balance the FY09 budget by February 1. The members would represent faculty, classified staff, students, and administration. The outlook would be broader this year – across the college – with a focus on allocating resources to align with strategic priorities.

Unit planning would continue, but the purpose would be less to inform budget proposals and more toward continuous data-based program enhancement

There was some objection to approving a budget development calendar without definitions of the key elements. The calendar was not officially approved, but a timeline is necessary, the Board will begin this work in November, and the budget is the college's highest priority

Discussion will continue next week – Thursday 30 August 9-11am.

Meeting adjourned: 11:00 am  
Recorder: Mary Bolton