GSC Meeting- 02/20/2015

Attendance: Gerlowski, Jonson, Schnirel, Tull, Wooleyhand
Absent: Comitz

Agenda - Senate Reports, New Business

- Students
  - SGA – resolutions
  - Support for the Center for Educational Access
    - Appropriate furniture for offices, passed
    - Additional Staff and Long term staffing, sent to committee
  - Confirmed 8 of 10 new members
  - USMSC
    - Legislation on law students getting credits for representing students in judicial process
    - Lobby Day for USMSC
      - Sending several SGA representatives
  - Food Pantry Proposal
    - Waiting to hear about grant funding to develop plan

- Faculty
  - Executive Board Met
    - Lengthy conversation regarding senior leadership
    - Prior conversation lead an Executive Board meeting with President Schmoke
    - The Senate is mindful of the difference between management and governance
    - Catherine will be nominated to the Middle States Steer Committee
    - Admission standards proposal from Executive Board
      - Will be brought to and discussed in the March meeting
    - Draft of the Strategic Enrollment Plan
      - Deadline today
      - The GSC will request a copy from President
    - Empowered Special Task Force on Continuing Education
      - Provost, J.C. Weiss, Jose Anderson
      - March report

- Staff
  - StrengthsQuest presentation with mapping from Anthony Butler
  - Budget presentation from Barb Aughenbaugh and Harry Shuckel
    - Significant budget adjustments in the state create uncertainty. $600-800 million cuts might be passed on to educational system. 2% cut for UB.
    - Student- facing budgets will be given preference, instructional units protected as possible.
    - No furloughs required through end of fiscal year July 1. As of July 1, COLA might be rolled back and recent COLA treated as one-time bonus. COLA rollback is part of budget proposal.
• Capital budget: Langsdale Library project is deferred by one year (later opening for library).

  o Middle States
  ▪ Darlene Smith outlined the process

  o Pending Resolution
  ▪ Staff Awards (UB)

  o March Meeting Agenda
  ▪ Jacqueline Slahor - Wellness Plan
  ▪ Update from CUSS regarding Legislative Day

  o Budget Committee files were analyzed
  ▪ The Staff Senate has no further requests at this time.

• New Business
  o Survey of Senate Chairs
  ▪ Provided Dan Gerlowski with feedback on how to complete survey

  o Baltimore Sun Letter to Editor regarding tax on state employees
  ▪ Referring to the proposed 2% COLA rollback

Motion to adjourn – 2:45pm