BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE SUMMARY
January 27, 2012, Executive Conference Room

In attendance: Paul Adamo, Colleen Brannan, Howard Buchan, Laura Emmett, Evan Englander, Deborah Farro-Lynd, Lisa Flynn, Todd Foreman, Catherine LaFontaine, Daniel Payne, Michelle Luettger, Steve Perry, Steven; Julie Roseboom, and Thomas Sakoulas.

1. Metrics for measuring and assessing the College's:

   a. Overall financial condition
      - appropriation for the $300 tuition increase is included – would mean around $1.8m for us if approved in final budget
      - also included is $3.9m for bargaining unit increases – our estimated share: $140k
      - includes spending authority for previous tuition increases – i.e. return of the final share of the FY09/10 tuition "split" -- $420.7k
      - capital funds for res halls is limited to $45m "pay as you go" rather than the $355m in bond financed appropriations requested by SUNY
      - the TAP credit will continue so we should count on a hit of at least $800-$900k (i.e. double the FY11/12 “cost”);
      - there was no restoration of last year’s cuts to SUNY hospitals & if I recall correctly, SUNY used cash to help backstop these last year – there could be a u-wide impact depending on how this is dealt with this year

   b. Progress on strategic investments
      Todd Foreman distributed a handout entitled Measuring Campus Financial Condition, Performance, and Strategic Alignment of Resources and asked the group to select metrics for measuring and assessing the College. (See attached) Four were selected:
      - Campus reserves as percent of state support
      - Cash balance threshold
      - Instructional verses administrative FTE's
      - Possibly cost of attendance benchmarking against SUNY peers

   Associate Provost for Institutional Assessment and Effectiveness Patricia Francis joined the committee and recommended that metrics be chosen to demonstrate progress on the College Strategic Plan. She understands the process may be difficult, but it is necessary.

   c. Spending in areas of identified priories, etc.