

Members Present

Michael Camille, Carlos Fandal, Janet Haedicke (Chair), C. Turner Steckline, Robin Stephens, and Christine Strunk

Ex-officio Members Present

Dean Jeffery Cass, and Matthew James

Members and Ex-officio Members Absent

Michael Cappel, Stephen Fox, Paul Karlowitz, and James Reifinger

Minutes

- Dean Cass called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm in the A&S Conference Room.
- The Board of Regents announced that the budget cut for ULM will be \$12 million for the next 2 years. Arts and Sciences share will be \$2.3-2.7 million. The actual number will not be known until June 30, 2009.
- We are only allowed to consider cutting programs, not trimming personnel or programs. We were instructed “to cut programs that have high cost, but have few majors.”
- The pre-program cuts (including GAs, capital out lay, open lines, “Plus One” gains, sale of the farm, travel, operations) add up to approximately \$1.2 million.
- Certain programs will not be cut due to the amount of service courses: English, History, and Mathematics, and Music.
- Biology has 361 majors. It should be safe.
- There was a discussion about Pre-X majors (such as Pre-Social Work) and Education Majors counting toward major count per department.
- Programs that may be considered for cutting:
 - Agriculture
 - Keeping 1 tenured professor to teach Agri-Business.
 - Chemistry
 - Transitioning to 5 instructors for service courses.
 - Family & Consumer Sciences
 - Keeping the Child Development Center and Emily Williamson.
 - Philosophy
 - Military Science
 - An English instructor
 - The Latin instructor
 - 5 Math Instructors (if the cuts are \$2.7 million instead of \$2.3 million)
- The listed cuts will affect 6 tenured professors.
- At 4:40 pm, Dean Cass adjourned the meeting.