Academic Affairs Budget Committee November 29, 2016

Summary and Action Items

The Academic Affairs Budget Committee agreed on the priorities listed below for the Division of Academic Affairs.

- Do not terminate full time Academic Affairs employees for budget reasons.
- Replace current empty faculty and staff positions.
- Give at least a 3% merit pay increase to faculty and staff. A comparable salary adjustment will also be given to all Method Funded graduate assistant positions.
- Add new tenure-track, or tenured faculty, or graduate instructional assistants, or graduate teaching assistants to meet enrollment growth and in response to strategic needs.
- Add net new staff positions to address enrollment growth and strategic needs.
- Provide additional funds for limited equity salary adjustments. These funds would be over and above the merit pool.
- Add support for graduate students including increases in scholarships and/or tuition fellowships.

Council of Academic Deans November 29, 2016

Summary and Action Items

- Translational Health Research Initiative: Dr. Walt Horton and Dr. Melinda Villagran provided the Council with an overview of the Health Scholar Showcase to be held on February 10, 2017.
- **High Quality Faculty Awards**: Dr. Cynthia Opheim provided the Council with a handout regarding the NRUF Criteria regarding High Quality Faculty. She asked that the deans share this information with their department chairs/school directors.
- Undergraduate Admissions Report: Mr. Gary Ray provided the Council with the undergraduate admissions report.
- **Graduate Admissions Report**: Dr. Andrea Golato provided the Council with the graduate admissions report.