

REPORT TO BUDGET COUNCIL

The Budget Ad Hoc Committee met and read through all of the budget reduction ideas from faculty and staff. We divided the ideas into three categories:

- Suggestions for future projects that would develop new revenues
- Suggestions that could be started now
- Suggestions that were not feasible

Our recommendations are as follows:

Immediate Reductions

- Running several sections of the most profitable courses this summer and using adjuncts to teach the extra sections (\$3,000 to adjuncts with \$12,000 in tuition from 40 students)
- Cut out all copy and use blackboard, the library reserve and online links to articles or have copies made commercially for students to purchase.
- Start this summer with continuing education life long learning courses for the community such as courses in the arts, language, different training courses etc. Many ideas could be borrowed from the Continuing Ed Program in Tampa.
- Mandatory all lights off when classroom and offices are not in use.
- Rental to the community of the downstairs of the Williams House and possibly out side areas.
- Have all orders for supplies done at a central office where items can be ordered cheaper by bulk.
- Provide remote locations for food purchase by the campus food service providers.
- Use USFSP State vehicles for trips to Tampa
- Do away temporarily with all travel reimbursement
- Lobby the USF System to reduce the amount of charge backs to USF Tampa(many are not requests from us but are done for all campuses as a regular service through the system)
- Each college reviews class size and consolidates sections

- Stop the tenure clock for tenure earning faculty for a year so they might teach full time.

Future Reductions to Develop New Revenue

- Several suggestions that would be the job of a Development Officer such as a campaign directed at Florida residents asking for contributions similar to a capitol campaign. We are important to the citizens of our state so go to the public instead of always depending on our legislators. Set up a unit within USFSP which is in charge of all activities related to generating revenue by providing services to the local community etc.
- Shifting to native plants in our landscaping. Several suggestions on creative ways to achieve this to make our campus an example of low maintenance and environmentally sound .The positive press from this action might have many external benefits.
- Install and use sensor switches campus wide
- Enroll more international students
- Holiday closure between Christmas and the Spring semester
- Implement an all campus recycling program
- Senior citizens summer program using the residence hall
- Education program in the summer for high school juniors having them stay in the residence hall
- Increase the number of graduate level courses
- Add a \$5.00 charge per student that would raise funding for the public safety department.

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