

CLAS Finance Committee Minutes

Friday October 16, 2020

1:55pm – 2:45pm

Present:

Committee Chair Eric Potsdam, Shifra Armon, Tarek Saab, Christine Overdevest, Gillian Lord, Jon Martin, John Palmer, Catherine Tucker, Student Representative Fahad Qazi, Associate Dean Chris McCarty

1. Approval of Minutes from September 22, 2020 meeting

Minutes were approved.

2. CLAS Budget Presentation

At the invitation of the Finance Committee, Associate Dean Chris McCarty delivered an overview of current and projected CLAS budgets and COVID-related impacts. The presentation indicated that:

- A. Statistical analysis of anticipated enrollment, UF income streams and State sources, leads to the conclusion that CLAS budget shortfalls are probable.
- B. The extent to which UF will offset these impacts with reserve funds remains unknown.
- C. UF's interpretation of the Florida State mandates to increase face-to-face teaching in spring 2021 has placed additional demands on Chairs and Directors, as well as on faculty seeking to apply for exemptions or leaves. The Dean will delay requesting OPS budget requests from Chairs/Directors given their preoccupation with Spring 2021 scheduling.

3. Action Item

At the November 17 meeting, the CLAS Finance Committee will review the data that we currently have related to the OPS budget survey.

Respectfully submitted,

Shifra Armon