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Budget Task Force Asks For Funding 'Rationales'

USF's Task Force on 1975-76 budget plans last week asked for rationales developed in proposed funding allocations at the "departmental, program and unit" levels when the colleges submit their contingency plans for next year.

Task Force members requested Vice President for Academic Affairs Carl Riggs also to ask the college deans to include 1974-75 departmental, program and unit allocations.

In other matters, the Task Force:
- Asked Jim Dickinson, vice chairperson, to request Joe Carter, assistant vice president for academic affairs, to meet with the Task Force and clarify the 22.5 man-year reserve proposed in 1975-76 contingency plans.
- Heard Vice President for Finance and Planning Albert Hartley review plans for a $400,000 non-college reserve for "emergency-type" needs. One example he cited was the possible need to provide custodial service for new facilities coming on line in the event special funding is not covered in the University's allocation from the Board of Regents. During a question-and-answer period, Hartley told the group he is "optimistic" about the possibility of greater budget flexibility for both the BOR and the individual universities next year.
- Accepted the preliminary report of the Task Force subcommittee studying "other budgetary areas." Committee Chairperson Dickinson said the group plans to cover these areas: non E&G areas, including administration, student affairs and finance and planning; deans' and directors' recommendations for handling non-salary monies in their areas; OPS; expense; OCO; overhead from grants and matching monies in research and development projects; agency monies (eg. Florida Center for the Arts); Activity and Service Fee monies; USF Foundation, and receipts from admissions to USF events.

Next meeting of the Task Force is today (Friday) at 5:30 p.m. in ADM 222.

BIS 'Home Degree' Program Subject of Campus Session

How a student can earn a degree at home by studying at his own convenience will be the subject of a special campus day for USF's Bachelor of Independent Studies Program (BIS), Apr. 12 at the University Center.

Program director Dr. Kevin Kearney said campus day will serve as an orientation program for prospective students as well as a counseling and advising session for students already enrolled.

An overall look at BIS will take place at 9 a.m., then a description of the curriculum at 10:15 a.m., followed by a question and answer session.

An adult degree program, BIS gives students an opportunity to earn a degree through independent study with only nine weeks required seminar attendance on campus.

...from the BOR

The Florida Board of Regents took the following actions of interest to USF faculty and staff at its April 7 meeting in Tallahassee:
- Approval of a master plan for 23 SUS "programs of distinction," including three at USF: urban community psychology and gerontology (already in operation); urban water resources; and urban anthropology. The plan will be subject to annual review and substitutions may be made in the future by the universities with BOR approval.
- Consideration of several proposals to increase summer school enrollment (in response to a presumed legislative "mandate") and referral of the matter to the Council of Presidents for a recommendation at the May BOR meeting.
- Receipt of a report on "under-productive academic programs" in the SUS (1971-74), now totaling 113 (9 doctoral, 36 master's and 68 bachelor's degree programs)--three of which are so listed for the third consecutive year (including the master's program in microbiology at USF) and, therefore, will be the subject of "in-depth" BOR studies. A total of 17 USF programs (9 undergraduate and 8 graduate) are now on the "unproductive" list for the 1971-74 period.*
- Expression of appreciation to President Mackey and USF for moving so swiftly under difficult circumstances to offer courses on the New College site beginning Mar. 31. (It was noted that the New College "closing" occurred on Apr. 1.)
- Approval of "policy guidelines" (which were not distributed) for preparation of 76-77 legislative budget request and direction to the Chancellor to prepare, with appropriate consultation, an SUS "rule" proposal to establish a process for determining "financial exigency."
- Approval of a rule requiring the formal evaluation of SUS presidents and the Chancellor before the end of their first five years of appointment and establishment of a three-man committee to begin reviewing the performance of presidents who have been in office the requisite period of time.
- Consideration of a "freeze" on granting tenure to additional SUS faculty members this year but eventual approval of FTU, FAU and FIU tenure recommendations.
- The entire matter of tenure was also referred to the BOR personnel committee for further study in light of current budgetary stringencies.
- Receipt of a legislative report from Chancellor Designate E.T. York, who expressed "some degree of optimism" regarding aspects of BOR legislative program and March revenue data indicating that the bottom may have been reached in the State's economic downturn. He expressed hope that the recent proposal for a revision of the State sales tax collection mechanism may enable the Legislature to fund some salary increases in 1975-76 and said again that authorization of administrative flexibility appears increasingly likely.

*On reserve, Special Collections, USF Library.


**Official**

*Faculty and staff are reminded that books with the due date Apr. 1 (books checked out before Mar. 1), are to be returned or renewed. Books not returned will be assumed lost and the borrower will be billed for the replacement costs.

*Vacant Positions at USF:

**Staff**

- Sec. II (4-18-75, med., St. Pete Campus), $6264;
- Clerk-Typist II (4-11-75, ext. Lib., St. Pete Campus), $5533;
- Clerk-Typist II (4-11-75, aux. serv., -3), $5826;
- Keypunch Opr. (4-4-75, med., 50%), $3028;
- Sales Clerk (4-11-75, aux. serv.), $5116; Custodial Worker (4-18-75, stu. aff., univ. ctr.-2), $5199.

**Faculties/Administrative**

- Univ. Physician (4-23-75, stu. health serv.), $18,204-28,300;
- Lecturer, 4-14-75, oceanography--Col. of Natural Sciences, Prof., negotiable, medical surgical or community mental health; Asst. Prof., negotiable, maternal child health--Col. of Nursing.
- Require testing. No position listed above may be filled before the Intercom's printing schedule, positions re-advertised may have been filled prior to the date of this issue. Interested persons should contact Personnel Services, FAO 011 (974-2530), or "Job Line" (974-2879) for the latest information.
- Vacant positions of all State universities are posted weekly at locations throughout the campus, and Co-op and Placement Office. The deadline for submitting USF vacancies to Personnel Services is noon Wednesday. The University of South Florida is an affirmative action Equal Opportunity Employer.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Faculty and Staff members enrolled in either of the two group health insurance programs are reminded to contact Personnel Services at least one month prior to their 65th birthday so they can be transferred to the Medicare supplement plan. This same procedure applies to the dependent spouse of an enrolled member.

*In order to provide assistance to employees who may encounter problems with Blue Cross and Blue Shield in conjunction with the State Sponsored Health Insurance Plan, a "Claim Information Request" form has been developed by the administrators of the Employee Insurance Program. This form is completed and forwarded to the State Employee Insurance Program in Tallahassee. They will determine the current status and problems surrounding an employee's claim. Employees wishing to submit a "Claim Information Request" form should contact Personnel Service, FAO 011.

*Envelopes

- *See. II (4-18-75, med., St. Pete Campus), $6264;
- *Clerk-Typist II (4-11-75, ext. Lib., St. Pete Campus), $5533;
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**York Notes in 'Legislative Report':**

**More Budget Flexibility May Be Forthcoming**

Chancellor-Designate E.T. York's "Legislative Report" last week noted increasing legislative support for greater budget flexibility for the SUS next year.

He said the Senate Ways and Means Subcommittee on Educational Appropriations "appears to favor recommending a lump sum appropriate for the Education and General Function."

In other matters, he reported these proposed bills involving employee benefits:

- S.B. 177, which provides for longevity pay increases for Career Service personnel at the top of their pay grades.
- H.B. 384, which would eliminate geographic pay differential rates for Career Service employees and would grandfather in those persons already receiving such rates as of June 30, 1975.
- S.B. 45, which would extend from Nov. 30, 1974 to Nov. 30, 1975 the deadline for persons under the Teacher Retirement System and other retirement systems to transfer to the Florida Retirement System.

**Welcome, New Faculty, Staff**

INTERCOM wishes a sincere "welcome" to the following new employees whose names have been supplied by Personnel Services.


**Scholarship Fund Honors Arzybushevs**

The Arts and Letters Student Council is accepting donations for an academic merit scholarship to be named in honor of Militza and Peter Arzybushevs, USF modern language faculty members who were killed last year in an automobile accident.

Approximately $400 has been collected thus far, according to the Student Council. Anyone wishing to make a donation should make out a check to "Arzybushevs Memorial Scholarship Fund" and send it to LET 146, c/o Arts and Letters Student Council.
Friday, April 11th
Continuing Education Registration
Film Art Series: ENA, "All the King's Men," 7 p.m.; "Holiday," 8:45 p.m.; "Platinum Blonde," 10:30 p.m.; "The Wild One," 12:10 a.m.; "The Wrong Box," 1:30 a.m.

Faculty Recital Series: James Ryon, oboe, Jerald Reynolds, baritone, Annette Monroe, soprano, FAH 101, 6:30 p.m.
Theatre Dept.: "The Importance of Being Earnest," TAR, 8:30 p.m.
Physics Colloquium: N. R. Oleson, "Recent Plasma Physics Research in Physics Dept.," PHY 141, 2 p.m.
UC Krazy Keg Contest: Empty Keg N., 2 p.m.
UC Slappy Hour: Empty Keg N., 3-5 p.m.
UC/GSP Film: "Midnight Cowboy," LET 103, 7:30 & 10 p.m.
Artists Series: Murray Louis Dance Co., TAT, 8:30 p.m.
Head Theatre: "Dynamite Chicken," LET 103, midnight.

Saturday, April 12th
Women's Softball: USF Invitational, USF, 9 a.m.
Phi Delta Theta Derby: USF field, all day
UC/GSP Film: "Midnight Cowboy," LET 103, 7:30 & 10 p.m.
Artists Series: Murray Louis Dance Co., TAT, 2 p.m. & 8:30 p.m.
Head Theatre: "Dynamite Chicken," LET 103, midnight.
Theatre Dept.: "The Importance of Being Earnest," TAR, 8:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 13th
UC Acoustics Jam: Empty Keg N., 2 p.m.
Film Art Series: EMA, "Raisin in the Sun," 4 p.m.; "Beat the Devil," 6:20 p.m.; "Mr. Deeds Goes to Town," 7:45 p.m.; "On the Waterfront," 9:45 p.m.

Monday, April 14th
Speech Dept.: Focus Debate, UC Ballroom, 7:30 p.m.
CAUSE Benefit: Feldman-Hanger Revue, LET 103, 8 p.m.
Marine Science Lecture: David R. Young, "Heavy Metals & Synthetic Organic Chemicals in the Southern California Bight," USFSCC, Building A, Rm. 2238, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, April 15th
CAUSE Benefit: Feldman-Hanger Revue, LET 103, 8 p.m.
Women's Softball: USF vs. Univ. of Tampa, USF, 5 p.m.
Baseball: USF vs. Rollins, USF, 3:30 p.m.
Workshop: Opportunity for Minorities, UC 252, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 16th
STEP Street Dance: Crescent Hill, 9 p.m.
Speech Dept.: Student Reading Hour, LET 103, 2 p.m.
Film Art Series: LET 103, "It Happened One Night," 7:30 p.m.; "Macbeth," 9:30 p.m.
Biology Seminar: Mr. Nathaniel Eisenman, "The Marine Algae of Point O'Rocks, Florida West Coast," LIF 266, 8 p.m.

Thursday, April 17th
UC Point of View Program: Kathy Freeperson, "Abortion," UC 252, 2 p.m.
Chemistry Seminar: Dr. David Hessinger, "Effects of Hematocysts Vernom Proteins on Biological Membranes," CHE 305, 4 p.m.
Tennis: USF vs. Pepperdine College, USF, 2 p.m.
Film Art Series: LET 103, "Bridge on the River Kwai," 8 p.m.

Friday, April 18th
UC/GSP Film: "Cinderella Liberty," LET 103, 7:30 & 10 p.m.
Head Theatre: "Sympathy for the Devil," LET 103, midnight.
Recital: Frances Porter, soprano, FAH 101, 2 p.m.

Faculty/Staff Drive Nets Over $4,500; Riggs Thanks Supporters for Efforts

More than $4,500 has been contributed by 180 members of the USF faculty and staff to the 1975 Faculty/Staff Fund, according to Fund Drive Chairman Jim Ray. The amount more than doubles the 1974 total of $1,796 - and almost doubles the 1975 goal of $2,500.

At a special luncheon on Wednesday, Dr. Ray and members of the Fund Drive Committee were thanked by Vice President Carl Riggs for the unprecedented success of their efforts. He expressed the gratitude of the University for their demonstration of support - and that of their colleagues - for academic excellence at USF at a time when State support is being reduced.

Dr. Ray announced at the luncheon that final figures may bring the 1975 total close to $5,000 and that Physical Plant led all non-college units in total number of contributors (38). The College of Business, with more than 30 contributors, led the college division. He also noted that all contributors were being recognized through the "University Circle." Nine scholarships will be funded with proceeds from the 1975 Fund Drive - one for each college. Recipients will be selected during the next few weeks.

"I am extremely pleased that so many of our faculty and staff were able and willing to give so much to support academic excellence at the University this year," Dr. Ray said. "On behalf of the nine student-scholars who will benefit from their generosity, I want to express my personal appreciation to the University Community for this demonstration of commitment to academic excellence at USF," he added.

Carrington Heads Personnel Services

Roland Carrington has been appointed Acting Director of Personnel Services, Vice President for Administration Kenneth W. Thompson announced Monday.

Carrington replaces John Weichering, who accepted the position of Personnel Director of the University of Colorado at Boulder.

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