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Chancellor's Boardroom

Presentation

BOT-2 State Budget and Enrollment Update

Background Information

2019-20 FY: On June 28, 2019, Governor Cooper vetoed the \$24 billion state budget. Since that time, the General Assembly has been carving out pieces of the budget and sending “mini-budgets” to the Governor.

The proposed state budget legislation included funding for critical salary increases, much-needed repair and renovation projects, and \$84 million for the expansion and modernization of the Jackson library. However, the proposed state budget did not include critical operating funds for the new Nursing and Instructional Building, requiring the University to develop a “carryforward” strategy targeted at \$4.6 million in order to bring this important building online later this calendar year. At this time, we have identified approximately 75% of this goal. The University also faced an under-realization of tuition revenue this year due to a decline in student credit hours (SCH). Adjustments for this reduction are part of our year-end/carryforward strategy.

2020-21 FY: An approved state budget is critical to addressing the unfunded needs outlined above. The Board of Governors are considering a request to be forwarded to the legislature for the coming short session. The current COVID-19 crisis will likely be included in this request and impact budgetary considerations when the General Assembly reconvenes on April 28, 2020.

Following several years of strong enrollment and student credit hour growth, student credit hour production has fallen .4% percent. Based on this decline, UNCG will experience an anticipated reduction for the FY 20-21 budget of \$4.4 million in enrollment funding. This reduction has been allocated proportionately across university divisions. Division heads are now working to distribute budget cuts within their divisions strategically with investments related to future credit hour production a top priority.

Anticipating declines in the population of high school graduates and an associated enrollment impact, UNCG has been working to further diversify the student population, with recruitment strategies focused on "nontraditional" students – transfer students, adult learners, and online students. In addition, plans are being put in place to modify recruitment strategies as a result of the COVID-19 disruption.

Interim Vice Chancellor Charles Leffler and Provost Dunn will give an update on the current and projected impact of the budget impasse and enrollment projections for UNCG.



Dana Dunn, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor



Charles Leffler, Interim Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration