Minutes: Senate Budget Committee
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Mathematics Ph.D. Program:
The following items were discussed.

- Enrollments in Table A need to be changed to include only fall admissions
- Why do we want or need a Ph.D. in the Lowcountry?
  o Small, supported by industry, females in area would like to stay here and get degree, and it is in our Mission statement to respond to the local community.
  o High quality and research interests of the faculty.
  o Good research profile of faculty
- No tuition waiver for in-state students.
- GA’s will teach one course each semester to allow professors to mentor Ph.D. students and teach graduate courses
- TA’s will “back-fill” the level 100 courses by teaching them.
- Estimated that there will be 2 full-time and 6 part-time students in the program each year.
- There will be a one-time fee paid to SACSCOC for the establishment of a Ph.D. program, but this will be covered by Academic Affairs.

The vote by the Budget committee was 6-0 in favor of the Mathematics Ph.D. program.

Other discussion Items

1) Excel spreadsheet shared by IRP will be shared with Budget committee to look over for our next meeting. This represents programs established in the past 10 years, number of students in the programs, and the cost associated with each program/major.
   a. We will use this report to dig deeper into how viable programs have been over the years.
   b. Then we will compare these numbers to the proposed numbers given in the proposals for these programs to establish how accurate predictions have been for new programs/majors.
2) Chair will send out an email to the Deans of Business and Science and Mathematics to and ask for a break down as to how the money from the extra fees have been used internally in the respective schools.
3) We will talk about Adjunct pay at the next meeting. It is our intent to justify raising the pay of the Adjuncts and/or switching them to more permanent positions such as an instructor.
4) The committee still wants to invite the Dean’s to report on the “health” of their Schools. Invitation will go out once Brian McGee has determined his schedule for the Deans’ budget requests.