

229 Council - Administrative Council for Extension and Experiment Station Research

Friday, March 3, 2017, 1:00PM-2:00PM

130 Burruss Hall Conference Room

Present: Martin Daniel, Saied Mostaghimi, Alan Grant, Bob Broyden, Guru Ghosh, Tim Hodge, Theresa Mayer, Thanassis Rikakis, Ken Smith, Cyril Clarke, Paul Winistorfer

Agenda Items:

1. Welcome and Introductions (Thanassis Rikakis)
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes Approval of Minutes from November 4, 2016 (Ken Smith)
 - a. Minutes from the last council meeting were provided and approved.
3. 229 Budget (Tim Hodge)
 - a. Tim reviewed next year's 229 budget. Faculty and Staff compensations were made a priority with an increase of two percent and three percent respectively.
 - b. There was a five percent reduction in the 208 E&G budget and although the Agency 229 budget did not receive a specific decrease in funding, there is an underfunded salary shortfall. The plan to accommodate for this shortfall is under discussion.
4. Updates
 - a. Alan Grant discussed changes to the Virginia Cooperative Extension leadership team. The changes will better align leadership and program teams.
 - b. Saied Mostaghimi provided an update on the land acquisition and use in the Tidewater region. Two parcels of land were leased however, more land is needed on the Eastern Shore.
 - c. Saied and Alan discussed processes related to fringe benefits. Saied proposed utilizing one-time savings from the Virginia Retirement System Prepayment for strategic investments. The deans will provide input for how to utilize the funds to meet their collective needs.
 - d. The Provost noted the importance of Agency 229 to economic development. Guru Ghosh to gather working group to coordinate economic development efforts.
5. Deans – There were no updates from the Deans due to time constraints.
6. Other Business – There was no additional business.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.