ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE SENATE COMMITTEE

REPORT 2018-2019

The committee met three (3) times this academic year:

MEETING ONE (1): Our introductory meeting was called for setting our agenda for the year. The concerns that emerged from our discussion were as follows:

- a.) How are funds allocated among and between Schools/Programs?
- b.) What is Stockton University's current budget?
- c.) What is flat funding and what is its impact?

MEETING TWO (2): The committee met with VP Jennifer Potter and VP Michael Angulo to review the Stockton University Budget and to seek answers to the above questions.

Attached please find the presentations submitted to the committee by Ms. Potter and Mr. Angulo.

The committee expressed concern about the perceived disparity among and between state colleges/universities. The committee noted that Stockton appeared to receive relatively lesser funding and inquired as to ways in which the faculty could assist in this matter.

MEETING THREE (3): The Committee met with Provost Vermeulen who was asked to respond to the following questions (in addition to the ones mentioned above):

- a.) Was the number of enrolled students taken into consideration in decided allocation of funds between schools/programs?
- b.) Was the number of enrolled students a consideration in whether to fill faculty positions left vacant by retirement?

Provost Vermeulen responded to the above questions with an explanation of the implementation of the Truth in Budgeting policy.

It was noted by the Committee that Programs/Schools did not use all monies allocated to them and that these (left on the table monies) should be reallocated to other programs/schools.

FUTURE MEETINGS:

An online committee discussion was conducted regarding the recent Stockton University decision regarding the "swap" of Carnegie Center for AC Boathouse. Both Provost/VP Vermeulen and VP Angulo participated in the conversation. After further clarification regarding the particulars of this transaction the Committee has requested that our Fall agenda include:

- a.) Discussion of shared governance vis a vis Stockton's real estate transactions;
- b.) Discussion of how space is allocated for grant recipients;
- c.) Meeting with Grants Office to review:

- i. Application processes
- ii. Availability of both internal and external grants (number/kind)
- iii. How are these distributed among faculty/programs.

Respectfully submitted,

Arleen C. Gonzalez, Chair