Senate Budget & Planning Council Minutes for November 1, 2011 Library Reference Conference Room

Members present: S. Godar, B. McClosky, D. Potacco, P. Theus, H. Wilder, D. Koistinen, S. Ferris, S. Bolyai (administrative rep), Members excused: D. Miller

Meeting convened: 3:40 pm

- 1. Minutes from Oct. 4th meeting were approved.
- 2. S. Bolyai reported that the state is now reviewing the parking garage RFP. Once it is approved, WPU will look for a private/public partnership possibility to help fund it.
- 3. It was decided that the Town Hall Meeting, originally scheduled with Nov. 17th as a possibility would be better served if scheduled for after the next release of the Strategic Plan draft, which is anticipated to happen the first week in December. We are now looking at December 13th as a possible date. S. Godar and S. Bolyai will make inquiries to crucial stakeholders to see if that works. The meeting will again be open to students, faculty, staff and other campus stakeholders.
- 4. In terms of what the Town Hall Meeting should cover: S. Bolyai will first give a quick update on the current budget, ongoing capital projects and on the automated system that they are putting in place to collect input from the departments in January. The overarching questions for the audience to think about will be: *What are the budget priorities and considerations that your department may require based on the Strategic Plan (recognizing that it is still in draft format, but not likely to drastically change)? What budgetary resources would your department need in order to implement the Strategic Plan goals, in the short-term and in the long-term (remembering that this is a 10-year plan)?*

The next meeting is set for Tuesday, Dec. 6th at 3:30-4:30 in the Amy Job Curriculum room in the Library.

Meeting adjourned: 4:45 pm

H. Wilder, Minute taker