

Resolution On Budget Planning Council Recommendation Concerning Budget Assumptions

Executive Committee\*

March 15, 2010

Defeated 3/15/2010

**Whereas** the process for recommendations regarding the FY11 University budget are entering their final stages; and

**Whereas** feedback from the campus community on the February 15 budget recommendations has identified the need to better protect the academic mission of teaching, research, and creative activity; and

**Whereas**, in light of that priority, feedback has also provided mixed messages about the willingness of faculty and staff to recommend a 2% raise pool as part of the budget; and

**Whereas**, on March 12, Budget Planning Council debated a motion to recommend reducing the raise pool for all university employees from 2% to 1% with the understanding that the estimated \$1.6 million in savings would be used to protect instructional resources (group II, III and IV faculty (approximately \$1 million)) and provide need-based Ohio College Opportunity Grant replacement scholarship funding (approximately \$.6 million); and

**Whereas** the vote on this motion was 7 in favor, 0 opposed, and 7 abstentions; and

**Whereas** the Faculty Senate resolution on Current Priorities approved on November 16, 2009 identified both faculty compensation and the maintenance and enhancement of tenure-track and continuing faculty as “central to the vitality and success of the University”;

**Be it resolved** that the Ohio University Faculty Senate endorses the recommendation for a reduction in the raise pool from 2% to 1% with the savings to be used for the activities detailed above.

\*This resolution is presented by the Executive Committee without an endorsement for or against.