**Planning & Finance Committee Meeting**

**6PM January 22, 2020**

**Spotlight Room Bone Student Center**

**Minutes**

* **Roll call:** 
  + Present: Palmer, Mainieri, Noel-Elkins, Elkins, Wall, Meyers, Lucey, Ferrence, Hendrix, Jones, Bates, Robinson, Avogo, Torry
  + Absent: Vickers
* **Meeting called to order:** 6:02 p.m.
* Continued discussion of priority brief: Enabling more students to enter desired majors
* Panel discussion with advisors on priority brief:
  + Guests
    - Brian Aitken, Coordinator, University College
    - Megan Baxter, Academic Advisor, Special Education
    - Brenton Kane, Academic Advisor, College of Business
    - Mindy Kinney, Academic Advisor & Coordinator of Academic Services, School of Kinesiology and Recreation
    - Julie Paska, Athletics Academic Advisor & Senior Advising Specialist, University College
    - Clint Smith, Academic Advisor, Department of Family and Consumer Sciences
  + Initial discussion questions
    - What are the primary barriers that arise that prevent students from entering their desired major?
    - Are there certain majors that are more often turning away students? That tend to have high attrition rates?
    - Once a student is not accepted into their first choice major, what is the process they experience to help them identify their next choice?
    - Are certain types of students impacted more than others in terms of accessing the majors they want?
    - From your experience, how informed do you feel like students are about majors and their potential career paths prior to making a decision on a major?  What strategies would you see as potentially successful to help inform students about majors and potential career paths so they can identify their ‘right fit’ effectively and efficiently?
    - What strategies would you see as potentially successful in enabling more students to enter their desired majors, particularly those majors with high demand?
* Short committee member debrief of discussion
* **Meeting adjourned:** 6:57 p.m.