**Senate Bill 415**

**Reestablishment of Budget and Planning Committee and Establishment of University and College Fee Committees**

**WHEREAS** fiscal transparency is critical for a public higher-education institution,

**WHEREAS** the majority of funding at the University of Alabama in Huntsville is from tuition and fees charged to students,

**WHEREAS** faculty are a primary interface between the University and the students,

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, that the President of the University reestablish the Budget and Planning Committee,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Budget and Planning Committee be a committee, via the definition of a committee in the Faculty Handbook, and that the Chair of the Faculty Senate Finance Committee and either the President-Elect or the President of the Faculty Senate be members of the Budget and Planning Committee,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Budget and Planning Committee meet at least twice during each Academic Year Semester, and at least once during the Summer Term,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the President of the University establish a separate University Fee Committee. This committee will be charged with developing plans and implementations for the use of the Building Fees, Safety and Security Fee, Technology Fee, Instructional Facilities, and other fees the committee considers appropriate. The fees for consideration of this committee include those currently or traditionally charged as a part of Tuition and Fees, whether they are currently named or not. Membership on this committee will include a member of the Faculty Senate Finance Committee, and other University-wide faculty necessary to establish a committee,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the President of the University establish separate College Fee Committees. These committees will be charged with developing plans and implementations for the use of College Specific Fees. Membership on this committee will include a member of the Faculty Senate Finance Committee, and other College-wide faculty necessary to establish a committee.