

Budget Council Minutes
October 13, 2008
1:30 PM, 202 Tigert Hall

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM

Attendees:

David Quillen
Pradeep Kumar
James Klausner
Lynn Frazier
Matt Fajack
Naomi Young
Ed Poppell
Kathy Price

- 1) The minutes of the September 15 meeting were approved.
- 2) The council discussed tasks underway
 - a. Report on shared governance on budgeting by unit
 - i. Review draft of letter to send to deans
 - ii. Add line to ask if have faculty have been presented with an opportunity to participate
 - iii. Follow up to that question- if they do not want to participate why not?
 - b. The council reviewed the “principles” document and suggested the following changes before submitting the report to Dr. Machen.
 - i. Remove point 4.
 - ii. Most important not make university mediocre across the board.
 - iii. Six should come first.
 - iv. Five should be subcategory of 1.
 - v. Clarify that we’re trying to seek excellence where we can.
 - vi. David Quillen will make revisions and send the document to the President.
 - vii. David Quillen will present to the Senate at the November meeting and ask for feedback.
 - viii. Remove line acquiring future debt
- 3) RCM
 - a. Matt Fajack reviewed the results of the Ohio State RCM site visit.
 - b. The committee discussed encouraging quality at Ohio State. They allocate strategic funds by utilizing metrics to encourage quality through review process which is mostly non monetary.
 - c. Two difficulties- historically programs funded differently the more expensive programs to fund have been higher division classes.
 - d. The University will calculate what our own internal costs are and compare taxonomy to other universities.
 - e. When the RCM presentation is made to the Senate Matt Fajack will explain why RCM is not the Florida bank. The council hopes to bring the information to the Senate in January. The presentation should also include how we maintain quality in our programs and how do you check between maintaining quality vs. revenue generation.

- f. The council raised concern about taxation levels and whether deans or chairs will get some of the discretionary funds to incentivize within units.
 - g. The process also needs to have a way to make changes going forward.
- 4) UFIC funding
- a. Lynn Frazier discussed UFIC functions.
 - b. Study abroad programs are done either by semester or short term programs such as ones held during spring break and between the end of spring and the beginning of summer A. Students can earn 1-2 credits, possibly 3 by taking a study abroad course or the program can be part of existing ongoing course on campus.
 - c. UF programs are sponsored by UF and taught by UF faculty there are also non UF courses taught in study abroad.
 - d. Study abroad is self funded.
 - e. Exchange balances are intended to be reciprocal. The exchange is that we send students out and receive the same number of students from the exchanging university.
 - f. The budget is set based on a break even number.
 - g. The International Center offers scholarships for programs that make money.
 - h. The center uses a self funded model. Any money generated from exchange programs are used for awards such as International Educator Awards and the Internationalizing the Curriculum awards, photo contests, risk management, and travel and health insurance.
 - i. No college funds go into the International Center
 - j. The University has two research centers- Paris and Beijing. Paris is operated out of CLAS.
 - k. UFIC has 22 lines that are funded through state dollars, 11.5 are funded through soft money.
 - l. Diversity of the undergraduate population is a diversity goal for the center.
 - m. About 2,000 undergraduates each year go out into programs.
- 5) Future presentations
- a. The council will discuss what feedback the council can provide for RCM. By November the RCM group should have different permutations of model. The council will start working on informing the University about the model in January.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM