

Budget Council Meeting
Minutes
February 10, 2012
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Tigert 202

Attendance:

Marc Heft
Alex Berkovich
Sue Alvers
Paul Mueller
Curtis Reynolds
Susan Sinnott

Meeting was called to order at 1:11 p.m. Minutes from January were approved.

Marc reported on the last steering committee meeting.

- Libraries Committee wants to start a conversation about Open Access and the Berlin-9 declaration. Many of the European countries are on board.
- Jeremy Foley will speak at the next Faculty Senate meeting about athletics and academics.
- University wants to develop a core curriculum in the Humanities (The Good Life course – HUM 2305) that new students are required to enroll. This will be part of General Education.

The Budget Council was charged with making policy recommendations and facilitating faculty participation in shared governance. With that in mind, Marc Heft sent an email asking the Deans for input and on what impact RCM has had their college. The three questions that he asked were:

- Has RCM affected current or planned interdisciplinary teaching or research programs in your college? Please provide examples and, if possible, provide suggestions how RCM modifications would better support these activities.
- Has RCM affected administrative decision-making in your college, including, but not limited to, staffing, hiring, and space allocation and assignment?
- Has RCM increased transparency at the university level? At the college level?

Most of the Dean responses are back. Marc is waiting for a few more and will present at the March Budget Council meeting.

The council adjourned at 2:15 p.m.