Budget Council Meeting Minutes January 13, 2012 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Tigert 202

Attendance:

Marc Heft
Matt Fajack
Brian Harfe
Alex Berkovich
Sue Alvers
Paul Mueller
Regina Bussing
Curtis Reynolds

Meeting was called to order at 1:15 p.m. Minutes from December were approved.

Marc reported on yesterday's steering committee meeting.

- Dr. Guzick will give a presentation to the Faculty Senate on Self-Insurance. Health care costs are rising. Our sister schools are self-insured and with positive feedback from employees.
- University wants to develop a core curriculum in the Humanities that new students are required to enroll. Plans are for The Good Life Course (HUM 2305) to start in Summer B.
- College of Medicine is proposing to increase its timeline for tenure and promotion to 10 years from seven.

Scott Nygren, Faculty Senate Chair, asked the Budget Council to determine if administrators have tracked how RCM has impacted colleges and interdisciplinary collaborations during the past year. It was noted that faculty seem to have a hard time understanding how RCM works, especially with interdisciplinary courses and research. It was decided that Marc will email the Deans with questions from the council. Council members will send Marc questions to ask the Deans via email.

The council adjourned at 3:00 p.m.