

Budget Council Meeting
Minutes
March 9, 2012
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Tigert 202

Attendance:

Marc Heft
Sue Alvers
Paul Mueller
Susan Sinnott
Matt Fajack
Brian Harfe

Meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. Minutes from February were approved.

Brian Harfe was elected as Budget Council Chair for 2012-2013.

Steering Committee Update

Marc reported on the last steering committee meeting.

- Dr. Machen plan to discuss self-insurance during his “President’s Report” at the Faculty Senate meeting.
- Looks like the state might decrease its contribution for those in ORP by 2%. Members of the ORP are not required to contribute 2% to make up for the cut.

Dean’s Survey of RCM Impacts on Interdisciplinary Teaching

Marc has heard from 13 out of the 16 deans. Responses from the deans show that many of the colleges are still operating in silos and confirms past council discussions. The interdisciplinary “Good Life Course” funds are distributed by the Provost. Matt Fajack noted that the RCM manual and Budget Book are posted on his website. It has detailed calculations for each college. After a long discussion, it was decided that Marc will write a report on the responses from the deans.

RCM continued discussion

Marc gave a short update on his attendance at the Research and Scholarship Council. He mentioned that David Norton, new Vice President for Research was a guest. Discussion revolved around how to improve undergraduate research participation.

The council adjourned at 2:35 p.m.