

Budget Council Meeting
Minutes
October 25, 2010
1-3 PM
226 Tigert

Attendees:

Regina Bussing
James Klausner
Marc Heft
Pradeep Kumar
Cheri Brodeur
Susan Sinnott
Matt Fajack

Council Guests:

Dean Silver (Building Construction)
Dean Perri (Public Health and Health Professions)
Dean Wright (Journalism)

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM

September minutes were approved unanimously without further edits.

Deans Perri, Silver and Wright provided input on their Colleges' RCM experiences, areas of positive and negative impacts, unintended consequences and solutions to problems encountered. Generally they emphasized that while RCM makes sense conceptually, explicit guiding principles are required to reap RCM's potential benefits of transparency, fairness and predictability in outcomes.

Across the units, common unresolved issues include

- how to best handle revenue sharing when more than one college is involved
- how to plan for joint program funding
- Double majors – how will RCM further affect
- where do increased tuition payments go
- how to deal with the magnitude of staff administrative RCM-related workloads
- how to handle entities excluded from taxation and impacts on taxed units
- handling endowments

Positive impacts have include higher levels of curriculum integration and decrease in educational “silos” and significant increases in distance education.

Matt Fajak provided a brief update on expected state budget plans for current and next fiscal year, voicing cautious optimism that UF will not face midyear cuts and that the next year will not bring major changes. Preliminary draft budgets will be planned in March/April of 2011.

The council briefly reviewed RCM budget communications received since last meeting. The website blog will be operative shortly and submissions will be reviewed by council co-chairs and council members in timely fashion.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM