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Budget & Planning Committee
February 18 2016
Minutes

Present: Brian Carroll, Carey Gazis, George Drake, Kenneth Smith, Michael Young, Raj Nataraja, Kathy Temple, and Tim Englund

Absent: Lene Pedersen, Sathy Rajendran, Aimée Quinn, Cathy Anderson, Ian Loverro, Janet Finke and Wendy Cook.

Guest(s): None

Procedure Manual - Committee reviewed the proposed changes. Kathy suggested section 4.8 as new language. Section 7 was changed regarding sending motions to Senate when possible and to the Executive Committee if action is needed quicker.

BFC meeting review - John Swiney discussed tuition waivers for 2016-17. CWU is reducing the dollar amount of the waivers for next year due to tuition decrease. Certain kind of waivers can stack up to 86% and CWU is putting a cap at 80% of waivers allowed. They presented a joint report on budget of the percentage of what departments have spent. Spending is more or less on track, with the exception of grounds and facilities which are high due to the winter. George Clark brought forward language that would change policy so that faculty members on the BFC are appointed by Senate rather than the Provost. Dean Cutright brought up the issue of dean representation on BFC. A motion was passed by BFC to recommend adding the four academic college deans to the BFC language.

The February 18, 2016 agenda was approved as presented.

The February 4, 2016 minutes were approved as presented.

Indirect ASL funding – Aimée, Ian, and Lene met with Dominic Klyve and his group and reviewed a short two page report which he presented to ASLC on February 16, 2015.

RCM model - Ken, Sathy, Kathy, & Carey met last week. Provost indicated Central has RCM like qualities, but with 100% subventions. No one else is exactly sure what this means, either. The group is looking at resources on RCM and budgeting models. Kathy handed out the draft list of questions for the ADCO survey. The group is considering leaving the survey up through the next ADCO meeting in March and then take a look at information after spring break. Summer funding is also looking at doing a survey so we asked if they can combined.

Summer Funding/base funding - George talked about recommendations from the group. One hunch is that students won't come if we charge them 15% higher tuition in summer 2017. Do summer rates have to be all the same? Could we offer students a package deal on a certain group of classes as an incentive to take them? Possibly set higher

tuition levels for programs that are seen to be a higher value. For questions about the distribution of summer revenue and how it is used--seems ADCO is the most logical place to ask. There are also questions for faculty and possibly students, and are considering surveying students and faculty on what might we do to attract more students. Some programs make money in the summer and others don't. The group could look at why. Modality can make a difference. With some of the rare courses that aren't offered as often, students may be more likely to take them during the summer.

Overhead - Raj indicated the group didn't make much progress. They are working to get more detailed data on the spending of the institution. What he received from George was summary information. The group wants to see data over a period of time. What are specifics? They want to look at where spending is happening, what areas make sense, what areas are redundant and where does the data overlap. The group needs data to progress on the work. Hopefully they can get additional information next week.

No old business.

Brian has heard some in administration say that RCM is dead, so expressed concerns about what this committee making recommendations on. The committee discussed what issues may still be relevant.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.