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Present: Lene Pedersen, Sathy Rajendran, Aimee Quinn, Brian Carroll, Carey Gazis, Cathy Anderson, George Drake, Ian Loverro, Kenneth Smith, Michael Young, Raj Nataraja, Kathy Temple, Janet Finke and Tim Englund.

Absent: Wendy Cook

Guest(s): None

Meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m.

Tim talked about a recent meeting he attended. For the next fiscal year they are not using the RCM model 80/10/5/5 that had been approved. It appears to be 100% subventions. It was suggested the committee needs to communicate with the President and Provost to find out what is going on with RCM. Sounds more like performance based budgeting. Tim said he would send out the information from the chairs meeting today.

Changes to the agenda – The agenda was approved with the addition of Tim’s discussion of the budget meeting related to RCM. There is still some discussion about the level of raw data needed for this committee to be able to fully do its work.

Minutes – The adjournment time needs to be corrected. The January 21, 2016 minutes were approved with correction.

Procedures manual – The committee discussed the draft procedures manual. There was discussion of what is meant by matters of great importance (urgency vs importance). Some things may be sufficiently small not to take to Senate. If something is already established as a priority at Senate, operating with a mandate then maybe not take to Senate. Is it worth putting in procedure manual or should it be handled on a case-by-case basis. Maybe it could be in consultation with the Executive Committee. As normal procedure recommendations should be voted on by Faculty Senate, when time constraints don't permit or fall outside of established Senate meeting time, the committee will consult with Executive C instead of full Senate.

Kathy & Aimee will make the changes to the procedure manual will vote at the next meeting.

Indirect ASL funding – The subgroup met with Dominic Klyve and they are going to meet again next week with Dominic. There doesn't appear to be a way to impose one model on all of the groups. The subgroup is talking about proposing different kinds of models. Dominic's group has not met cohesively, but they are preparing a small two page report describing the models, if fully supported by Library OISP, DHC, Graduate Studies, and Student Success.

RCM models – The subgroup is planning on looking at places that did RCM well to look at them to see what models worked. It was suggested to ask the Provost. What are the implications to the departments? What is the impact to the students? The group is thinking of doing a survey to chairs.
Summer funding/base funding – The subgroup met last week. They are working to identify what the problems are and who makes decisions. There are different kinds of departments in summer funding. Tuition will go down next year and salaries will go up and budgets aren't growing. Colleges are relying on 148 funds to pay for classes. Distribution of summer money to departments is based on what departments earn. Some departments earn a lot more than others and some end up with little from summer, but the exception is they will pay for equipment out of 148 fund money. Faculty are being paid at a different rates during summer which may violate the CBA. Overhead seems to fluctuate from year-to-year. Proration is done at 3rd day of classes, while students can drop until 10th day. This summer is staying at current tuition level and it is still to be determined what happens next summer.

Overhead – The subgroup is looking at eliminating redundancies, and creating efficiencies. The group e-mailed George Clark and did get some information. Michael indicated he wants more detailed information. ASL support cost and instruction cost. What are the redundancies in terms of costs? Can anything be merged or spending done in a different way? Michael wants to see data over a period of time. If overhead for this division has been going up at a certain rate and enrollment going down or the same, why is overhead going up?

Meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.