

Planning & Resource Allocation Committee

Summary September 8, 2015

Present: Becky Brown, Gina Cullen, Jonathan Eldridge (Co-Chair), Sarah Frye, Peggy Isozaki, Rhonda Jones (Resource), Christina Leimer, Sara McKinnon (Co-Chair), Lisa Morse, Nancy Willet

Absent: Yolanda Bellisimo, Greg Nelson

Agenda Review

The agenda was approved.

Summary

The summary for the 8/25/15 meeting were approved, with the change of moving Greg Nelson from "Guests" to "Present".

Program Review Template Changes - Sara

Fiscal Services has requested that more detailed budget information be provided in Full Program Review documents. Sara created a table to be added to the Full Program Review document to simplify the process.

Table discussion highlights:

- Columns for current and three additional years' numbers are provided for better long-term planning
- Any necessary explanation can be addressed in the Program Review narrative or in a presentation to PRAC
- Chairs will need more detailed budget data (past and present) to make good projections
 Training on use of the Budget Tool is needed
- The table would be helpful to anyone involved in budget and expenditure discussions

Proposed changes to the budgeting process:

- Certain annual expenses (accreditation costs, ongoing maintenance contracts, etc.) should be automatically built into the budget and not need to be addressed individually each year
- Budgeting needs to be addressed earlier in the fiscal year (fall semester) to better manage/prioritize existing resources and make long-term plans
- Deans/Directors and Chairs need to work together to combine needs in reporting and share available resources

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Sara will make the few changes suggested by the Committee and then send out the table for use with the Program Review document.

COM Strategic Plan 2014-2015 Progress Report - Christina

Christina created a handout titled "Strategic Plan 2012-2015 Progress Report" that summarizes the status of COM's completion of the Action Steps designed to meet Strategic Plan Objectives. The EPC's findings: "Overall, 46 of the action steps were completed, 20 show substantial progress and 4 show little progress."

New COM Strategic Plan Draft - Christina

Goals of the Strategic Plan for 2015-2018:

- Work toward systematic means of progress
- Reporting must be consistent and measurable across all standards
 - Consistently specific or non-specific
- Work Teams have the responsibility of getting the work done on an Objective

Committee suggestions:

- Include more faculty on Work Teams or as consultants
- Replace "values of sustainability" with "values of a sustainable society" in proposed Vision Statement

Subcommittee Reports

There were no subcommittee reports at this meeting.

Other

Meeting Wrap Up/Assignments

There were none at this meeting.