Faculty Budget Priority Committee
Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2012

1) Introduction of committee members

2) The committee noted that ninety percent of agenda items from last year dealt with the Mission Driven Allocation Model while ten percent of the agenda items focused on budget. While the MDA discussions will continue, there does not seem to have been any developments in the model since the spring. The new Interim Provost, Tom Sudkamp, is a champion of the faculty and we are fortunate to work with him.

3) Faculty Budget Priority Committee members feel that the focus should continue on agenda items that remain from the previous year.

Areas of Concern:

- The MDA was presented as endorsed by the Faculty Budget Priority Committee and that is not the case.

- There is less faculty control and more control by the deans; whereas more input is needed in the colleges. Some representatives felt there was less dean control and actually more administrative control, with the MDA allowing administrators to prioritize colleges as how they are perceived in importance.

- Deans forfeited SSI model for the 60/40 split.

- Revenue generating units started in the hole and service units started flat which is unacceptable.

- Funding generation responsibility is placed on colleges. If one degree earns more $, should that college be able to charge more tuition? MDA does not speak to course completion. Differentiated tuition = not being a university.

- Regarding recruiting, if we don't have students, an MDA model doesn't matter. WSU is falling short as far as recruiting. Where is the incentive for Admissions and what are their current expenditures?

4) The committee adjourned at 2:45 and will meet again on Wednesday, September 26 from 1:30-2:30 in 267 University Hall with Interim Provost Tom Sudkamp and Vice President for Business and Fiscal Affairs Mark Polatajko.