RP&A Meeting Minutes
6 June 2017
Room 202 Library 2:00 PM

Fitch called the meeting to order at 2 p.m.

The Faculty Senate agenda for the 15 June 2017 meeting was approved.

A referral to CET to address evaluation rates at first AY 17-18 FS meeting passed.

FS senator attendance was discussed. Sending calendar invites was mentioned, as was the past strategy of phone calls to senators day of or day before. It was suggested to poll colleagues whether senators share information back to departments - would be nice if senators inform their colleagues. A few departments do, some not. Some departments discuss at regular departmental meetings. RP&A decided to inform Sahra and Tom that this issue should be presented at the first AY meeting of FS as an element of the RP&A report.

Chair searches: MSE has apparently had disagreement about process with Dean/Provost in parsing of the relevant section of CRR 300.030. RP&A examined the language and agreed that (1) per CRR 300.030, RP&A interprets the rules, and (2) the rules state that the T/TT faculty elects the search committee, then the search committee proceeds in accordance with search per EEO procedures. It was suggested that the search committee for chancellor consider this as one of the questions.
Motion: Fitch to draft a letter to Provost Marley, cc: FS, share with RP&A for edit, send revision for approval. Motion passed.
It was note that the procedures are at ledi.mst.edu and that the Provost should have opportunity to state his/her case to the T/TT faculty for including certain roles in the committee.

Program Prioritization was discussed. Discussion included that Parker Hall be reminded to post the information Rose Horton presented. Questions about the effort that were asked included:
Does it capture the richness and diversity of our campus?
What is the connection between reports and the scoring? If no explanation, why is it being done?
Why are we the only ones doing this process?
Fitch indicated these questions would be brought to the FS officer meeting with the Chancellor and provost.