January 15, 2016   Long Range Advisory and Budget Committee Meeting Report

1. The meeting with Marcia Sakai for Friday, Jan 8, 2016 was cancelled. Instead we were asked to rank order the instructional technology proposals. The proposals, in summary, are as follows:

   Proposal 1. Classroom AV Repair & Replacement Project ($145k)
   Proposal 2. Student Life Center Security Cameras ($11.4k)
   Proposal 3. Classroom Teaching Station Renovation Project (choose one)
     Option 1 -- conversion to laptops ($147.6k per year for 3 years i.e. 3 year cycling)
     or
     Option 2 -- upgrade classroom teaching computers ($64.3k)

   The following are being returned to the Instructional Technology Subcommittee with a request for further information:

   Proposal 4 LanSchool for Library - Clarify whether the purpose of the software is to disable student computers
   Proposal 5 Software Packages - Check on listed price and whether lower institutional prices are available.

2. During the meeting with Matt Platz on Friday, January 1, 2016 the advisory committee discussed the “Transfer of Locus of Tenure” draft document. Many questions were posed of Matt that can be summarized thus: if you seek to leave your unit your position number stays with your unit. The unit you are seeking to move to must have a position number available for you. The receiving unit must pay for you out of their base budget; your salary and fringe will not follow you from your old unit.

   Other topics discussed:
   a. The task force to reorganize the university is driven by budget accountability and control issues. Matt hopes to move the budget closer to faculty by moving budget down to the Dean’s offices.
   b. Matt has concerns that the long-range advisory committee is divisive. This committee is meant to be a brainstorming committee only; we are not a decision making committee. Matt wonders if we should discontinue this committee because it appeared to create a certain amount of divisiveness at our last Congress meeting. The committee members would not like to see the committee disbanded as find these meetings informative. Matt would appreciate Congress’ thoughts on this.