Resource Policies and Allocations Council (RPA)

Agenda

Thursday, Jan. 14, 8:30 – 9:30 am (WEBEX)

Meeting with Provost Wickert

Ann Oberhauser – Faculty Senate Rep from Sociology Dept. (LAS) will serve as Interim Chair of the RPA Council for Spring 2021 Semester

I. Call to Order
II. Introductions
III. Discuss general items and agenda for Spring 2021 semester
   a. Long term strategies of ISU as a public institution of higher education
   b. Trends in enrollment, faculty composition, and financial models and funding
   c. How are our peer institutions and Iowa colleges faring during period of restructuring? How can we distinguish ourselves and complement broader changes among these institutions?

IV. FY22 budget developments – December tuition revenue estimates, IDC estimates, all-funds budgeting, state appropriations allocation (Ellen)
   a. Winter session tuition
   b. Governor’s budget proposal

General topics for Discussion in Spring 2021 – prioritize and modify

V. Spring semester and beyond - lessons learned and changes to implement in the workplace, teaching, research, etc.
VI. Retirement incentive option (RIO) - plans to cover courses and other roles in departments, etc.
VII. Faculty morale, workload and compensation
   a. mental health and support for faculty
   b. increased workload with cuts/changes in staff support and other services - WorkDay example
   c. salaries and raises
VIII. Transparency in decision making by the central administration, e.g. budget decisions

✓ Questions from RPA Members for Senior VP Wickert
✓ Other items from the floor
✓ Adjournment