Resource Management Model Review  
Committee Charge  
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BACKGROUND:

The final report from the Budget Model Review & Implementation Committee provides a foundation for the review of the Resource Management Model. It states:

The primary differences between the university's current model for distributing resources and the Resource Management Model are that the Resource Management Model:

- more accurately links responsibilities with resource decisions,
- provides decision-makers with more transparent and relevant information,
- provides a more effective way to accomplish the goals of the university's strategic plan, and
- rewards units that focus on high quality education, research, and outreach programs.

One of the goals of the Resource Management Model is to better link resource distribution with the goals of the strategic plan. The revenue distribution formulas in the Resource Management Model are designed to maintain enrollment and increase sponsored research, both of which are elements of the strategic plan. Other strategic issues must be addressed through management processes and leadership decisions. The link between resource distribution decisions and the strategic plan is more transparent and explicit using the Resource Management Model.

The principles underlying the Resource Management Model include:

- distributes revenues to the Resource Responsibility Centers that generate the revenues in a manner that is transparent, easy to understand, and informed by data,
- allocates central administrative and support service costs to Resource Responsibility Centers that benefit from those services,
- insures a greater role for budget advisory committees that will provide advice for budgeting decisions, and
- provides university units with the flexibility to create Strategic Reserve Funds to be used for strategic multiple-year initiatives and for managing unexpected fluctuations of revenues or expenses.

PURPOSE:

The primary purpose of the review of the Resource Management Model (RMM) is to assess the degree to which these goals and principles have been attained. Secondary purposes are to determine whether the concerns that were expressed during the RMM development and implementation have materialized, and if so, to what extent and to evaluate current concerns or issues regarding the model and its impacts.
**CHARGE:**

The charge to this committee is to oversee a process that will provide observations, commentary and recommendations that address these broad purposes. The membership of the group has been designed to bring diverse voices to the review process and all individuals are challenged to take an institutional perspective with their unique voice and perspective.

In defining and managing the review process, the committee should:

- Develop metrics and criteria to assess the RMM
- Develop methods for soliciting and gathering input from all campus constituencies and reflecting that input in the report’s observations, commentary and recommendations
- Identify issues, questions and concerns from the input gathered
- Determine which issues, questions and concerns merit further exploration
- Coordinate the collection of data and additional information to assess and evaluate the issues, questions and concerns
- Develop and implement a communication plan that keeps the campus and the Executive Vice President and Provost well informed on the progress and outcomes of the review process
- Participate in the selection of consultants to assist with the review process
- Deliver a report to the Executive Vice President and Provost that provide observations, commentary and recommendations