Rules Committee Meeting 10/31/14

Present: Nancy Cohen, Anurag Sharma, Richard Bogartz, MJ Peterson, Ernest May, Steven D. Brewer, Jim Kurose (note taker)

Discussed process of minute-taking – names on the record?, summary versus detailed. If anyone wants to edit comments recorded – contact Steve. Otherwise approved.

Faculty Senate agenda item for the 13th. OK to have officer announcements at the beginning. JTFSO and JTFRA will have met.

College Budget Councils
• MJ to create 1-2 page summary of pros (and cons) of CBC. What are goals of council. Statement of principles needed. (refer to Wellman document and shared governance). Should committees have admin (deans office, chairs, staff)? Acknowledge how hard deans work.
• Remove (for now only!) CBC and run rest of the Bylaws changes through.
• Should there also be a “P” in CBC, as in CPBC (college –level PBC), so not to decouple planning and budget?

Discussed upcoming JTFR and JTFSA meetings. As a result of meetings, task force chairs will hopefully be able to report on process/timelines going forward, if not details.

Ombuds Search Committee. We discussed. Considered coverage of colleges, past activities.
Ombuds search. Discussed current organization of office, national standards. National organizations of Ombuds. Ombuds does informal resolution; should formal resolution be elsewhere? Where should Academic Honesty Office go (under provost?). Susan P. and John M. of Ad Hoc Committee on the Organization of the Ombuds Office – Committee decided to revise document. Off the agenda for next meeting.

Discussed Chronicle of Higher Ed “Diversity in Academe” report. Our campus ranks relatively low. Can we decrease our “unknown”?

Respectfully submitted by,
Jim Kurose