The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Academic Planning and Budget Committee
Annual Report for the Academic Year, 1999-2000

The (faculty) Academic Planning and Budget Committee (APBC) met weekly during much of the past year and periodically during the summer. The Committee also provided faculty and staff representation on the Chancellor’s Budget Advisory Committee (CBAC) and participated in frequent meetings of that body as well.

The major focus of attention during the year was the development of a long range investment plan for the campus (Investing in UWM’s future). The Committee worked as an independent group to formulate elements and the skeleton of a long range plan in fall, 1999. When CBAC subsequently decided that a Writing group should fashion a draft of its long range plan, 2 faculty members of APBC served on the committee and largely wrote the text of the academic portions of the document that has emerged. The Committee independently reviewed and approved the final draft of Investing in UWM’s Future and recommended that it be adopted by the CBAC and the Senate.

For the second year the Committee reviewed and ranked proposals submitted by programs designated by the Program Array Review (PAR) process for strengthening. Its recommendations were forwarded to the Vice Chancellor.

The Committee completed its Initial Review of the Milwaukee Idea and sent it to the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor, the Deans, the University Committee, the Faculty Senate and the Academic Staff Committee. The APBC made a series of recommendations which centered on the need to link the Milwaukee Idea and the First Ideas to the central objective of the long range investment plan described above that UWM become one of the 100 best research universities in the US.

Swarnjit Arora was elected Chair for 2000-2001.

Submitted by,
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