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Steering Committee Meeting
September 21, 2015

Present: Jon Anderson, Barbara Burke, Jennifer Goodnough, Mitch Forney, Ellery Wealot, Jenna Ray, Janet Ericksen, Jennifer Zych Herrmann, Jacqueline Johnson

- Minutes from April 6, 2015 (with minor edit) and April 17, 2015 were approved as presented.
- Campus Assembly minutes from April 27, 2015 were approved as presented.
- Set Campus Assembly agenda for October 12, 2015

The Assessment of Student Learning Committee would like to give a 10-minute update at this meeting. As promised at the last assembly meeting, someone from the Constitution Review Task Force will give an update. It would be good to remind assembly members what was done last year and what still needs to take place this year. It was suggested that a bullet point list might be easiest way to show what still needs to happen.

- Other committee business

Barbara informed the Steering Committee members who were unable to attend the joint meeting of Steering and committee chairs that many of the committees have just begin to meet. There's a lot of work being done on campus and there's a concern that the information is not being shared. Is there some way to get the information to the campus community other than the digital well? It was pointed out that the Twin Cities has a professional person who manages all of the committee minutes. UMM does not have the resources to do that. Chancellor Johnson noted that a point she continues to make is that because most of our committees are not constituency based, there isn't a vehicle to bring information back to your constituency. She added that it's not surprising that there's been a loss of vitality and vigor. For the first assembly meeting, information about the committee's charge, chair and a bullet point list of what they're working on will be included.

Barbara said a new constitution review ad hoc committee needs to be formed. This group will be charged by the Steering Committee and populated by the Membership Committee.

