

TO: Faculty Involved in Shared Governance at the College Level
FROM: Faculty Senate Budget Council Chair AFW
RE: Survey of Budget Processes and Resource Allocation Review Activities
DATE: September 4, 2007

The Budget Council of the University of Florida Faculty Senate is surveying colleges regarding budget activities as part of a resolution passed by the Faculty Senate in April of 2007. Key points from this resolution are listed below and the complete resolution can be found on the Budget Council's Web site <http://www.senate.ufl.edu/councils/planning/>.

Please respond to the following questions by September 30, 2007. Send your responses to Amelia Bell in the Faculty Senate Office, University of Florida, 134 Tigert Hall, P.O. Box 113185 or email her at abell@ufl.edu. If someone else in your college is better suited to respond to these questions, please forward this request to them.

1. Describe how faculty and staff are involved in budgeting processes in your college, focusing on procedures assuring timely review and input, and the entities involved in fulfilling the review function.
2. Describe plans in place to further develop this process, especially its implementation at all unit levels.

Budget Council resolution key points:

1. That each college, department, institute, center, and academic unit shall establish a procedure for providing meaningful faculty review of the budget and resource allocation,
2. That any entity created by, or empowered by, a college, department, institute, center, or academic unit to fulfill this function shall be comprised of a majority of faculty elected by the unit,
3. The procedure established shall insure that the Dean, Chair, or Director of the College, Department, Center or other academic unit shall regularly provide the requisite budget and resource allocation information to allow faculty meaningful review,
4. The procedure established in each college, department, institute, center, and academic unit shall insure the dissemination of this information to the faculty of the college, department, institute, center or other academic unit, and
5. That the Budget Council survey each College, Institute and Center and provide the Senate with an annual evaluation of the University's Faculty Budget and Resource Allocation Review activities.