Senate Budget Restructuring and Reallocation Committee update 4/18

This week the SBRRC received a series of comments and questions regarding the music therapy program. These comments and our responses are posted on the University Senate Budget Information page. The 4/11 SBRRC update, which was not disseminated by email last week, is available on the University Senate Budget Information page. There you will also find responses to budget-related comments submitted for the week ending 4/11 through the University Senate Feedback and Suggestions website. Topics include creative solutions to budget cuts, women’s hockey, health insurance, and strategic planning as well as SBRRC follow-ups on the Ray Richards Golf Course and complexities of building use.

Budget-related developments:

- The work of the 45-member strategic planning committee is nearing completion. The strategic plan is the focus of a series of presentations over the next couple of weeks.
- The Provost’s April 19 Budget Forum began with a short presentation by Dana Harsell, Co-Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee. He introduced the three fundamental pillars of the plan – Learning, Discovery and Engagement – and their associated goals. Grant McGimpsey, VP for Research & Economic Development and Dean of the School of Graduate Studies elaborated on the Discovery pillar.
- The April 26 Budget Forum (3 pm Education 7) will focus on the Learning and Engagement pillars.
- The combined April 19, 26 Strategic Planning Powerpoint presentation is available on the Strategic Planning website.
- The Strategic Planning Committee wants feedback on prioritization and implementation of the strategic plan. The Qualtrics survey is available April 19-26. The link can also be found on the Strategic Planning website.
- President Kennedy will address the Strategic Plan at the meeting of the University Council on May 3, 3-4 pm, Education 7.
- The roll-out of the Strategic Plan will culminate with a special session led by President Kennedy on May 5, 2:30 pm in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl.

Send us your budget-related comments through the University Senate’s Feedback and Suggestions website at http://und.edu/university-senate/feedback.cfm, or contact any member of the SBRRC directly.

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