

REPORT OF THE FS BUDGET & PLANNING COMMITTEE

February 18, 2015

The committee has decided to postpone a motion that the campus budget pass through the Faculty Senate for review and input before proceeding to the Campus Council. The committee is in discussion with administration on this issue and didn't want to appear to rush this motion through without adequate deliberation. The committee feels that the Faculty Senate should review the entire campus budget, not just the planning lists.

The committee has met resistance from administration on several occasions concerning whether the Faculty Senate is allowed to provide input into the campus budget. The committee feels strongly that the Board of Regents Policy and the recent Memorandum of Agreement Regarding the Roles and Consultation Protocols Involving UH Management, UH Professional Assembly, and UH Faculty Senates give faculty senates this role:

Board of Regents Policy Chapter 1

Section 1-10: Policy on Faculty Involvement in Academic Decision-Making and Academic Policy Development.

b. Faculty Involvement in Academic Decision-Making and Academic Policy Development

It is the policy of the University to maintain and strengthen organized and systematic involvement by faculty in academic decision-making and policy development.

2. The duly authorized organization specified by each charter shall have the responsibility to speak for the faculty on academic policy matters such as:

b. budget planning and implementation

5. The role of the faculty as set forth herein shall not be delegated to any other entity by the faculty organization established pursuant to this policy.

Memorandum of Agreement Regarding the Roles and Consultation Protocols Involving UH Management, UH Professional Assembly, and UH Faculty Senates Faculty Senate

The Faculty Senates on each campus shall have responsibility for deliberation and providing advice to administration on

7) Review of the University and/or campus mission, strategic planning directions and goals, and related budget and assessment decisions. This responsibility may be exercised through campus budget and/or planning committees that may include additional shared governance entities.

Other faculty senates, such as those of Honolulu, Maui and Hawaii Community Colleges review their campus budgets and vote on them. These campuses review the entire budget, not just the planning lists or new funds or expenses. Former UH President

M.R.C. Greenwood made a big push for faculty senates to have a formal role in the budgetary process on each campus.

The Faculty Senate Budget and Planning Committee intends to make a motion at the March 18 Faculty Senate meeting to request that the entire campus budget pass through the Faculty Senate for review and input before proceeding on to the Campus Council. If senators have any suggestion or comments please contact Stanley May, Committee Chair.