

Senate Budget Committee update 9/21/17

This is the first bi-weekly Senate Budget Committee Update for the fall semester. The SBC received three budget-related comments submitted through the University Senate's [Feedback and Suggestions website](#) at its September 5 meeting. These comments and our responses are posted on the [University Senate Budget Information page](#). Topics include F & A distributions, the SSAC, and the President's Office Special Events Assistant.

- The Senate Budget Committee report "Human Resource Final Actions: FY13-17" details the impact of budget reductions of the past two years on the university workforce. During this period, benefited instructional positions declined 6.1% and benefited staff positions declined 8.7%. Read the complete report on the [University Senate Budget Information page](#).
- The Service Unit Allocation Committee met Sept 6 to begin the process of reviewing FY19 Service Unit budget proposals.
- The moratorium on requests for new faculty searches ended on September 7. See the [September 19 University Letter](#) to learn more and read the template for [Justification for Position Recruitment](#).
- The Provost spoke about the budget, new space for pedagogy, and VPAA staffing changes at the [September 14 Provost Forum](#).
- The first Provost Forum also featured A team from Resource Planning and Allocation, Student Financial Aid, and Student Accounts Services described recent collaborative efforts to improve the student finance process (see the [Sept 14 UND Today story](#)).
- Future Provost's Forum dates and topics are listed in the September 14 [University Letter](#).
- Fall student enrollment numbers were released this week. See stories in the [September 21 UND Today](#) and [September 20 Grand Forks Herald](#) stories. A 0.6% freshman gain helped to blunt an overall 1.7% drop in undergraduate enrollment.

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 SBC member directly.

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