Senate Budget Restructuring and Reallocation Committee update 5/2

The SBRRC received four budget-related comments submitted through the University Senate’s Feedback and Suggestions website this past week. These comments and our responses are posted at the University Senate Budget Information page. Comments focus on furloughs, liberal arts and the strategic plan, music therapy and senior vice provosts. Follow-ups are posted for earlier questions on tuition and credits and frequent flier miles.

Budget-related developments:

- President Kennedy addressed the University Council on May 3 with an hour-long look into what the future holds for UND. This included an overview of reasons for the need to be flexible and adaptable in a time of change in higher education. He mapped out the steps the university is taking now to ensure future success. The President made it clear that he expects everyone to contribute to achieving the goals of the strategic plan, indicating that if you want stability then get with the team. He stated “The more closely aligned you are with this plan, the happier your life will be.”
- President Kennedy will formally launch the Strategic Plan with a special session on May 5, 2:30 pm in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl.
- President Kennedy’s leadership team will get to work immediately with a May 9-11 “One UND Implementation Team Advance” (not to be confused with a retreat).

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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