The Fiscal Policy Committee


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In accordance with the Chancellor's statement on the "Role of Faculty and Students in Budgetary Matters," the Fiscal Policy Committee has the following responsibilities:

1. To provide recommendations through Senate channels regarding areas that may warrant emphasis in the budget planning and allocation process.
2. To review the President's annual budget initiation memorandum prior to the President's consultation with the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate. Information on budgetary issues will be provided to the Executive Committee.
3. To review the proposed annual academic affairs budget with the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Prospective policy recommendations will be provided to the Senate and subsequently to the President.
4. To review, as appropriate, the fiscal implications of pertinent planning documents, including tactical plans.
5. To review and make recommendations regarding local fees that have university-wide impact.
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7. To review and make other policy recommendations concerning the optimum utilization of resources in the achievement of university academic objectives.

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2. Three members appointed by the Nominations Committee for staggered three-year terms. One member appointed by the Nominations Committee to the Fiscal
Policy Committee shall also be the same member appointed by the Nominations Committee to the Resource Allocation Advisory Committee and the other two shall be faculty members with expertise in budgets and the budgetary process.

3. One representative from the Executive Committee of the Senate as the liaison member.

4. The Vice President for Administration and Finance or designee, who serves ex officio as executive secretary, non-voting.

5. Two students to be selected annually by the Board of Directors of the Associated Students, Inc. One of the student members must be an undergraduate student and the other student member must be an enrolled classified graduate or postbaccalaureate credential student. The criteria for student members are the same as those specified for student members of the Academic Senate (Constitution of the Faculty, Section 3h, Appendix C of the Faculty Handbook).

Quorum. A quorum shall be a majority of the voting members of the committee.

Officers and Duties.

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2. The chair shall call regularly scheduled meetings of the committee and shall set the agenda.

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