Faculty Senate Executive Committee Report May 1, 2019

The Executive Committee met on April 17th. No meeting was held on April 24th.

- Dan Durbin discussed the budget background and assumptions. He did not want to provided details of the scenarios they are considering since these had not yet been presented to the BOT Finance Committee
 - 2020 budget is a placeholder because of strategic planning effort
 - Goal is to keep the budget stable and build the base
 - Fund only necessary commitments, including inflationary utility and health benefits costs
 - No scenarios include across the board cuts
 - Priority is to shield academic units as much as possible
 - Anticipating some salary increase plan (no details provided)
 - New budget model is being implemented
 - XC members were frustrated that no details of the scenarios were presented; this is less transparent than in years past; where is shared governance in this process?
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- The XC affirmed the Redbook Committee's approval of the Law School's request to change the name of the "Advising, Reinstatement and Probation Committee to the Reinstatement and Probation Committee.
- Concern was raised about an initiative in HR to re-think our benefits structures—there is no clear shared governance process in place for this.
- The Provost has charged a new Faculty Accountability Committee, chaired by Rhonda Bishop, to examine how complaints are investigated and reported.
- Concern was raised about the poor package delivery service now that there is only one person for all three campuses doing this job.
- The XC recognized and commended Lazaro Munoz, outgoing SGA rep, for his service and contributions.

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