

Academic Senate Minutes of
September 21, 2000

Chair of the Senate

Anyone from the press? Statewide Academic Senate has passed a resolution urging voters to vote against the initiative that would call for vouchers for schools and has asked the local senate to consider such a resolution.

Consent Items:

Approval of Agenda

Minutes are not ready.

Report or a Conversation with the Vice President of Administration and Finance on the last 12 months in his new roll as the Chief Financial Officer regarding the Budget for the past 12 months.

MSP to accept the the Agenda and Conversation with the Vice President.

Mr. Schlereth introduce four member of his financial staff (as the University Financial Affairs presentation to the academic senate was distributed to the senators) who works closely with him. Leticia Coate, Controller of SSU and is responsible for the overall accounting integrity of the University financial statements control, she is a graduate of SSU and has her CPA also. Next is Janice Peterson, Director of University Budget and she also works closely with Katie Pierce on the Academic budget as well as the overall University budget, then we have Tandy Whitcker who is the budget analyst with the University and most recently Kathy Mohler who is a budget analyst within the University budget office who works closely with the student affairs budget and gives great support to the rest of the team. There are two people who cannot be here today that work closely behind the architecture of our financial planner, Steve Winter, Associate Vice President and Bill Ingels our University Treasurer. These people comprise the key members of our financial team along with Katie Pierce and this report I am about to give you would not be possible without their help. The handout on the University Financial Affairs was very self explanatory and questions were asked of the CFO.

Support Budget is are primary budget - General fund - this budget is the most restricted in nature a the one that gets the most press. He went over each bulleted item under Support Budget Update 1999-2000. See attached Budget. Concerns were address by faculty:

University Reserve. Reserve is a good idea but we should have a policy in place on what and how we are to use this reserve. The policy is this, a Vice President can bring an item to the University Cabinet where it is discussed and then it would be recommended to the President whether or not that item qualifies as an Reserve Item. The President then decides whether the item is a Reserve item.