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BUDGET COMMITTEES

Each college, school, and any other Dean-led unit shall have a representative committee that advises on the allocation of funds to its programs. This committee should be made up of a majority of elected faculty members. Each unit shall decide on an appropriate size for this committee, which must have no fewer than five members.

This committee will serve as a liaison between the unit administration and the faculty on matters pertaining to the university budget, advocate for faculty priorities on matters of budget and budgetary policy, and provide a venue for discussing faculty questions and concerns about the unit budget and budgeting process. This committee shall support the key role that chairs and directors play in colleges' budget decision making.

The unit-level Faculty Budget Committee shall meet regularly with the Dean or other senior administrative officer(s) of the unit to discuss financial matters and collaborate in the development of budgetary processes and plans. The unit-level Faculty Budget Committee shall report its work to the faculty of the unit and solicit feedback and input from the unit's faculty on budgetary matters.

The unit-level Faculty Budget Committee shall be properly oriented and trained in the details of the University of South Carolina - Columbia budgeting process. The unit-level Faculty Budget Committee shall have access to all relevant budgetary data to fulfill its purpose including, but not limited to analyses of past budgetary experience, reports on current budgets, and budgetary projections.