

Feedback from UBC Members at February 3, 2020 Meeting

- **Reimagining the UBC**
 - The attendees of February 3rd's UBC meeting were asked to consider how the UBC could be reimagined to promote budget literacy, transparency, and clarity for the campus.
 - Some of the answers given to this question included the following:
 - Clarifying strategy and multi-year budgeting
 - Plans and priorities for all areas
 - Strategic planning for Budget Administration & Operations
 - Resource Allocation
 - Collaboration
 - There was general agreement that an emphasis on the Academic Strategic Plan would allow the campus to better prioritize the budget.
- **Promoting Budget Literacy, Transparency, and Clarity**
 - UBC meeting attendees were also asked to think about what budget-related topics the UBC should be asked to consider and to recommend resolutions to the president that would promote budget literacy, transparency, and clarity.
 - Some of the answers given to this question included the following:
 - Enrollment targets
 - Priorities
 - Classes, training for staff
 - Technology
 - Glossary of terms (budget literacy)
 - Continuous communication with campus
 - More consistent messaging
 - Follow through with training on budget literacy so people can be confident in budget discussions
- **Making Difficult Decisions Around a Challenging Budget Year**
 - UBC meeting attendees were asked to consider a scenario where if the University were in a difficult budget year that required reductions to the university's budget, what would be examples of difficult decisions that might be necessary and how the UBC should address those decisions with the president.
 - Some of the answers given to this question included the following:
 - Budget cuts

- Cut positions
 - Cut classes
 - Deferring investments
 - Reducing initiatives/programs
 - Determining what's essential
- Reserves
 - Including more voices
 - Proactive policies
- **Setting a Roadmap for Spring 2020**
 - Finally, UBC meeting attendees were asked what 3-5 items the UBC would like to see done in Spring 2020 to promote budget literacy, transparency, and clarity.
 - Some of the answers given to this question included the following:
 - Change structure of the UBC
 - Identify priorities for budget
 - Set campus budget framework
 - Literacy, training, accessibility
 - Terms, workshops, funding sources
 - Ensuring proper communication channels to campus
 - Channels that report out – what other broader audiences should be part of the communication?
 - Sub-committees of UBC
 - UBC, Working Groups, Strategic Initiatives Committee – how do we turn this into a feedback loop?