

Budget & Finance Committee

October Report – Kirk Atkinson, Chair

October 2021 Senate Meeting

The Budget & Finance Committee met via Zoom on September 30, 2021. This was the initial meeting of the academic year as a chair was not elected until mid-September.

Voting members in attendance:

Kirk Atkinson, Chair, Information Systems

Daniel Boamah, Social Work

Me’Lon Craighead, SGA student representative

Susan Eagle, Public Health

Eric Kondratieff, History

Anthony Paganelli, Library Public & Technical Services

Kevin Schmaltz, Engineering & Applied Sciences

Julie Shadoan, Political Science

Toni Szymanski, School of Teacher Education

Ex-officio members in attendance:

Bud Fischer, Provost

Julie Lee (first part of meeting),
Senate Chair

The meeting was recorded via Zoom and is available for viewing upon request.

No old business from the previous academic year was presented.

All items in the New Business are Information Items only, no action items at this time.

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Information items discussed included:

1. A statement on the actual mission of this standing committee with the verbiage pulled directly from the Senate Charter.
2. The schedule of meetings for this committee was also discussed. There are conflicts as the schedule was originally published and adjustments will be made to the November 2021 and April 2022 meeting dates & times. The revised dates will be provided to the SEC and eventually published.
3. The Faculty Regent will be working closely with this committee this year in an effort to establish improved communication with the Board of Regents.
4. The Chair of this committee will request that the Internal Auditor attend a future meeting and address the existing controls and procedures related to WKU budgets and finances.
5. The 2% raise pool was discussed briefly. Provost Fischer stated that the pool does exist and that a decision for how it will be administered is coming soon.

The next scheduled meeting is in November but a new date has not yet been established.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:15 PM CT.