

Senate University Budget Committee

March 26, 2026, 3:30 p.m. – 5:00p.m. | MS Teams

Agenda:

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes
 - A. [2026.2.26 Budget Minutes.docx](#)
3. Budget Transformation Initiative Update (Michael M, Laurent, Oskar, Dave)

Laurent Michel shared that next week's scheduled meeting on BTI outcomes was cancelled and that they recently heard that the tuition waiver for Ph.D. students will no longer be centrally funded due to findings related to the BTI. This is on the agenda for tomorrow's meeting with the Senate Executive Committee and Committee Chairs.

4. FY22-25 Preliminary Analysis (Michael M & Laurent)
 - A. [USBC FY13-present current.xlsx](#)
 - B. [USBC FY22-25 Revenue and Expenditure Analysis.pptx](#)

Michael Morrell shared a presentation showing an analysis of FY22 – 25 non-grant expenditures and revenues, highlighting annualized change both in total figures and by percentage change. The committee reviewed the figures by various categories and discussion ensued, focusing primarily on their interpretation of the data. There were increased investments in student financial aid, housing, and dining, driven by cost increases, especially in dining, and increased enrollment. There was a large increase in capital and debt spending during the period. There was a reduction in the percentage of the non-grant budget going to units that report to the Provost. Committee members shared concerns about the potential impacts on academic quality and students' learning experiences. Michael Morrell shared that this will be presented to the SEC and Senate Committee Chairs on March 27th, and the SEC will determine next steps then.

Attending:

- ***Michael Morrell, Co-Chair, CLAS**
- ***Laurent Michel, Co-Chair, College of Engineering**
- *Ali Bazzi, College of Engineering
- *Eleni Coundouriotis, CLAS
- *Carrie Fernandes, Office of Financial Aid
- *Timothy Folta, Business
- *Niraj, Ghimire, CLAS

- *Oskar Harmon, CLAS (Stamford)
- *Anne Langley, UConn Library
- *William Lipinski, Undergraduate Student
- *Paulo Verardi, CAHNR
- Jessica Chrabaszcz, Executive Associate Athletic Director for Competitive Excellence, UConn Athletics
- Elena Dormidontova, CLAS (*absent*)
- Maham Liaqat, Graduate Student (*absent*)
- Steve Marchillo, SSW, Director of Finance
- Lisa Park-Boush, CLAS
- Dave Weber, School of Business
- Michael White, Dining Services (*absent*)
- Reka Wrynn, Interim Vice President for Finance (Ex-Officio Member) (*absent*)

*Members are Senators, AY 2025-2026

Potential Upcoming Topics: