FINANCE & BUDGETING

IGNITE LEADERSHIP SERIES

Pro Futuris Aspiration Five

Baylor will be a community recognized for Judicious Stewardship ... where the value generated by and derived from a Baylor experience is supported through a diversity of revenues, prudent management of our resources and risks, and the pursuit of outstanding quality and character in every area of university life.

PRO FUTURIS

QUESTIONS ABOUT STEWARDSHIP

- Is our spending a reflection of our mission and goals?
- Are we spending with integrity?
- Are we using the money entrusted to us for goodness?
- If someone were to look at our bank statements today, would we be proud of how our resources are being managed?

HOW TO DETERMINE A BUDGET

- Thorough Analysis of Past Events and Expenditures
 - Receipts
 - Bank Statements
 - Written Budgets
 - Partnership Contributions (SGAF, partner organizations)
- Develop Aspirations and Goals
 - What do you want to continue?
 - What do you want to enhance?
 - What is the organization mission?
 - What are the goals for the year?

HOW TO DETERMINE A BUDGET

- Cut the Fluff
 - Reexamine any unnecessary expenses
 - Shop around for better prices
 - Traditions of the organization need a critical eye
 - Maximize outside resources
- Prioritize the Most Important
 - Good vs. the Best
 - Dreams v. Reality
 - Research, Research, Research
 - Incremental Change

BUDGET PROCESSES

- Establish a Structure for Purchases
 - Proposed Expenses Match Projected Income
 - Be Prudent
 - Multiple Layers of Approval for Purchases
 - Communicate Individual Budgets Effectively
 - Trust your People
- Passing it On
 - Continuity is Key
 - Develop written Budget
 - Reports in Normal Formatting

QUESTIONS CONCERNING BUDGET

- Should our dues match our expenses or should our expenses match our dues?
- How are we using our outside resources to assist with meeting our goals and aspirations?
- Who is holding us accountable for our stewardship of the money entrusted to us?

RESOURCES

- Student Government Allocation Fund
- Sample Budgets
- Sponsorships and Donations
- Fundraising
- Alumni and Parent Support