

Indianapolis Faculty Council

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Budgetary Affairs Committee

2016 Campus Conversations

NEW FORMATS

- **The Campus Conversations held with the Academic Deans was done in the “World Café” method in which six pods were formed. Members of the Budgetary Affairs Committee, Campus Planning Committee, Executive Committee, and other key listeners remained stationary while the deans traveled from one pod to the other answering pre-determined questions and follow up questions (one 2 hour setting).**
- **Administrators of Support Units provided brief accomplishments and challenges (one 2 hour setting).**

Opinions About Formats

- People generally found them informative
- “World Café” format preferred (more interactive and open conversations).
- Support Unit format needs to be modified to include common questions and incorporation of “World Café” method.
- Future Campus Conservation will move to fall semester as not to be concurrent with the budgeting process thus allowing for hopefully more input from faculty about the upcoming budget cycle.
- Need to examine the charge to the BAC and its alignment with the Campus Conversations

Items of Note from the Campus Conversations

Banded tuition impact and concerns about students that took 12-14 credit hours in the past.

- Funds will be set aside for need-based support for students.
- Effect on overall revenues will depend on student responses, which we don't know; about 99% of all tuition to be distributed by actual enrollments.
- Banded tuition will apply to online courses but not online programs.

Concerns about Campus and University assessments

- Funding sources for the Grand Challenges are not transparent.
- Multiple changes with Campus assessments; some concerns that this makes it harder for schools to plan.
- Some of the concerns has been driven by the decline in enrollment of a large school on campus, which may or may not continue.
- Chancellor is to use fund raising rather than assessments to support his initiatives.

Thanks!

**And now the honorable
Chair of the IFC Campus
Planning Committee**

Miriam Ann Murphy