Shared Governance Council

Budget & Planning Committee Development

History

In 2023, the Shared Governance Council (SGC) proposed assessing the college's current participatory governance structure. An assessment task group was formed and included both an SGC member and a non-SGC member from each constituent group:

- **2 Faculty** – 1 SGC member and 1 non-SGC member selected by the Academic Senate
- **2 Classified Professionals** – 1 SGC member and 1 non-SGC member selected by the Classified Senate
- **2 Administrators/Managers** – 1 SGC member and 1 non-SGC member selected by the President's Council

At the time, there were no student representatives on SGC to participate.

The task group conducted research on Bay 10 colleges and their governance practices, facilitated focus groups, administered a college-wide survey, gathered campus input at the November 2023 College Assembly, and held retreats to develop the final report and recommendations.

As a result of this work, one of the task group's primary recommendations was to implement a revised participatory governance structure that included the development of a **Budget & Planning Committee**.

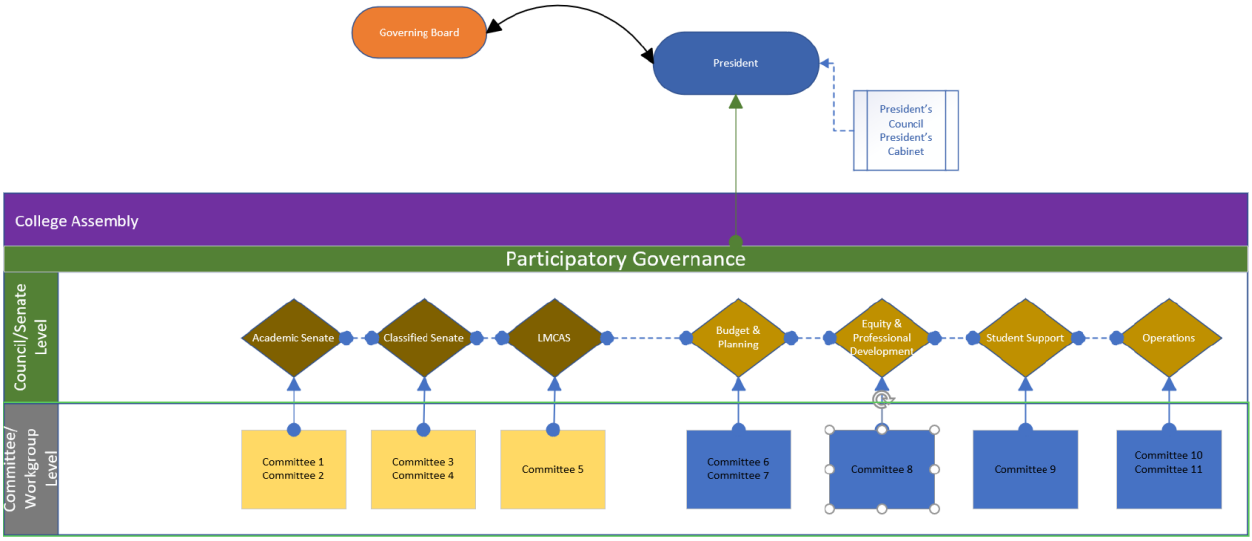


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At the February 25 SGC meeting this semester, the council discussed this recommendation and agreed to explore the possibility of developing a Budget & Planning Committee.

The next step in this process is to gather constituency input on how such a committee might be developed and structured i.e. develop a subcommittee to explore the development of a budget committee.

Discussion Questions for Budget Committee Development Consideration

Committee Creation

- Should the college create a Budget & Planning Committee?

Development Structure

- Who should be involved in developing the committee?
- Should the development group include technical budget experts, or consult them as needed?
- Should the development group follow a structure similar to the previous task group (one SGC member and one non-SGC member from each constituency)?

Committee Purpose

- What should be the committee's primary charges or goals?
- Should the committee oversee or coordinate the RAP process?
- Should the committee provide regular college-wide budget updates?

Reporting Structure

- What should the committee's reporting structure be?
- Should the committee report to SGC or directly to the President?
- Should the committee function as an advisory group to SGC?

Communication and Feedback

- What should the communication and feedback loop look like?
- Should the committee present updates to senates, provide reports at College Assembly meetings, conduct informational roadshows, or host its own forums?

Membership and Leadership

- Who should chair the committee?
- Should the committee have a single chair or a co-chair model?
- What should the committee's membership structure be?
- Should technical budget experts serve as members or attend as needed?
- How many representatives from each constituency group should be included?