

Question Time

1. The following paragraph appears in an article entitled "Sutton Says 1991-92 a Balancing Act," in *Inside Purdue*, page 2, September 16, 1991:

As an example of this balance, he says, was the consultation by President Steven Beering and other administrators during the budget process in the Indiana Legislature. After the budget was passed, Sutton says administrators again worked with faculty leaders on how to make up for lower-than-expected funding.

My question is:

Because the salary increment policy and other budget-related policies were imposed by Purdue on all regional campuses, surely IPFW faculty leaders must have been consulted. Who were these IPFW faculty leaders and how were they selected?

Richard Pacer, Senator
Chemistry

2. Departments on campus have been informed that there are funds available for non-recurring expenditures. What is the source of these extra funds? Given the shortage of S&E funds which departments are facing, why cannot these funds be used to buttress S&E accounts if departments so wish?

James Lutz
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3. According to the explanation given to faculty, the 1991 salary distribution formula was to give a \$700.00 increment to 12-month (\$560.00 to 10-month) employees with annual salaries under \$40,000.00 and no increment for employees with salaries at \$40,000 or higher.

However, there was significant more salary increment money (recurring funds) in the IPFW 1991-92 budget than was allocated in accordance with the \$40,000.00 formula.

- a. How much salary increment money went undistributed this year?
- b. Who made the decision not to distribute all of the salary increment money allocated by the Indiana State Legislature? Why?
- c. Will this undistributed, recurring money be used this year? How? Will it ever be given to IPFW employees for salary increments?
- d. How many IPFW employees had additional monies added to their base salary that exceeded the above guidelines? For what reasons (promotion? equity? other?)?

William G. Frederick
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4. Could the Chancellor explain why Purdue University provides unequal and inferior pension benefits for clerical and service staff?

C. Jack Quinn
Manufacturing Technology

5. It has been reported that this year the library budget for books will be less than half of what it was last year. What steps is the administration taking to restore the budget now, and what long-range plans for a more permanent solution are there?

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6. Has the Chancellor any plans to discuss restoring the protections in the IPFW Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct for sexual orientation with President Beering and the Purdue University Board of Trustees?

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