## T0: Budget Advisory Committee

## FROM: Peter Harvey, Chief Financial Officer

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## Review of 2018-2019 Budget Results

Attached is the 2018-2019 year-end budget report. Enrollment for the year was 1519 FTE, which was just above budgeted enrollment of 1504 FTE. The discount rate of $40.7 \%$ was above the budgeted rate of $39.9 \%$. As a result, the college had a net tuition revenue shortfall of $\$ 214,000$. In addition, off campus studies had a $\$ 237,000$ program fee deficit due to increased student participation. These shortfalls were covered by the $\$ 1,335,000$ enrollment contingency.

Other than the net tuition revenue shortfall, the college had mostly positive operating results. The college had $\$ 805,000$ in department operating surpluses. There was a $\$ 416,000$ surplus in unrestricted Annual Fund gifts. These surpluses, combined with the unused enrollment contingency and unrestricted estate gifts, results in $\$ 5,074,000$ in surpluses available for trustee designation. The cabinet is recommending $\$ 4$ million in the surpluses be designated to endowment to support financial aid. The balance will be set aside to support future strategic priorities.

There was a $\$ 440,000$ surplus in fringe benefits. Residence Life had a $\$ 756,000$ surplus, and Food Service had a $\$ 13,000$ surplus. The bookstore had a $\$ 103,000$ deficit. These surpluses/deficits roll to their respective reserve accounts. The endowment return for the year was $3.9 \%$.

## 2019-2020 Budget Forecast

The first-year and transfer students for fall 2019 of 447 students is above the goal of 425 students. However, their financial aid costs of $49.4 \%$ discount rate are above the goal of 43.5\%.

The following is a comparison of fall 2018 with fall 2019:

|  | $\frac{\text { Fall } 2018}{}$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| FTE enrollment | 1532 |  |
| Gross tuition | $39,344,949$ |  |
| Financial aid | $(15,813,710)$ |  |
| Net tuition revenue | $23,531,239$ |  |
| Fall overall discount rate | $40.147,300$ |  |
| Fall first year \& transfer discount rate | $43.20 \%$ |  |

The following is our forecast for net tuition revenue for the year:

|  | Budget | Projected |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Enrollment | 1540 | 1565 |
| Discount rate | $40.80 \%$ | $42.6 \%$ |
| Gross tuition | $82,226,800$ | $83,590,225$ |
| Financial aid | $\frac{(33,570,780)}{48,696,020}$ | $(35,598,818)$ |
| Net tuition |  | $47,991,407$ |
| Estimated NTR shortfall |  | $\mathbf{( 7 0 4 , 6 1 3 )}$ |
| 1\% variance NTR |  | 480,000 |

There are many assumptions built into the forecast: attrition throughout the year; students participating in the pay-by-credit option their last semester; students returning from leaves of absence; the size of the spring class; and, the financial aid associated with all these students. Although the model is forecasting a $\$ 704,000$ shortfall, given the assumptions in the projection it is reasonable to expect a variance of up to $1 \%(\$ 480,000)$ in either direction. The budget includes a contingency of $\$ 1,680,000$.

## Budget Modeling for 2020-2021

Attached is a budget model to illustrate potential revenues and expenses for the next five years. The model indicates the key assumptions used in the projections. In our meeting, we will discuss the assumptions used and have the opportunity to change key variables in the model. The model projects a $\$ 1.1$ million shortfall in 2020-2021, before adding new expenses.

The model includes a sensitivity analysis showing the financial impact of changing key budget variables.

## Compensation for Faculty and Staff

Associate Dean for Faculty Development, Helen Kim and CFO Peter Harvey, will discuss the attached salary comparison data for faculty and staff.

## Proposed 2020-2021 Planning Assumptions

At their November meeting, the trustees will be asked to approve a set of planning assumptions for the cabinet to use in developing the 2020-2021 budget. The attached proposed assumptions are recommended by the President's Cabinet and are meant to be broad enough to provide reasonable flexibility in finalizing the budget. At our meeting, the committee will discuss the ranges so that the committee's input can be considered by the trustees.

|  | 2017/18 <br> Approved <br> Budget | $\begin{aligned} & \text { \% of } \\ & \text { Total } \end{aligned}$ | 2017/18 <br> Actual | 2018/19 <br> Approved <br> Budget | $\begin{aligned} & \text { \% of } \\ & \text { Total } \end{aligned}$ | 2018/19 <br> Actual |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CURRENT FUND SOURCES |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Full-time equivalent students | 1,500 |  | 1,495 | 1,504 |  | 1,519 |
| Annual tuition charge | 49,390 |  |  | 51,370 |  |  |
| Annual tuition increase | 4.00\% |  |  | 4.00\% |  |  |
| Discount rate | 36.25\% |  | 38.50\% | 39.90\% |  | 40.70\% |
| TUITION \& FEES | 74,102,886 |  | 73,819,906 | 77,281,006 |  | 78,012,496 |
| LESS UNRESTRICTED FINANCIAL AID | $(18,461,759)$ |  | $(18,375,959)$ | $(22,229,830)$ |  | $(21,131,466)$ |
| LESS RESTRICTED FINANCIAL AID | $(8,398,835)$ |  | $(10,018,579)$ | $(8,604,630)$ |  | $(10,648,246)$ |
| SUBTOTAL INSTITUTIONAL AID | $(26,860,594)$ |  | $(28,394,538)$ | $(30,834,460)$ |  | $(31,779,712)$ |
| NET TUITION REVENUE | 47,242,292 | 62\% | 45,425,368 | 46,446,546 | 61\% | 46,232,784 |
| INSTRUCTIONAL FEES | 396,795 | 1\% | 421,832 | 402,391 | 1\% | 595,273 |
| ANNUAL FUND GIFTS | 1,350,000 | 2\% | 1,963,487 | 1,650,000 | 2\% | 2,066,463 |
| FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID | 330,000 | 0\% | 326,089 | 330,000 | 0\% | 326,089 |
| ENDOWMENT INCOME | 24,336,634 | 32\% | 24,336,634 | 24,447,951 | 32\% | 24,447,951 |
| INVESTMENT INCOME | 25,000 | 0\% | 576,445 | 200,000 | 0\% | 966,168 |
| MISCELLANEOUS INCOME | 230,000 | 0\% | 213,126 | 230,000 | 0\% | 196,628 |
| ASWC FEES | 550,680 | 1\% | 556,403 | 567,200 | 1\% | 559,253 |
| SPONSORED PROGRAMS | 425,000 | 1\% | 536,367 | 425,000 | 1\% | 547,895 |
| AUXILIARY TRANSFER | 1,004,000 | 1\% | 1,004,000 | 1,029,000 | 1\% | 1,029,000 |
| USE OF RESTRICTED FUND BALANCES | 0 | 0\% | 736,862 | 0 | 0\% | 1,122,264 |
| SUBTOTAL EDUCATION \& GENERAL | 75,890,401 | 100\% | 76,096,613 | 75,728,088 | 100\% | 31,856,984 |
| RESIDENCE HALLS | 4,550,000 | 40\% | 4,532,878 | 4,640,000 | 40\% | 4,793,590 |
| FOOD SERVICE | 4,980,000 | 44\% | 4,963,361 | 5,250,000 | 45\% | 5,597,186 |
| BOOKSTORE | 1,050,000 | 9\% | 987,125 | 1,020,000 | 9\% | 983,039 |
| OTHER AUXILIARY | 710,000 | 6\% | 708,458 | 750,000 | 6\% | 783,233 |
| SUBTOTAL AUXILIARY | 11,290,000 | 100\% | 11,191,822 | 11,660,000 | 100\% | 12,157,048 |
| TOTAL CURRENT FUND SOURCES | 87,180,401 |  | 87,288,435 | 87,388,088 |  | 90,246,816 |


|  | 2017/18 <br> Approved <br> Budget | \% of <br> Total | 2017/18 <br> Actual | 2018/19 <br> Approved <br> Budget | $\begin{aligned} & \text { \% of } \\ & \text { Total } \end{aligned}$ | 2018/19 Actual |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CURRENT FUND USES |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Faculty salary change | 2.25\% |  |  | 2.25\% |  |  |
| Staff salary change | 2.25\% |  |  | 2.25\% |  |  |
| Fringe benefit rate - OPE | 39.00\% |  |  | 39.00\% |  |  |
| INSTRUCTION | 29,841,589 | 41\% | 29,148,356 | 29,380,018 | 40\% | 29,335,029 |
| ACADEMIC SUPPORT | 9,809,399 | 14\% | 9,052,365 | 9,615,440 | 13\% | 9,218,150 |
| SPONSORED PROGRAMS | 430,744 | 1\% | 536,367 | 430,816 | 1\% | 547,895 |
| STUDENT SERVICES | 10,292,432 | 14\% | 9,799,566 | 10,483,880 | 14\% | 10,127,294 |
| INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT | 12,128,782 | 17\% | 12,278,960 | 12,692,608 | 17\% | 12,966,187 |
| PHYSICAL PLANT | 9,758,455 | 13\% | 10,326,223 | 9,978,966 | 14\% | 9,759,963 |
| FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID | 180,000 | 0\% | 180,195 | 180,000 | 0\% | 172,694 |
| SUBTOTAL EDUCATION \& GENERAL | 72,441,401 | 100\% | 71,322,032 | 72,761,728 | 100\% | 72,127,212 |
| RESIDENCE HALLS | 4,027,000 | 38\% | 3,202,154 | 3,900,000 | 36\% | 3,297,302 |
| FOOD SERVICE | 4,897,000 | 46\% | 4,752,279 | 5,164,510 | 48\% | 5,498,460 |
| BOOKSTORE | 1,045,000 | 10\% | 1,068,659 | 1,014,850 | 9\% | 1,081,070 |
| OTHER AUXILIARY | 710,000 | 7\% | 672,137 | 750,000 | 7\% | 719,676 |
| SUBTOTAL AUXILIARY | 10,679,000 | 100\% | 9,695,229 | 10,829,360 | 100\% | 10,596,508 |
| SUBTOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES | 83,120,401 |  | 81,017,261 | 83,591,088 |  | 82,723,720 |
| CAMPUS REPLACEMENT RESERVE | 2,114,000 | 78\% | 2,114,000 | 1,631,360 | 66\% | 1,631,360 |
| AUXILIARY REPLACEMENT RESERVE | 611,000 | 22\% | 611,000 | 830,640 | 34\% | 830,640 |
| SUBTOTAL REPLACEMENT RESERVE | 2,725,000 | 100\% | 2,725,000 | 2,462,000 | 100\% | 2,462,000 |
| ENROLLMENT CONTINGENCY | 1,335,000 |  |  | 1,335,000 |  |  |
| TOTAL CURRENT FUND USES | 87,180,401 |  | 83,742,261 | 87,388,088 |  | 85,185,720 |
| NET SOURCES / (USES) | 0 |  | 3,546,174 | 0 |  | 5,061,096 |
| Net surpluses and contingencies to be designated by Trustees |  |  | (1,819,871) |  |  | $(3,526,390)$ |
| Department net (surplus) / deficit |  |  | $(840,710)$ |  |  | $(804,805)$ |
| Auxiliary net (surplus) / deficit |  |  | $(885,593)$ |  |  | $(729,901)$ |
| NET BUDGET BALANCE |  |  | 0 |  |  | 0 |

### 2020.2021 Budget Model

## Whitman College

Budget Model Summary

| Greater than baseline > Less than baseline > | 19/20 Approved |  | $\begin{gathered} 20 / 21 \\ \text { Estimated } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 21 / 22 \\ \text { Estimated } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 22 / 23 \\ \text { Estimated } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 23 / 24 \\ \text { Estimated } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 24 / 25 \\ \text { Estimated } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ASSUMPTIONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tuition Charge | 53,420 |  | 55,560 |  | 57,780 |  | 60,090 |  | 62,490 |  | 64,990 |
| Tuition Charge Increase +/- .25\% | 4.00\% | $\div$ | 4.00\% | $\div$ | 4.00\% | $\bullet$ | 4.00\% | $\div$ | 4.00\% | $\bullet$ | 4.00\% |
| Total Student Enrollment Forecast | 1,565 |  | 1,546 |  | 1,581 |  | 1,556 |  | 1,540 |  | 1,540 |
| Budgeted Total Student Enrollment | 1,540 |  | 1,540 |  | 1,540 |  | 1,540 |  | 1,540 |  | 1,540 |
| Entering New Students +/-5 | 425 | $\checkmark$ | 430 | $\checkmark$ | 430 | - | 430 | $\checkmark$ | 430 | $\checkmark$ | 430 |
| Overall annual discount rate | 40.81\% |  | 45.54\% |  | 46.56\% |  | 47.38\% |  | 46.95\% |  | 46.94\% |
| New Student Discount Rate +/- . $25 \%$ | 43.50\% | $\div$ | 47.00\% | $\div$ | 47.00\% | $\div$ | 47.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 47.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 47.00\% |
| Assumed Endowment Growth +/-. $5 \%$ | 10.10\% Actual |  | 3.98\% Actual | $\checkmark$ | 7.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 7.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 7.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 7.00\% |
| Unrestricted Endowment Gifts +/- \$500,000 | 10,271,297 Actual |  | 1,399,518 Actual | $\checkmark$ | 2,000,000 | $\checkmark$ | 2,000,000 | $\checkmark$ | 2,000,000 | $\checkmark$ | 2,000,000 |
| Annual Fund Gifts +/- \$50,000 | 1,850,000 | $\checkmark$ | 2,200,000 | $\checkmark$ | 2,300,000 | $\checkmark$ | 2,400,000 | $\checkmark$ | 2,500,000 | $\bullet$ | 2,500,000 |
| Faculty Salary Change +/-. $25 \%$ | 3.50\% | $\div$ | 2.00\% | $\div$ | 3.00\% | $\square$ | 3.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 3.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 3.00\% |
| Staff Salary Change +/- . $25 \%$ | 4.50\% | $\checkmark$ | 2.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 3.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 3.00\% | $\bullet$ | 3.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 3.00\% |
| Fringe Benefit Rate - OPE +/- .25\% | 39.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 38.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 38.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 38.00\% | $\div$ | 38.00\% | $\checkmark$ | 38.00\% |
| MODELED SURPLUSES / (DEFICITS) | 0 |  | $(1,090,198)$ |  | $(1,034,577)$ |  | $(1,145,100)$ |  | 283,831 |  | 740,425 |
| NET CHANGE TO / (FROM) BASELINE MODEL |  |  | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 |

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Budget Model Summary

## REVENUES

Tuition \& Fees
Institutional aid
Net tuition revenue
Endowment support
All other revenues
TOTAL REVENUES

## EXPENSES

Tenure and tenure track faculty compensation
Non-tenure track faculty compensation
Staff compensation
Fringe benefits on all compensation
All other expenses
TOTAL EXPENSES
MODELED SURPLUSES / (DEFICITS)
Net change to / (from) baseline
BASELINE SURPLUSES / (DEFICITS)

## SENSITIVITY

Change staff and faculty salary pools by $1 \%$
Change tuition charge by $1 \%$
Change student FTEs by 10
433,519
287,823
Change incoming student discount rate by $1 \%$

| $\mathbf{1 9 / 2 0}$ <br> Approved |
| ---: |
| $82,266,800$ |
| $(33,570,780)$ |
| $48,696,020$ |
| $25,467,600$ |
| $16,968,938$ |
| $91,132,558$ |
|  |
| $13,427,221$ |
| $4,024,453$ |
| $19,886,652$ |
| $14,449,045$ |
| $39,345,187$ |
| $91,132,558$ |

0

| $\mathbf{2 0 / 2 1}$ |
| :---: |
| Estimated |
|  |
| $85,562,400$ |
| $(38,962,194)$ |
| $46,600,206$ |
| $26,455,061$ |
| $17,604,451$ |
| $90,659,718$ |

13,793,907
4,104,942
20,284,385

| $14,405,901$ |
| :--- |
| $39,160,782$ |

$\qquad$
$(1,090,198)$
$\qquad$
0
$(1,090,198)$

225,403

| $\mathbf{2 2 / 2 3}$ <br> Estimated <br>  <br> $92,538,600$ <br> $(43,840,321)$ <br> $48,698,279$ <br> $27,943,078$ <br> $18,499,410$ <br> $95,140,767$ <br>  <br> $14,633,014$ <br> $4,354,933$ <br> $21,519,704$ <br> $15,368,370$ <br> $40,409,845$ <br> $96,285,866$ <br> $(1,145,100)$ <br> 0 |
| ---: |


| 23/24 | 24/25 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Estimated | Estimated |
| 96,234,600 | 100,084,600 |
| $(45,181,820)$ | $(46,980,861)$ |
| 51,052,780 | 53,103,739 |
| 28,669,066 | 29,228,898 |
| 18,962,603 | 19,336,692 |
| 98,684,449 | 101,669,329 |
| 15,071,145 | 15,520,982 |
| 4,485,581 | 4,620,148 |
| 22,165,295 | 22,830,254 |
| 15,829,157 | 16,303,327 |
| 40,849,439 | 41,654,193 |
| 98,400,618 | 100,928,904 |
| 283,831 | 740,425 |
| 0 | 0 |
| 283,831 | 740,425 |

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Budget Model

| 19/20 | \% | 20/21 | \% | 21/22 | \% | 22/23 | \% | 23/24 | \% | 24/25 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Approved | Total | Estimated | Total | Estimated | Total | Estimated | Total | Estimated | Total | Estimated | Tot |

CURRENT FUND REVENUES
ASSUMPTIONS
Tuition Charge
Annual Full-Time Paid Equivalent Students
Tuition Charge Increase
Tuition Discount Rate
Endowment Payout Rate
Assumed Endowment Growth
Room Rate Change
Board Rate Change

TUITION \& FEES
UNRESTRICTED INSTITUTIONAL AID RESTRICTED INSTITUTIONAL AID

SUBTOTAL INSTITUTIONAL AID
NET TUITION REVENUE
INSTRUCTIONAL FEES
ANNUAL FUND GIFTS
FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID
ENDOWMENT INCOME
INVESTMENT INCOME
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME
ASWC INCOME
SPONSORED PROGRAMS
AUXILIARY TRANSFER
SUBTOTAL EDUCATION \& GENERAL

RESIDENCE HALLS
FOOD SERVICE
bOokstore
OTHER AUXILIARY
SUBTOTAL AUXILIARY
TOTAL CURRENT FUND REVENUES
$-\quad 91,132,558$

## $90,659,718$

92,995,391

| $95,140,767$ |
| :--- | $\qquad$

64,990
1,540
$4.00 \%$
$46.94 \%$
$5.00 \%$
$7.00 \%$
$3.00 \%$
$3.00 \%$

| $100,084,600$ |  |
| ---: | ---: |
| $(36,15,630)$ |  |
| $(10,826,231)$ | $77.0 \%$ |
| $(46,980,861)$ |  |
| $53,103,739$ | $60 \%$ |
| 402,391 | $0 \%$ |
| $2,500,000$ | $3 \%$ |
| 330,000 | $0 \%$ |
| $29,228,898$ | $33 \%$ |
| 500,000 | $1 \%$ |
| 150,000 | $0 \%$ |
| 677,266 | $1 \%$ |
| 425,000 | $0 \%$ |
| 940,000 | $1 \%$ |

88,257,294 $\quad 100 \%$

|  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $5,222,142$ | $36 \%$ | $5,378,807$ | $36 \%$ |
| $6,086,189$ | $41 \%$ | $6,268,775$ | $41 \%$ |
| 960,127 | $7 \%$ | 966,596 | $7 \%$ |
| 789,213 | $6 \%$ | 797,858 | $6 \%$ |
|  | $43,057,672$ | $400 \%$ | $13,412,035$ |

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| 19/20 | \% | 20/21 | \% | 21/22 | \% | 22/23 | \% | 23/24 | \% | 24/25 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Approved | Total | Estimated | Total | Estimated | Total | Estimated | Total | Estimated | Total | Estimated | Total |

CURRENT FUND EXPENSES
ASSUMPTIONS
Faculty Salary Change
Staff Salary Change
Fringe Benefit Rate - OPE

INSTRUCTION
ACADEMIC SUPPORT
SPONSORED PROGRAMS
STUDENT SERVICES
INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT
PHYSICAL PLANT
FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID
SUBTOTAL EDUCATION \& GENERAL

RESIDENCE HALLS
FOOD SERVICE
bOokstore
OTHER AUXILIARY
SUBTOTAL AUXILIARY
SUBTOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES
CAMPUS REPLACEMENT RESERVE AUXILIARY REPLACEMENT RESERVE

SUBTOTAL REPLACEMENT RESERVE
ENROLLMENT CONTINGENCY
TOTAL CURRENT FUND EXPENSES
NET SURPLUSES / (DEFICITS)

| 3.50\% |  | 2.00\% |  | 3.00\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4.50\% |  | 2.00\% |  | 3.00\% |  |
| 39.00\% |  | 38.00\% |  | 38.00\% |  |
| 30,027,541 | 40\% | 30,434,058 | 40\% | 31,413,928 | 40\% |
| 9,917,272 | 13\% | 10,014,442 | 13\% | 10,216,110 | 13\% |
| 430,933 | 1\% | 431,180 | 1\% | 431,400 | 1\% |
| 11,243,911 | 15\% | 11,416,313 | 15\% | 11,665,682 | 15\% |
| 13,981,114 | 18\% | 14,115,964 | 18\% | 14,430,814 | 18\% |
| 10,137,457 | 13\% | 10,184,642 | 13\% | 10,291,924 | 13\% |
| 180,000 | 0\% | 180,000 | 0\% | 180,000 | 0\% |
| 75,918,228 | 100\% | 76,776,599 | 100\% | 78,629,859 | 100\% |
| 4,019,000 | 36\% | 4,019,000 | 36\% | 4,139,570 | 36\% |
| 5,317,500 | 48\% | 5,479,725 | 49\% | 5,644,117 | 49\% |
| 934,363 | 8\% | 936,830 | 8\% | 942,749 | 8\% |
| 761,467 | 7\% | 764,763 | 7\% | 772,673 | 7\% |
| 11,032,330 | 100\% | 11,200,317 | 100\% | 11,499,110 | 100\% |
| 86,950,558 |  | 87,976,916 |  | 90,128,968 |  |
| 1,647,000 | 66\% | 1,753,000 | 67\% | 1,831,500 | 68\% |
| 855,000 | 34\% | 855,000 | 33\% | 880,500 | 32\% |
| 2,502,000 | 100\% | 2,608,000 | 100\% | 2,712,000 | 100\% |
| 1,680,000 |  | 1,165,000 |  | 1,189,000 |  |
| 91,132,558 |  | 91,749,916 |  | 94,029,968 |  |
| 0 |  | $(1,090,198)$ |  | $(1,034,577)$ |  |


| 3.00\% |  | 3.00\% |  | 3.00\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3.00\% |  | 3.00\% |  | 3.00\% |  |
| 38.00\% |  | 38.00\% |  | 38.00\% |  |
| 32,379,148 | 40\% | 33,112,985 | 40\% | 34,251,118 | 41\% |
| 10,390,154 | 13\% | 10,582,361 | 13\% | 10,765,258 | 13\% |
| 431,528 | 1\% | 431,698 | 1\% | 431,829 | 1\% |
| 11,908,226 | 15\% | 12,163,545 | 15\% | 12,420,119 | 15\% |
| 14,751,809 | 18\% | 15,083,703 | 18\% | 15,424,075 | 18\% |
| 10,400,135 | 13\% | 10,512,471 | 13\% | 10,627,153 | 13\% |
| 180,000 | 0\% | 180,000 | 0\% | 180,000 | 0\% |
| 80,441,001 | 100\% | 82,066,764 | 100\% | 84,099,552 | 100\% |
| 4,263,757 | 36\% | 4,391,670 | 36\% | 4,523,420 | 36\% |
| 5,813,440 | 49\% | 5,987,843 | 49\% | 6,167,479 | 50\% |
| 948,847 | 8\% | 955,127 | 8\% | 961,596 | 8\% |
| 780,821 | 7\% | 789,213 | 7\% | 797,858 | 6\% |
| 11,806,865 | 100\% | 12,123,854 | 100\% | 12,450,352 | 100\% |
| 92,247,866 |  | 94,190,618 |  | 96,549,904 |  |
| 1,914,235 | 68\% | 2,000,182 | 68\% | 2,089,318 | 68\% |
| 906,765 | 32\% | 933,818 | 32\% | 961,682 | 32\% |
| 2,821,000 | 100\% | 2,934,000 | 100\% | 3,051,000 | 100\% |
| 1,217,000 |  | 1,276,000 |  | 1,328,000 |  |
| 96,285,866 |  | 98,400,618 |  | 100,928,904 |  |
| $\underline{(1,145,100)}$ |  | 283,831 |  | $\underline{740,425}$ |  |

## Whitman College <br> Staff Salaries and Market Analysis 2019

## Recent History of Staff Salary Budget

|  | July 2015 | July 2016 | July 2017 | July 2018 | July 2019 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Total Sal. Budget Increase | $3.50 \%$ | $3.00 \%$ | $2.25 \%$ | $2.25 \%$ | $4.50 \%$ |
| Merit Increase Pool | $2.00 \%$ | $2.00 \%$ | $2.00 \%$ | $2.00 \%$ | $3.00 \%$ |
| Equity Increase Pool | $1.50 \%$ | $1.00 \%$ | $0.25 \%$ | $0.25 \%$ | $1.50 \%$ |

## 2019 Overview

In 2019, Whitman used multiple sources of data to assess individual and overall compensation relative to the market. Using a more inclusive matching standard, the College compared $94 \%$ of exempt positions and $97 \%$ of non-exempt positions to survey data. The data source for exempt surveys comes from the CUPA (College and University Professionals in Human Resources) compensation surveys, filtered for our select peer groups. The primary data for non-exempt positions was the CUPA non-exempt survey, validated against a limited number of positions in the Whitman College Local Non Exempt Salary Survey and the Washington State Occupational Employment Survey.

While all positions are subject to an annual salary review, we use these matched positions to assess Whitman's position relative to the market. Beginning in July 2019, Whitman College has strategically placed the target for a fully competent individual with several years of experience to be at $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ of the median for the CUPA survey. The target was previously $90 \%$ of the median.

For more than seven years, Whitman has used a portion of the overall salary increase budget to bring identified individual positions, and overall salaries, closer to the external market, and to apply extra funds to those positions whose salary is increasing faster than the general market. For 2019-20, the budgeted staff salary increase pool was $4.5 \%$. The College allocated $3 \%$ to regular staff salary increases. The College allocated $1.5 \%$ to individual market equity issues, including the rising minimum wage and some corresponding wage compression concerns.

## Cumulative Staff Salaries

| EXEMPT | July 2015 | July 2016 | July 2017 | July 2018 | July 2019*** |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Median of Salaries as a percent <br> of targets (excl .Budget <br> Officers)*** | $95.7 \%$ | $97.1 \%$ | $96.4 \%$ | $99.0 \%$ |  |
| Sum of distance between <br> salaries and target | $(\$ 158,296)^{*}$ | $(\$ 33,154)^{*}$ | $(\$ 120,554)^{*}$ | $(\$ 92,531)^{*}$ | $(\$ 595,200)^{*}$ |


| NON EXEMPT | July 2015 | July 2016 | July 2017 | July 2018 | July 2019 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Median of Salaries as a percent <br> of targets** | $101.80 \%$ | $102.2 \%$ | $102.6 \%$ | $103.01 \%$ | $94.14 \%$ |
| Sum of distance between <br> salaries and target | $164,662^{* *}$ | $\$ 173,254^{* *}$ | $\$ 196,726^{* *}$ | $\$ 162.146^{* *}$ | $(\$ 359,254)^{*}$ |

*** The Median is calculated from the individual salaries of all the matched positions, those above, below, and at the market target.

* (negative number is below target)
** positive number is above target
*** In 2919 the target was redefined to $100 \%$ of median. For prior years, the target was $90 \%$ of median.


## 2019 Results

In 2019, the College set and achieved some bold goals with the $4.5 \%$ staff salary increase budget.

1. Create a Whitman Minimum Wage of $\mathbf{\$ 1 5 / h r}$. For 2019, we set the minimum starting rate for any regular staff position on campus at $\$ 15 /$ hour. As a comparison, the state minimum wage in January 2020 will be $\$ 13.50 /$ hour. Last year, in 2018, $10 \%$ of our total regular staff positions earned less than $\$ 15 /$ hour. This affected 37 staff positions.
2. Raise salaries for those under $\$ 20 /$ hr. by additional $1.5 \%$. Raising the minimum Whitman wage to $\$ 15$, created upward wage compression. Last year $35 \%$ of our employees earned between $\$ 15-\$ 20 /$ hour. The College was able to increase these salaries by $4.5 \%$ (instead of roughly $3 \%$ ) for 130 employees..
3. Raise the target to $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ of Market Median In 2019, Whitman College strategically placed the market target to be at $100 \%$ of the median for the CUPA survey. This moved the target a full $10 \%$ from the prior year and one might have expected at least a $10 \%$ decrease in the overall median of salaries relative market survey data. In fact, the Median of Salaries measure did not fall by a full $10 \%$ for either exempt or non-exempt staff.
....And leave no satisfactory performer under $80 \%$ of the new market median With the new salaries,

- About $1 \%$ are below $80 \%$ of the median;
- $26 \%$ between $80-90 \%$ of the median;
- $39 \%$ between $90-100 \%$ of the median;
- $23 \%$ are above $100 \%$;
- Market data was not available for some positions.

4. Respond to local market pressures on non-exempt positions In some instances, local data reflected higher compensation for non-exempt positions than the CUPA data. The compensation plan was adjusted, raising the lower rungs of the administrative job family to new matches, and allocating additional increases to custodians, security and landscape specialists to stay competitive in the local market.

## 2020-2021 Challenges

- Review mid-level positions for wage compression due to focus on lower level compensation in 2019-20.
- Be aware that growing worker shortages may require attention to increased competitive compensation to assure successful retention and recruitment.
- Federal FLSA may require a few modest increases for exempt salary threshold. New threshold is $\$ 35,568$ ( $\$ 684 /$ week).
- Washington State has proposed a significant increase for the exempt salary threshold to $\mathbf{\$ 4 9 , 0 0 0}$ ( $\mathbf{\$ 9 4 5 / w e e k ) ~ e f f e c t i v e ~}$ as of July 2020. This threshold would increase at least yearly through 2026 to a high of $\$ 79,872$ ( $\$ 1536 /$ week). The threshold is a calculation based on minimum wage and may continue after 2026. If an exempt employee's salary is below the new threshold, the employee will not be exempt from Washington State's overtime rule. The employee will need to keep track of the hours worked, and will be paid overtime for work in excess of 40 hours per week. Continued monitoring and review is necessary as the future of this proposed change becomes more certain. This would likely affect a vast number of exempt employees and will require projections of the cost of overtime for positions formerly exempt, or the cost of salary increases to assure some positions retain their exempt status.

| Comparative Salary Data 2018-19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Peer Schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Professor |  |  | Associate |  |  | Assistant |  |  |
| School | N | Average | School | N | Average | School | N | Average |
| Colby | 63 | 147,362 | Colby | 52 | 106,990 | Colby | 59 | 89,212 |
| Colorado | 70 | 138,805 | Colorado | 59 | 103,993 | Carleton | 39 | 86,627 |
| Carleton | 107 | 138,144 | Carleton | 51 | 101,381 | Colorado | 52 | 85,337 |
| Occidental | 74 | 134,136 | Davidson | 32 | 99,131 | Davidson | 41 | 82,363 |
| Union | 86 | 133,643 | Union | 60 | 98,913 | F + M | 44 | 80,479 |
| Davidson | 98 | 133,338 | Occidental | 48 | 95,102 | Occidental | 28 | 80,305 |
| Macalester | 76 | 125,461 | $F+M$ | 74 | 94,621 | Macalester | 34 | 79,412 |
| Reed | 77 | 124,893 | Macalester | 41 | 93,543 | Reed | 28 | 78,034 |
| $F+M$ | 73 | 122,623 | Whitman | 54 | 92,060 | Dickinson | 54 | 77,052 |
| Whitman | 41 | 118,237 | Reed | 36 | 91,357 | Union | 30 | 76,975 |
| Dickinson | 60 | 110,530 | Dickinson | 81 | 88,219 | Whitman | 41 | 74,086 |
| Rhodes | 32 | 106,465 | Kenyon | 52 | 85,746 | Kenyon | 48 | 69,231 |
| Kenyon | 68 | 104,151 | Rhodes | 71 | 76,488 | Rhodes | 67 | 66,083 |
| Median |  | \$125,461 |  |  | \$94,621 |  |  | \$79,412 |
| \% Difference |  | -6.1\% |  |  | -2.8\% |  |  | -7.2\% |


| Comparative Salary Data 2017-18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Peer Schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Professor |  |  | Associate |  |  | Assistant |  |  |
| School | N | Average | School | N | Average | School | N | Average |
| Colby | 66 | 144,657 | Colby | 51 | 104,634 | Colby | 53 | 85,554 |
| Carleton | 101 | 135,914 | Carleton | 50 | 101,167 | Carleton | 43 | 83,697 |
| Colorado | 66 | 135,662 | Colorado | 59 | 100,514 | Colorado | 52 | 82,680 |
| Occidental | 71 | 133,490 | Davidson | 30 | 98,753 | Union | 31 | 78,911 |
| Davidson | 100 | 130,385 | Union | 57 | 95,126 | $F+\mathrm{M}$ | 48 | 78,706 |
| Union | 88 | 130,137 | Occidental | 48 | 94,004 | Occidental | 28 | 78,636 |
| Macalester | 68 | 124,219 | Macalester | 45 | 91,607 | Macalester | 29 | 77,684 |
| Whitman | 40 | 121,902 | Whitman | 53 | 90,945 | Davidson | 52 | 74,841 |
| $F+\mathrm{M}$ | 74 | 119,850 | $F+M$ | 71 | 90,814 | Dickinson | 73 | 72,359 |
| Reed | 75 | 114,864 | Reed | 37 | 89,765 | Whitman | 50 | 71,350 |
| Dickinson | 57 | 111,416 | Dickinson | 77 | 88,482 | Reed | 27 | 69,179 |
| Rhodes | 32 | 105,414 | Kenyon | 53 | 83,465 | Kenyon | 42 | 68,632 |
| Kenyon | 71 | 102,415 | Rhodes | 72 | 75,659 | Rhodes | 69 | 65,489 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Median |  | \$124,219 |  |  | \$91,607 |  |  | \$77,684 |
| \% Difference |  | -1.9\% |  |  | -0.7\% |  |  | -8.9\% |


| Comparative Salary Data 2016-17 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Peer Schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Professor |  |  | Associate |  |  | Assistant |  |  |
| School | N | Average | School | N | Average | School | N | Average |
| Colby | 68 | 141,280 | Davidson | 29 | 100,588 | Carleton | 39 | 83,869 |
| Colorado | 67 | 135,013 | Colby | 50 | 100,360 | Colby | 66 | 81,032 |
| Occidental | 72 | 132,536 | Carleton | 49 | 98,501 | Colorado | 47 | 79,987 |
| Carleton | 102 | 131,873 | Colorado | 56 | 98,030 | Union | 30 | 78,713 |
| Davidson | 96 | 129,674 | Union | 58 | 93,075 | Occidental | 30 | 77,059 |
| Union | 86 | 127,733 | Occidental | 43 | 92,583 | $F+\mathrm{M}$ | 48 | 76,815 |
| Whitman | 33 | 122,526 | Whitman | 54 | 90,934 | Macalester | 31 | 75,024 |
| Macalester | 67 | 121,300 | Macalester | 47 | 89,695 | Reed | 27 | 74,277 |
| F + M | 72 | 118,316 | $F+M$ | 70 | 89,077 | Davidson | 55 | 73,180 |
| Reed | 74 | 117,725 | Reed | 35 | 87,426 | Whitman | 51 | 70,786 |
| Dickinson | 55 | 111,626 | Dickinson | 91 | 87,123 | Dickinson | 61 | 70,509 |
| Rhodes | 31 | 105,494 | Kenyon | 47 | 82,476 | Rhodes | 49 | 68,305 |
| Kenyon | 75 | 102,058 | Rhodes | 73 | 76,120 | Kenyon | 42 | 67,478 |
| Median |  | \$122,526 |  |  | \$90,934 |  |  | \$75,024 |
| \% Difference |  | 0.0\% |  |  | 0.0\% |  |  | -6.0\% |


|  | Actual 2019-2020 |  | Proposed 2020-2021 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Budgeted Enrollment (Forecast: 1546) $(10$ students $=\$ 288,000)$ |  | 1540 | 1540-1555 |
| Target first year \& transfer students |  | 425 FTE | 425-435 FTE |
| Enrollment Contingency (target 2.5\% of NTR) |  | \$1,650,000 | \$1,000,000-\$1,250,000 |
| Tuition Increase ( $1 \%=\$ 434,000$ ) |  | 4.0\% | 3.0\% - 4.0\% |
| Tuition Discount (Excluding Federal Support) <br> (Forecast: 45.54\%) $(.50 \%=\$ 394,000)$ |  | 40.81\% | 44.5\%-46.5\% |
| Target first year \& transfer discount rate |  | 47.0\% | 46.0\% - 49.0\% |
| Endowment Payout |  | $\begin{array}{r} 5.0 \% \\ \$ 25,468,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 5.0 \% \\ \$ 26,445,000-\$ 26,645,000 \end{array}$ |
| Annual Fund Gifts |  | \$1,850,000 | \$2,100,000-\$2,300,000 |
| Life Cycle Contributions $(.1 \%=\$ 417,000)$ | (.59\%) | \$2,502,000 | (.59\%) \$2,608,000 |
| Merit Salary Pool for Faculty $(1 \%=\$ 238,000)$ |  | 3.0\% | 0\% - 2.0\% |
| Promotion Salary Pool for Faculty |  | . $5 \%$ | 0\% - 1.0\% |
| Merit Salary Pool for Staff $(1 \%=\$ 254,000)$ |  | 3\% | 0\% - 2.0\% |
| Equity Salary Pool for Staff |  | 1.5\% | 0\% - 1.0\% |
| Fringe Benefit Rate $(.50 \%=\$ 182,000)$ |  | 39.0\% | 37\% - 38.5\% |
| Room Increase $(1 \%=\$ 48,000)$ |  | 3.0\% | 0\% - 3.0\% |
| Board Increase $(1 \%=\$ 54,000)$ |  | 3.0\% | 2.0\% - 4.0\% |
| Potential reallocations and growth of revenues |  | \$903,000 | \$750,000-\$1,500,000 |

