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Dear Campus Community,

Provost Thomas Sudkamp, CFO Jeff Ulliman, and I, with help from a number of sectors of the university, are in the final stages of adjusting the projected FY18 budget. The new budget will balance and meet the target of cutting \$30 million from the current base, as well as begin the task of rebuilding the university's vital reserves. Getting there has taken serious reductions in the ongoing activities of the university, with direct changes to personnel and operations.

Wright State employees impacted by personnel changes can expect to be notified starting the week of June 12.

We will present our budget proposal during the Board of Trustees Finance Committee meeting on Friday, May 19, at 9 a.m. Because the Science Olympiad National Tournament has reserved most meeting rooms on campus, the Finance Committee meeting will be held at 2455 Presidential Drive, across Colonel Glenn Highway.

Please note the budget presentation is just one item on the meeting agenda. This meeting is not a replacement for the board's annual budget workshop on June 8.

Employees have asked that we stream board meetings online. You can watch the Finance Committee meeting on the university Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/WrightStateUniversity>

Supervisors and managers are asked to provide employees with the time to attend or watch the meeting as business conditions allow.

Next week you can expect to learn the following from me:

- Estimated personnel changes
- Details about operational changes

The Board of Trustees will make the budget proposal available online beginning next Friday and will accept responses from Wright State email addresses from university community members until June 5. The board will vote on the proposal at its budget workshop on June 8.

You should also know that the board is considering a proposal to change the classified reduction in force policy for non-bargaining unit classified employees. You can learn more about this proposed policy change and submit comments on it until June 4 at <http://wright.edu/classifiedlayoffpolicy>

While this has been a tough and traumatic time for the university, and persons have been hurt, these current reductions in the budget amount to less than 10 percent of our operation. Our mission and our commitment to it remains.

Curtis L. McCray  
Interim President

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