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The Budget Committee met in the Fall and Spring semesters this year (2021-2022), primarily to monitor the activities of the administration, including the new Grey & Associates study which has only just begun its work. The Committee also monitored the work of the Chancellor's campus-wide Indirect Cost Recovery Task Force, to ensure proper capture and dissemination of indirect research funds, as some committee members were also members of the Task Force. Throughout this academic year, the Faculty Association were engaged in union negotiations and, again, the Budget Committee was fortunate to have members involved in that process who could help to monitor those activities. In the Spring semester, the Budget Committee drafted written questions for the Chancellor and Provost on specific budgetary matters, including state funding and repayment of the university's debts. Those questions were sent in advance, and at the next Faculty Senate meeting the Chancellor and Provost provided full responses. As the year closes, the Budget Committee members have expressed an interest in researching internal salary equity for faculty members next year, including a focus on salary compression concerns and gender diversity equity.