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To: <u>faculty</u>; <u>staff</u>

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## Dear Texas State faculty and staff,

Over the past 18 months, Texas State University has embarked on a journey to enhance our legacy budget allocation process to make it more strategic and transparent. While no changes to our budget processes were ever contemplated for FY26 (which starts 9/1/2025), our original timeline called for running a pilot program using alternate budget reporting for FY26 to gather additional feedback and inform any decisions we might want to consider for FY27.

In order to provide more time for reflection and feedback, and to await the final results of the current legislative session on our budget and operations, we will spend an additional year preparing, researching, planning, and discussing our options before introducing a pilot program. Therefore, we will not be distributing "parallel" budget reporting next fiscal year. However, we will continue to make strategic changes and improvements to our budget approach within the structure of our current budget model.

This project has already yielded several benefits to the university community, including hosting multiple educational sessions on budgeting and resource allocation for academic leaders, having a committee learn about university budgeting approaches and debate possible changes openly, and providing training on the entrepreneurial role of the Dean. More directly, the project has resulted in a complete review of the "Academic Profit and Loss" statements that we have historically relied on, greatly improving their accuracy.

I want to take a moment to recognize the work that has been done to get us to this point and the efforts of faculty and staff across the university. As we move forward, we invite you to join us on this continuing journey and to share your thoughts and ideas to help shape our future. Together we will focus on the following next steps in the coming year:

- 1. **Continued Research and Planning**: We will continue researching, discussing and planning to ensure that a future budget model is well-informed and strategically sound.
- 2. **Engagement and Feedback**: We will continue to engage with Deans, Chairs, Directors, and other stakeholders to gather feedback and ensure that their insights are incorporated.
- 3. **Educational Sessions**: We will host additional educational sessions on budgeting and resource allocation to keep the university leadership informed and involved.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement in this important initiative.

Have a wonderful summer, Eric Algoe Executive Vice President for Operations & Chief Financial Officer

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