

EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

2024 Faculty Senate Budget Committee Report

AN ATTEMPT TO ANSWER:

- How much money do we have?
- Do we have sufficient resources?
- Why the financial drama every spring?







What is a Budget

 The story of the community's hopes, dreams, and aspirations for its students.

- Roadmap
- Reflection of priorities (should be)



Budget Philosophy & Practices

- Ever changing vs. fixed target FY23 budget was 20+% off (Caused the Drama)
- Incremental vs. hybrid zero based budgeting (Good practice, not innovative)
- Strategic reserves (Intended to prevent Drama)

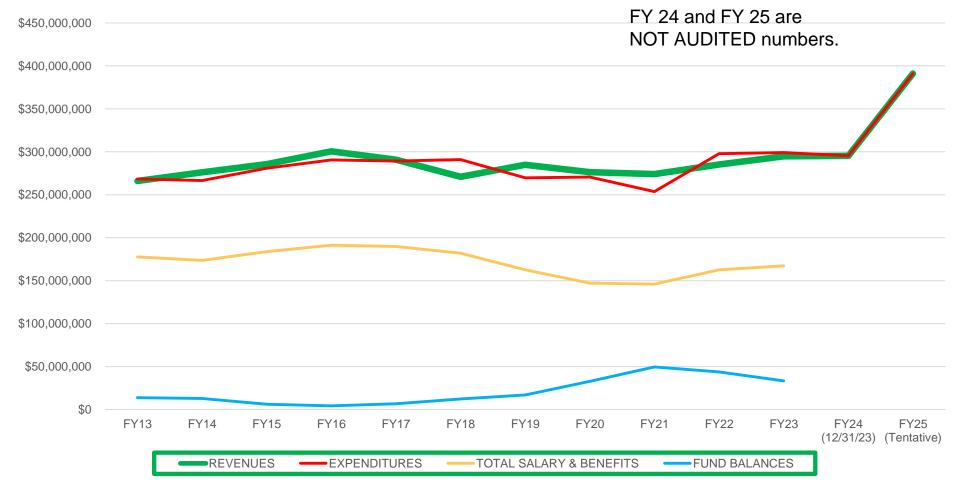


Budget Analysis & Financial Condition

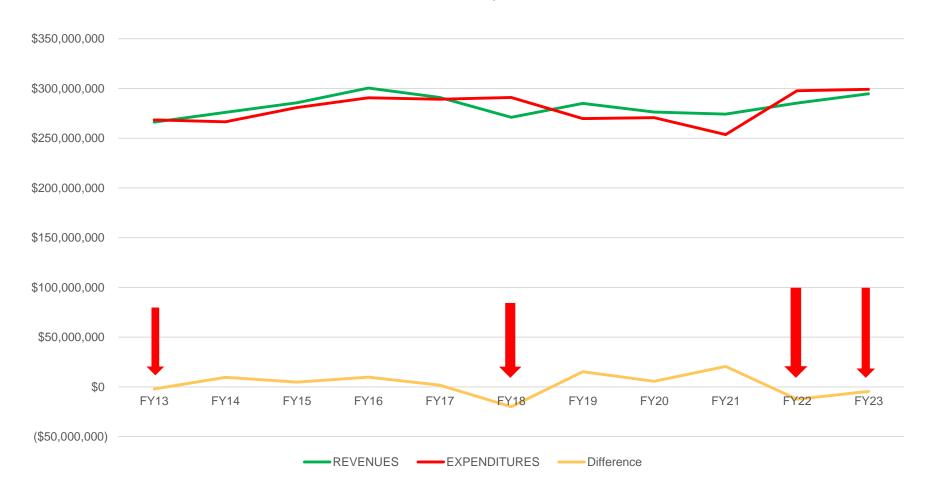
- Presents the finances in plain English.
- Some data have been collapsed or removed for purposes of presentation (some areas will inherently be estimates).
- These (removed) data tend to be about pension liabilities and governmental accounting standards that auditors need more than the general public.

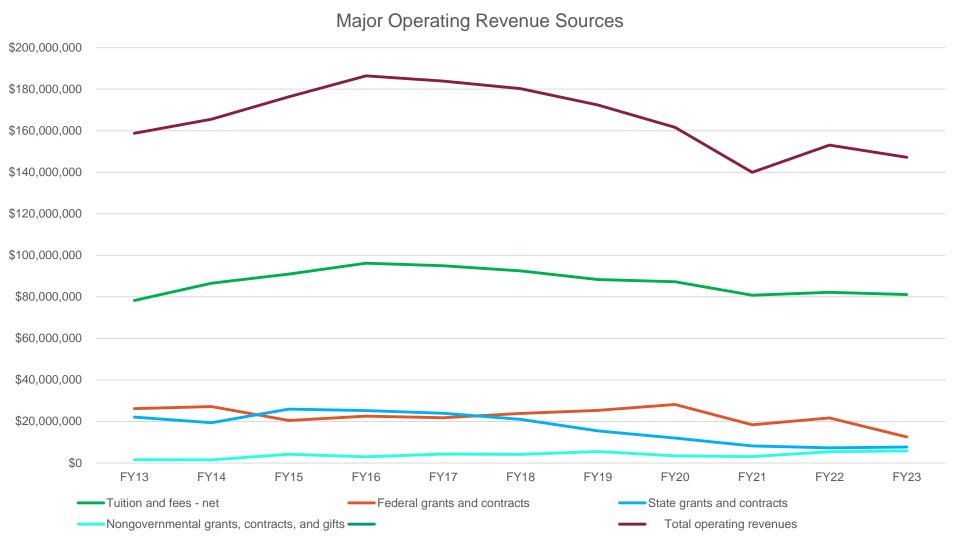


EKU Finances



Revenue vs. Expenditures





Do we have money in the bank?

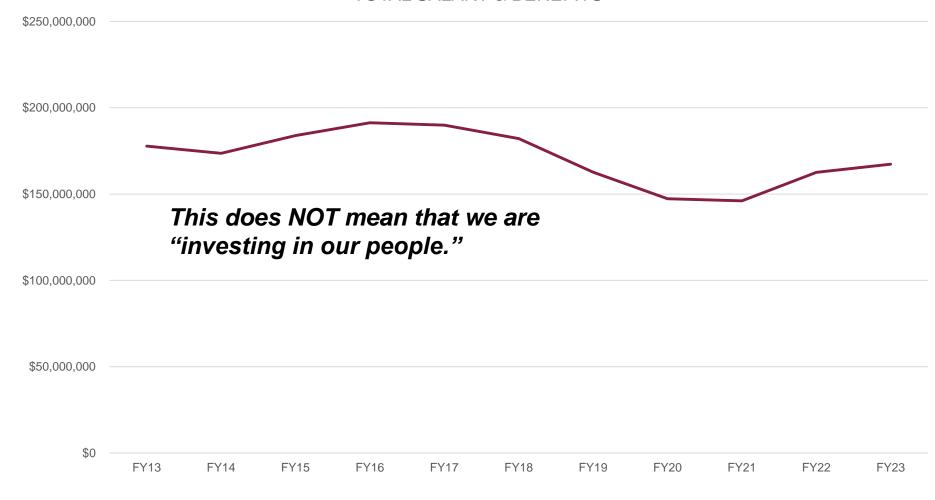
FUND BALANCE



Fund Balances vs. Surplus/Deficits



TOTAL SALARY & BENEFITS



The problem with moving targets...

	Revenue	Expenditures
Approved 2022-23 Budget	\$362,527,084	\$362,527,084
Revised 6/30/23 Financial Report	\$281,481,499	\$291,516,639
Actual 6/30/23 Amounts	\$278,225,617	\$285,720,927
Variance Between Budget and Actual	(\$84,301,467)	(\$76,806,157)
Variance Between Revenues and Expenditures (Deficit spending)	(\$7,495,310)	
Percentage off from budget	23.25%	21.19%

2023-24 TENTATIVE BUDGET

2024-25 Tentative Operating Budget
Revenues \$391,138,874
Expenditures \$391,138,874
Difference \$0

2% across the board raises



Concerns/Positives

Concerns:

- Deficit spending for the past two years
- Changing the budget during the year without Board of Regents' approval
- Absence of any kind of long range financial plan (3-5 years)
- Need to increase fund balances for long term financial health
- 2% across the board raises
- Need for additional state funding

Positives:

- Avoiding the spring drama
- Hybrid zero based budgeting
- Strategic Reserves from a budget management perspective



THANK YOU!

