# System Finances (Finance 101)

















Board of Trustees November 2012

#### Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system is an Equal Opportunity employer and educator.

#### **Board Responsibilities**

- Finance Committee Charge in Board Policy
  - Provide Oversight
  - Set Policy
  - Approve Certain Decisions



## Financial Decisions Requiring Board Approval

- Revenue and Expenditure Annual Operating Budget Plans
- Establishment of Reserve Policy
- Biennial Budget Requests
- Tuition and Fee Rates and Optional Fee Maximums
- Room and Board and Student Union Facilities Rates and Fees
- Contracts of Three Million Dollars or More
- Criteria for Multi-year Capital Budgets and Prioritized Multi-year Capital Budgets
- Sale or Disposition of All Real Property and Certain Acquisitions
- Revenue Fund Bond Sales
- System Information Technology Long Range Strategic Plan
- Approval of Finance and IT Related Policies
- Retirement Program Administration and Oversight



# Financial Authorities the Board has Delegated to the Chancellor

- Procurement and Professional/Technical Contracts Over \$100,000
- Construction Contracts Over \$250,000
- Master Facilities and Master Technology Plans for All Colleges/Universities
- Execution and Delivery of All Documents regarding the Acquisition,
  Disposal, Transfer or Leasing of Real Property after Board Approval
- Systemwide Reserve and Institutional Reserves per Board Policy
- Naming of Buildings, Sites and Common Areas



# Financial Authorities the Chancellor has Delegated to the Presidents

- Administrative and Financial Management
- Budget Monitoring
- Purchases and Professional/Technical Contracts up to \$100,000
- Optional Fees up to Board-approved Maximums
- Individual Tuition and Fee Waivers per Policy
- Fundraising for the College/University
- Acceptance of Gifts and Grants, except for Real Property
- Leasing Real Property
- College/University Financial Reporting
- Campus Policy on Computer and Network System Use and Security



### Board Risk Management Strategy

- Annual Financial Statement/Audit Discipline
- Operating Budget Reserves Maintenance/Improvement Policy
- Unrestricted Net Asset Improvements
- Composite Financial Index Improvements
- Capital Improvements tied to Facilities Condition Index



#### Vice Chancellor Assurance Practices

- Annual Financial Reviews with Campus Leadership
- Monthly, Quarterly and Semiannual Monitoring Reports
- Exception Reporting Systems
- Watch List and Work Out Protocols
- Regional Financial and Facilities Quarterly Management Meetings
- Strong Communication Systems



#### Revenue Drivers

- State Economic Outlook
- Public Support for Public Higher Education Systems
- Tuition Rate Structure and Competitive Environment
- Overall Enrollment
- Federal and State Financial Aid Funding Policy



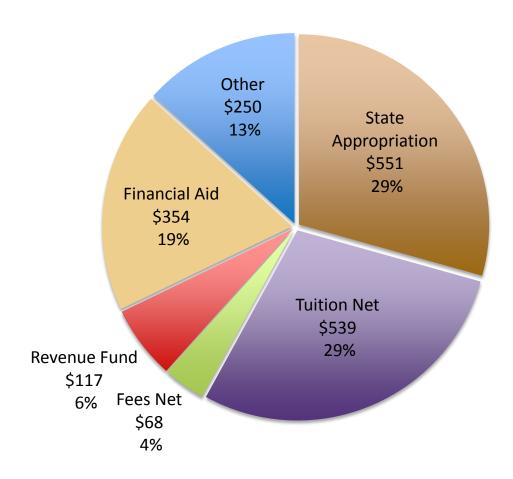
#### **Cost Drivers**

- Negotiated Contracts (Salaries and Benefits)
- Enrollment Changes Up or Down
- Health Care Costs (Employer-paid Insurance Cost)
- Technology (Investments in New Technology and System Maintenance)
- Size of Campus Physical Plant Building Operations,
  Maintenance and Preservation



#### FY2012 All Funds – Revenues

(in millions)

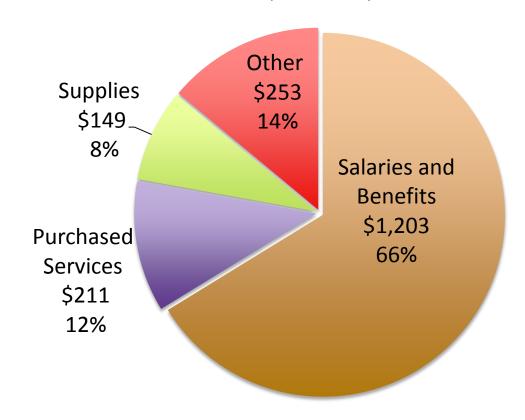


Total = \$1,879 M



#### FY2012 All Funds – Expenses

(in millions)



Total = \$1,816 M



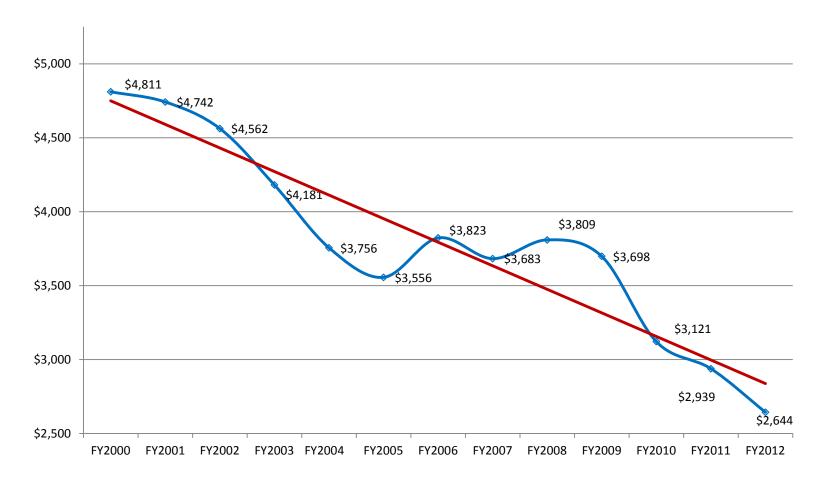
## Revenues and Expenses FY2010-2012

(in millions)

	FY2010		F	Y2011	FY2012		
Revenue	\$	1,936	\$	1,980	\$	1,879	
Expenses	\$	1,867	\$	1,904	\$	1,816	
Difference	\$	69	\$	76	\$	63	
Difference as %							
of Revenues		3.6%		3.8%		3.4%	

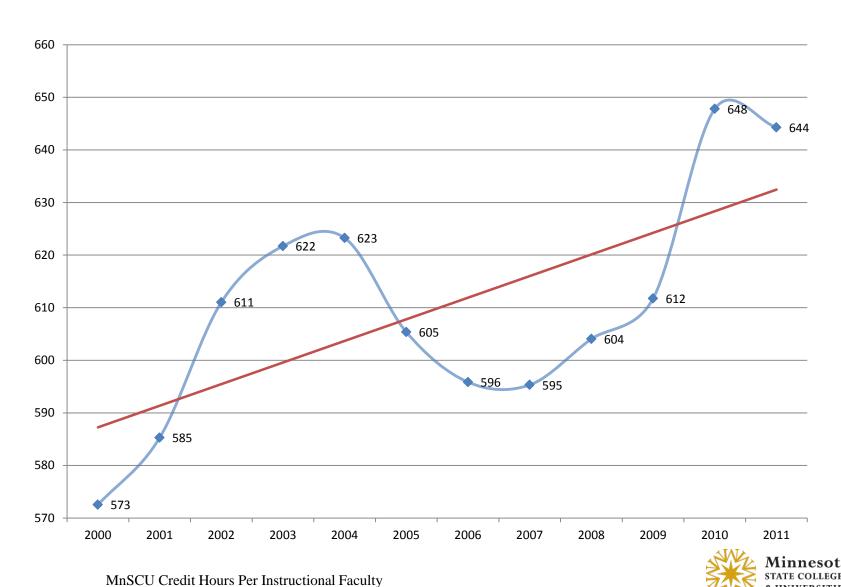


## Total State Support per MnSCU Student is Down Over 45%

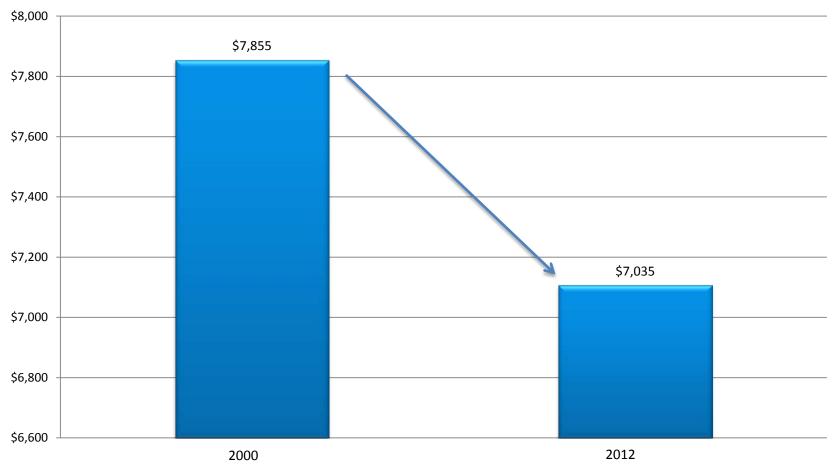




### Faculty Productivity is Up 12.4%



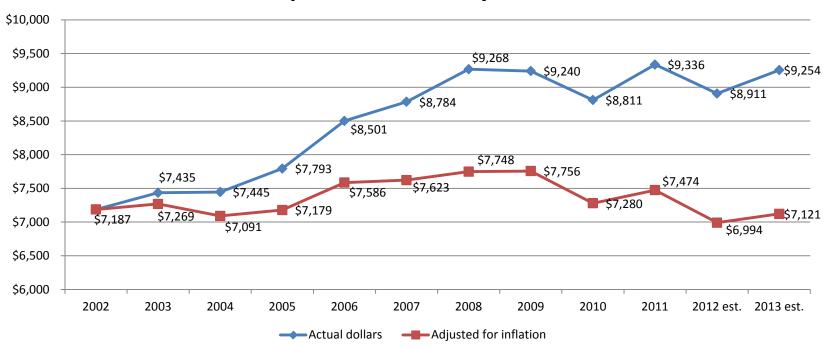
## Real Cost of Educating a MnSCU Student Down 10%





## State Appropriation and Tuition Revenue per Full-Year Equivalent Student

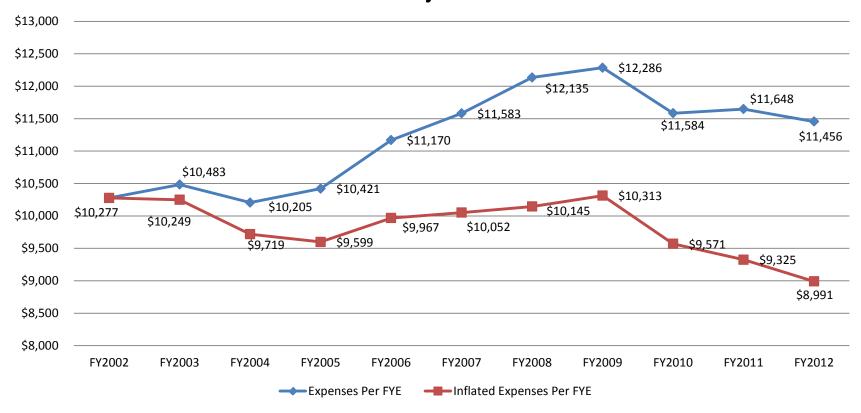
State appropriation and tuition revenue per FYE has remained fairly constant when adjusted for inflation.





### Expenditures per FYE

## Expenses per FYE have mostly declined or stayed constant when adjusted for inflation.





#### **Primary Dynamics**

- Enrollment Local Management within System Strategic Framework
- Tuition and Revenue Board establishes Rates,
  Colleges/Universities Collect and Spend
- Financial Aid Revenue State and Federal Program Guidelines
- Gifts and Fundraising Colleges/Universities Solicit and Spend
- State Support Established by Legislature, allocated per Board-approved Method
- Wage and Benefit Costs Based upon State or Board-approved State-wide Contracts



## Allocation Framework: Distribution of State Support to Colleges and Universities

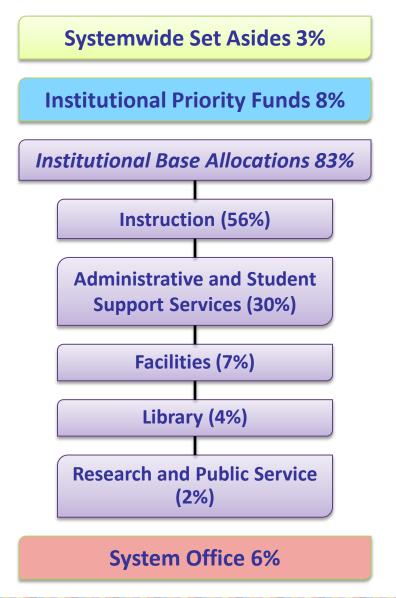
- A single model that equitably recognizes the diversity of Minnesota State College and University students' needs and supports the unique educational goals of each institution
- Allocation of funds are based on a number of factors such as enrollment, cost of instruction, national benchmark data, and other institutional data
- Allocation Framework distributed \$441M in FY2013 as base allocations to colleges and universities
- Framework now under study for possible redesign as
  part of the Strategic Framework

#### State Support Allocation

- Institutional Allocations: Priority Funds and Institutional Base Allocations
- Systemwide Set Asides: Enterprise Technology, Debt Service (system share), Attorney General, etc.
- System Office Support



### Allocation Framework Design





### The Allocation Framework takes into Account the Cost of Delivering High Cost and Low Cost Programs

	Low Band		Higl	n Band	Difference		Average	
Anthropology	\$	1,035	\$	1,265	\$	230	\$	1,150
Ground Transportation	\$	3,752	\$	4,585	\$	833	\$	4,169



#### **Current Allocation Framework**

Rewards Cost Efficient Instruction

- State Funds follow Enrollment Changes
- Substantially Formulaic



## Design Questions Present in Current Allocation Framework

- How well does the current Allocation Framework advance the Strategic Framework?
- How well does it incent and reward outcomes?
- How well does it incent and reward collaboration?
- How well does it properly balance the need for stability with responsiveness?



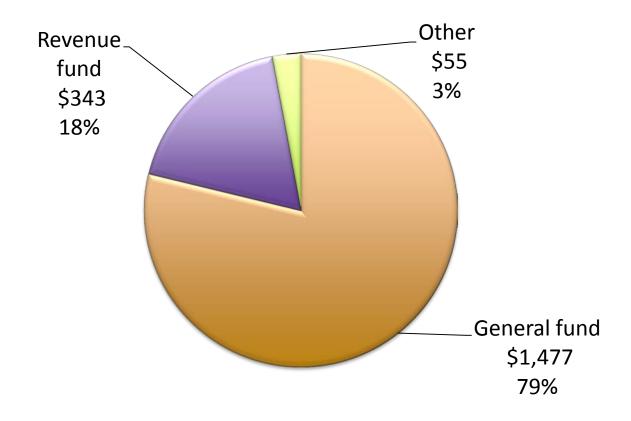
### Capital Financing

- General Obligation bonds sold through the state to finance new construction, renovation or demolition of academic and program space to improve learning
- Revenue bonds sold through the system to finance revenue producing facilities such as dormitories, dining halls, student unions, parking, etc.



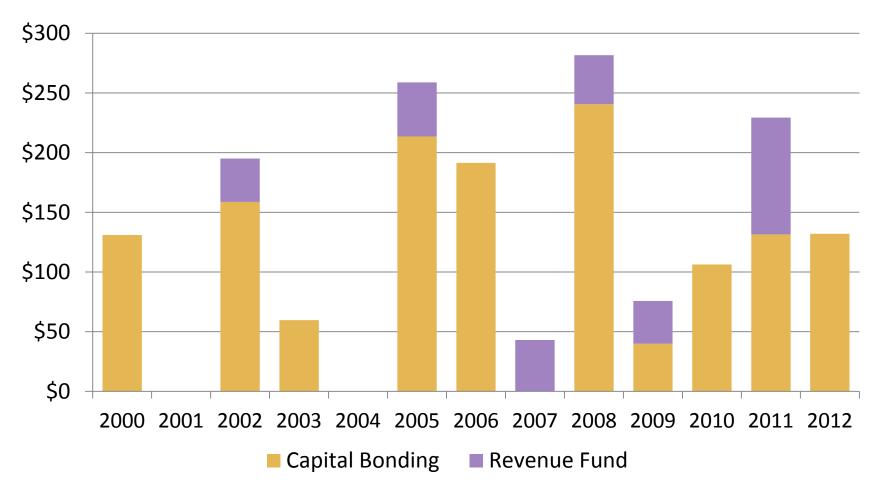
### FY 2012 Capital Assets, Net

(in millions)





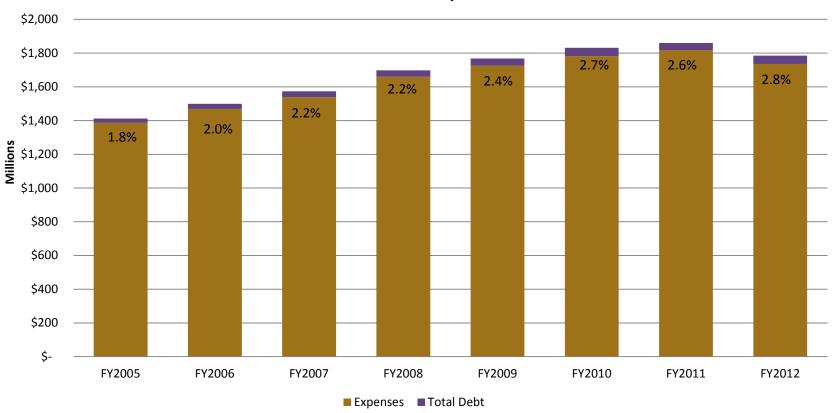
#### Capital Investment FY2000 - 2012





#### Debt Service as Percent of Total Expenses

#### While continuing to invest in infrastructure, debt service has remained a fraction of overall MnSCU expenses.





#### FY 2014-2015 Financial Outlook

- Improving (but uncertain) State Funding Environment
- Continued Commitment to Affordable Tuition
- Stable Enrollment Projections
- Pending Contract Settlements
- Looming Federal Fiscal Cliff

