

The Faculty Senate views the *Sunflower*, which reports on WSU news, current issues, activities, academics and athletics, in addition to offering a forum for discussion, reviews and commentary, as an invaluable resource of information for Wichita State University community including students, faculty, staff, alumni and the wider Wichita community. In addition, the *Sunflower* represents a unique opportunity for applied learning experience for students, which directly aligns with WSU's Strategic Plan. *The Sunflower cannot survive without proper funding*: The Faculty Senate has concerns that such a budget cut will be perceived by WSU community and national press as intimidation of free student press. The Faculty Senate urges President Bardo to restore the funds to a level consistent with previous years and to ensure that the *Sunflower* is free to pursue its mission.