ACADEMIC PRIORITIZATION OVERVIEW
INSTITUTION: ____Montana Tech_____

Current State of Prioritization Process	Issues to Resolve	Next Steps	Lessons Learned
List one: • Findings Implemented • Completed • **In Progress** • Beginning Montana Tech started the WIRE (**W**orkgroup for **I**nstitutional **R**ealignment for **E**xcellence) group in April – with the goal to define "Special Focus" that will provide us a context for prioritizing programs.	• *Focus on procedural issues rather than programmatic. Example: "Need more people involved from X unit"* WIRE group is making progress and continues to meet with constituent groups internally and externally to gather information. Initially WIRE was following in parallel to the OCHE (Joe Thiel) process, and may be pressed to work faster to meet current and potential budget issues. We had Chris Maples on campus. Chris is the current Missouri S&T president and former OIT president with experience both on prioritization and systems organization.	• *Specify timeline for completion* WIRE has already presented draft concepts regarding Special Focus to both the campus community and the Regents. WIRE will continue to meet and arrive at specific recommendations that are presented during the spring semester before the May BOR meeting. A decision will be made mid spring semester regarding the makeup of a program prioritization committee composed of faculty, staff, and students.	• *Include best practices garnered from procedure, not specific program areas* Getting faculty and staff engaged in the process early and often is critical. There is concern that our program prioritization will be driven more by looming financial issues, rather than as an effort to improve and focus the institution. Montana Tech believes having the WIRE group in place prior to known potential budget problems will benefit the campus. With the designation as Special Focus, we see it critical to determine more specifically where we want to end up at, prior to engaging in the official prioritization process. With that said, the WIRE activities and prioritization have significant overlap.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES PRIORITIZATION OVERVIEW
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List one: • Findings Implemented • Completed • In Progress • **Beginning** The WIRE has representation that includes faculty, staff and administrators. This includes the Bureau and Student Success representation. While the group at this point has focused primarily on the academic profile and programs, it is also considering campus organizational structures as the group develops recommendations. As this fall semester progresses, WIRE will focus attention on the administrative, student services, and the campus as a whole.	• *Focus on procedural issues rather than programmatic. Example: "Need more people involved from X unit"* At this time we have an active and engaged WIRE group that will be central to our prioritization activities.	• *Specify timeline for completion* Similar as to the above timeline.	• *Include best practices garnered from procedure, not specific program areas* See above.