The Budget Leadership Team (BLT) was formed to create a broader voice in the University’s budget development process. In this regard, it serves as a conduit to all of campus. Additionally, the BLT is charged with making the budget recommendations to the President of the University, who in turn makes recommendations to the Board of Regents. These roles, responsibilities, and relationships are depicted as follows:

The specific responsibilities of the BLT include, but are not limited to:

- Evaluation of new initiatives, strategic investments, and performance funding
- Analysis of projected inflationary increases for core institutional operations
- Consideration of various revenue enhancement proposals, including initial recommendations on tuition and fee levels
- Recommendations on expenditure reductions and cost consolidation proposals
- Analysis of faculty and staff compensation levels and recommendation of potential increases
- Propose allocations of new incremental I&G funding, specifically state formula funds and tuition and fees, for the UNM Main Campus
- Communication of budget process details, progress, and outcomes to campus constituencies and the broader university community