

Welcome Back

President Laurie Leshin
First Faculty Meeting
September 13, 2018



WPI

A Foundational Year

- **Elevate Impact:** 3rd Year -- Finish strong on UG and Grad, Research, Global, I & E, Diversity initiatives, and more!!
- **Business Processes Best Practices:** Workday go-live, process simplification, clarification, and reform
- **Integrate Foisie:** Front-door and integration of I & E efforts, Launch Global School @ WPI, Leverage new teaching & learning spaces
- **Comprehensive Campaign Leadership Phase:** Articulate fundraising priorities; close significant gifts
- **5-year Capital Plan:** Gain Trustee endorsement and begin first projects
- **Looking Ahead:** Begin discussions about future vision & goals for WPI building on strong past and successful present

5-Year Capital Plan

- This plan has NOT yet been approved by the Trustees, but we're working it!
- Key Projects:
 - Academic Building on Boynton Lot site
 - 2 Residence Halls
 - Kaven, Stratton, Olin updates
 - Updates to Higgins House, Harrington.
- Intent is to have rolling 5-year integrated financial and capital plans. Will share more on this later in the year.



Campaign: Early Wins and Emerging Themes

100-plus participants in campus Focus Groups

Emerging Themes

- Space!
- Access & Inclusion
- Research Ecosystem
- Project-based Learning
- The Global School
- Innovation & Entrepreneurship

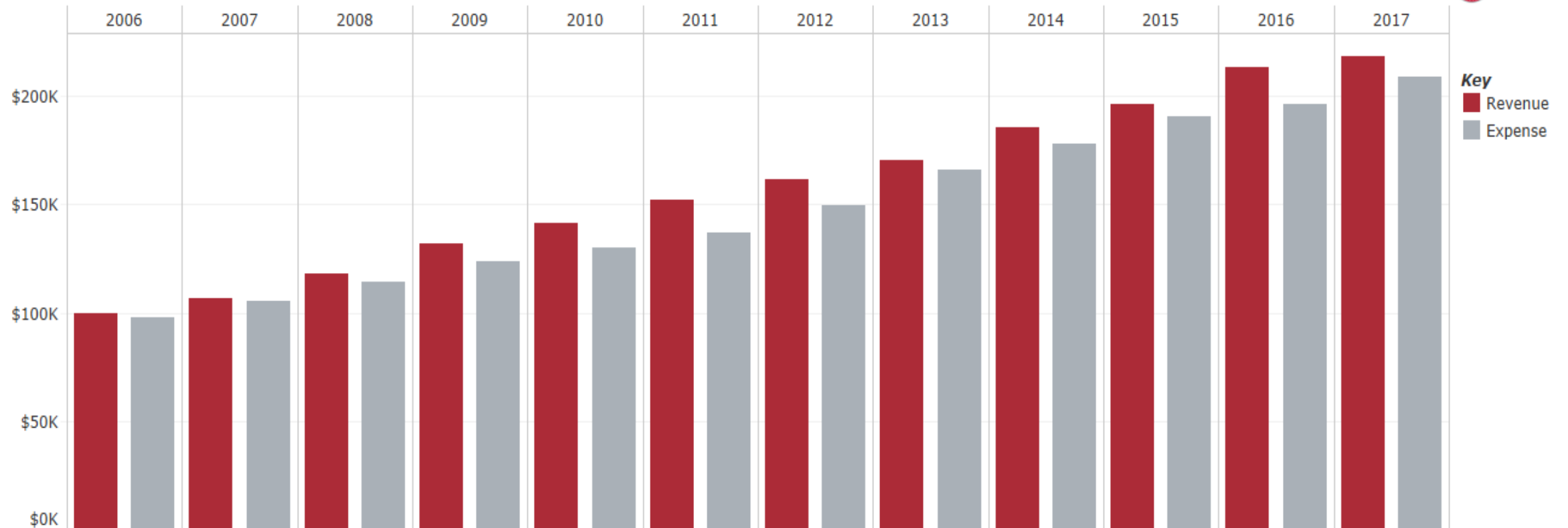
\$12 million anonymous, unrestricted gift



\$500K gift from Mike Abrams '77
for Alumni Center at Higgins House

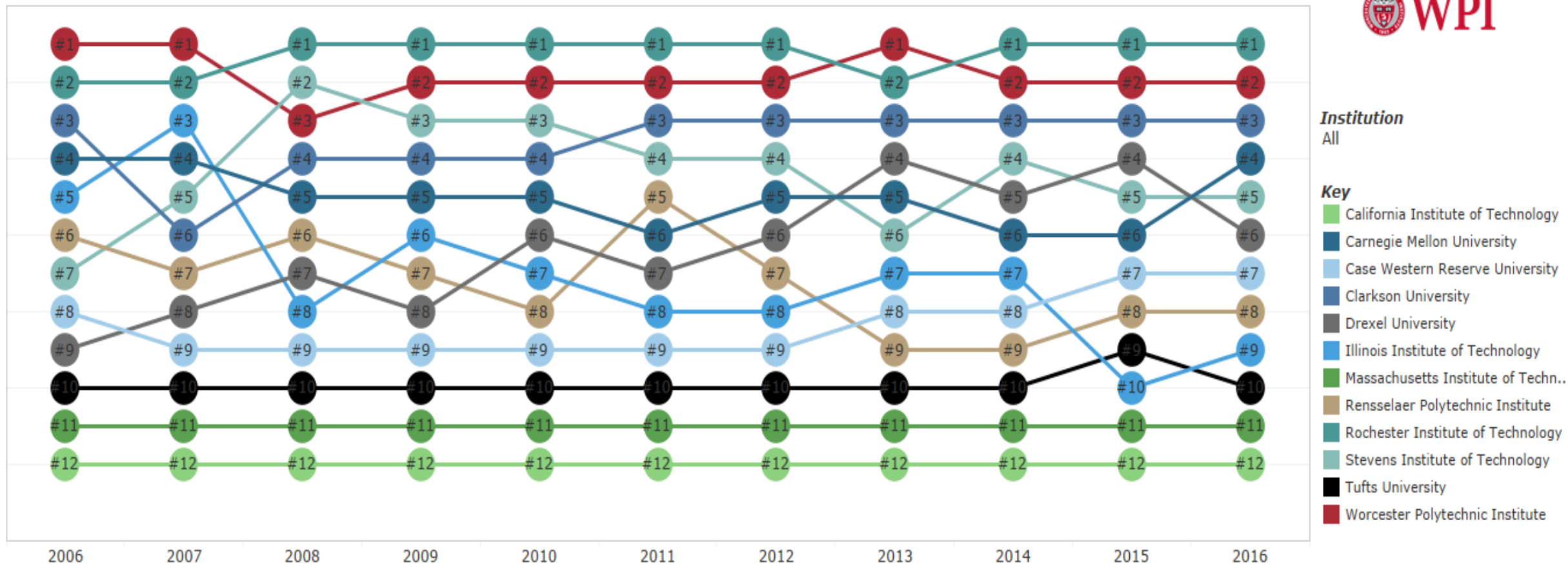
Good Financial Position

WPI Operating Revenue and Expense History



Expenses are Focused on our Core: Instruction

Rank of Instructional Expenses as % of Total Expenses: WPI and Peers



Created by: Office of Institutional Research
Source: IPEDS Finance Survey data
Date: August 2018

Rankings Good News



#5

Best run colleges



#59

National Universities
(up from #61)

#14

Best science lab facilities

#18

Students study the most

#33

Faculty Resources Rank
(up from #37)



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