

Skidmore College Faculty Meeting

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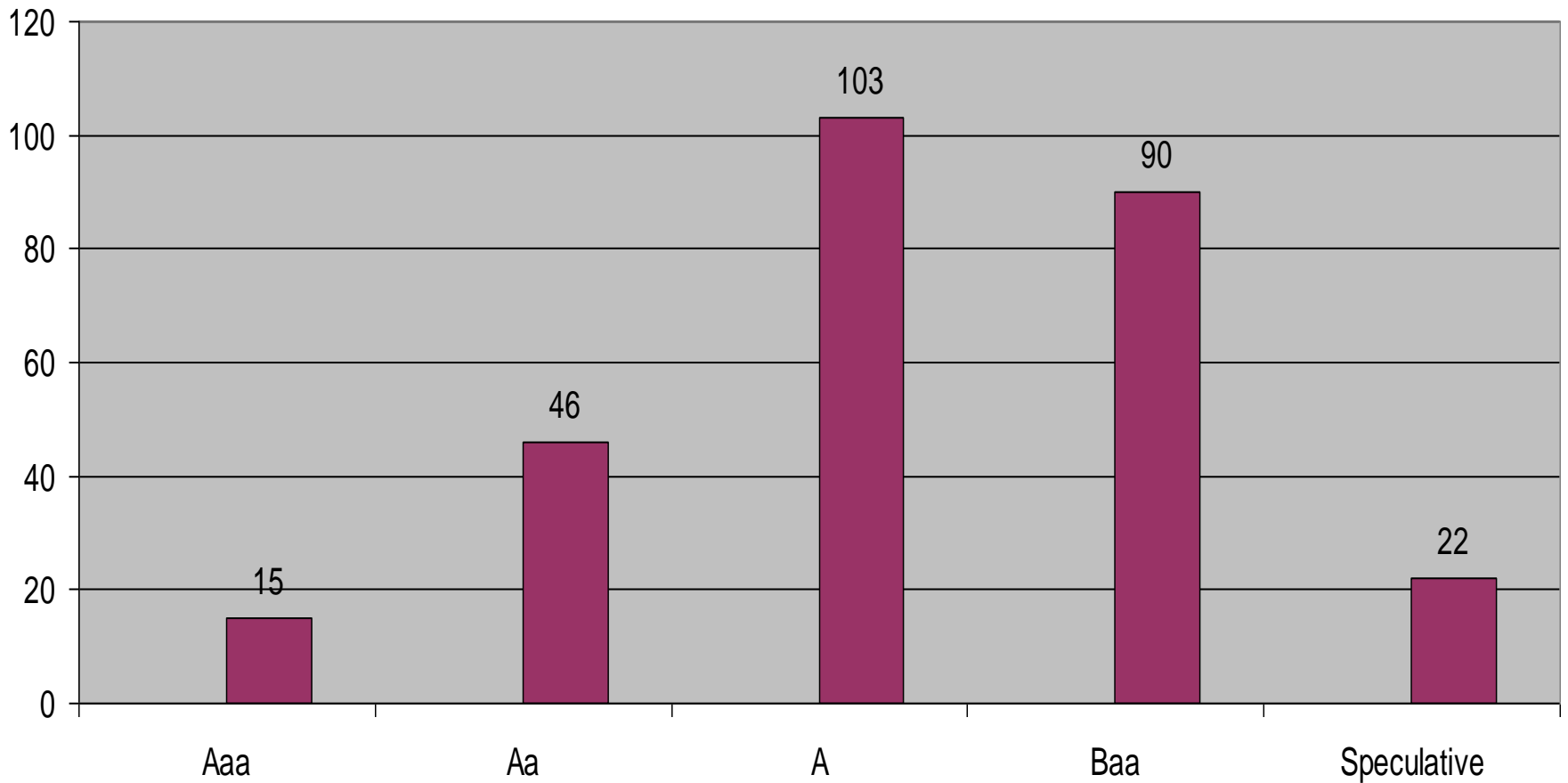
FINANCIAL RATINGS

Amherst

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Swarthmore

Private College Rating Distribution Moody's
Skidmore College Curent Rating A2



Operating Budget History

Peer Endowments

Fiscal 2004

| <u>College</u> | Total <u>(millions)</u> | Per Student <u>(thousands)</u> |
|---------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Franklin & Marshall | | |

Budget Challenges

Skidmore is experiencing financial pressure from the combination of:

Reduced projected future endowment earnings/value;

Increased student financial need;

Increased costs for utilities, health care and other insurance;

Limited pricing upside on tuition and fees;

Fundraising environment difficult;

Scope and pace of supporting new initiatives;

Competitive salaries.