

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Faculty Senate
FROM: Beheruz N. Sethna, President
RE: Response to Senate Actions
DATE: March 20, 2013



Following is my response to the actions of the Faculty Senate as represented in the minutes of the meeting of February 15, 2013, which were approved at the Faculty Senate meeting on March 8, 2013. All program approvals are made contingent upon the department's commitment to staff the changes out of existing internal funds. Note that Section 3.6.2 of the Board of Regents *Policy Manual* states, *inter alia*: "The termination of educational programs, degrees, or majors shall be submitted to the Chancellor for review and recommendation for action by the Board of Regents." So, all program, degree, and major terminations (as well as additions) need to be approved by the Board. Our requests should include the rationale and the plan for addressing the needs of existing students.

Committee Reports:

Undergraduate Programs Committee

A&B) Motions to modify BM with a major in Theory and Composition and add HIST 4010, ANTH 4130, ANTH 4201, and ANTH 4202 were passed.

I accept these motions.

Graduate Programs Committee

A) Motion to add PSYC 9002 Doctoral Qualifying Seminar was passed.
I accept this motion.

Information Sharing

The College of Social Sciences recommended the deactivation of the Master's in Urban and Rural Planning program.

Motion was passed requesting the Provost reconsider the deactivation of the Master of Urban and Regional Planning Program in light of budgetary information and strategic goals addressed by the members of the Faculty Senate.

Faculty Development Committee

- A) Motion to approve editorial changes to Section 103.06 of the *Faculty Handbook* (as presented in the minutes) was passed.

I accept this motion.

- B) Motions to approve changes in Section 104.0601 and 104.0602 of the Faculty Handbook (as presented in the minutes) were passed.

I accept these motions.

Strategic Planning Committee

Motion to adopt the new revised Quality Enhancement Plan Concept Statement and Learning and Operational Outcomes (as presented in the minutes) was passed.

I accept this motion.