

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 October 19, 2012, which were approved at the Faculty Senate meeting on November 16, 2012. 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) Motion to deactivate Endorsement – Birth through Five (COE) was passed.

I accept this motion.

B) Motions to approve the correct number of credit hours under the B.A. in Foreign Languages and Literatures, to add FREN 4000, and to add HIST 3500, 4209, 4210, 4285, and 4385 were approved.

I accept these motions.

C) Motions to delete CS 2001, 4290, 4320, and 4911 and to add GEOG 4400 were passed.

I accept these motions.

D&E) Motion to terminate Sociology Pre-Major under B.S. in Sociology, add COMM 2110, and modify the B.S. in Nursing was approved.

I accept this motion.

Graduate Programs Committee

A) Motions to modify the M.A. in Teaching with a major in Teacher Education, the M.Ed. with a major in Secondary Education, and the M.Ed. with a major in Middle Grades Education were approved.

I accept these motions.

B) Motion to amend the Academic Standing Policy for College of Education graduate programs as stated in the minutes was approved.

I accept this motion.

Academic Policies Committee

Motion was approved to modify Section 208 of the Faculty Handbook (as presented in the minutes).

I accept this motion.