

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Faculty Senate

FROM: Beheruz N. Sethna, President

RE: Response to Senate Actions

DATE: May 13, 2011

Following is my response to the actions of the Faculty Senate as represented in the minutes of the meeting of January 21, 2011, which were approved at the Faculty Senate meeting on February 25, 2011. All program approvals are made contingent upon the department's commitment to staff the changes out of existing internal funds.

Committee Reports:

Undergraduate Academic Programs Committee

Motion to modify or add various degrees, programs, and courses as listed in the minutes was approved.

I accept this motion.

Rules Committee

A. Motion was approved to clarify and improve the consultative role of the faculty in the shared governance of the university in the *Policies and Procedures Manual* by adding "the Faculty Senate and other" to the following: Article I, Section 1, F; Article II, Section 1, D; Article II, Section 1, F; and Article III, Section 2, D.

I accept this motion.

B. Motion to amend the *Policies and Procedures Manual*, Article IV, Section 2, B to include a paragraph (#4) regarding support for the Chair of the Faculty Senate (as listed in the agenda) was approved.

I accept this motion.

C. Motion was approved to accept a proposal to include the Chair of the Senate among those who shall be invited to the President's Advisory Committee meetings.

I accept this motion.

D. Motion to replace Article IV, Section 2, D of the *Policies and Procedures Manual* to further define the role of the Executive Committee was approved, as stated in the minutes with two editorial changes.

I accept this motion.

E. Motion was approved to replace Article IV, Section 2, A, 5 of the *Policies and Procedures Manual* to revise the allocation of Senators, as stated in the minutes.

I accept this motion.