

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Members of the Faculty Senate

FROM:

Dr. Kyle Marrero, President

RE:

Response to Senate Actions

DATE:

April 7, 2015

Following is my response to the actions of the Faculty Senate as represented in the minutes of the meeting of February 27, 2015, which were approved at the Faculty Senate meeting on March 27, 2015. 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:

Approval of January 23rd Minutes

Motion to make edits (see February 27th minutes) to the minutes of January 23rd was approved.

I accept this motion.

Undergraduate Programs Committee

Motions to add and modify various courses and programs (see minutes) were approved.

I accept these motions.

Graduate Programs Committee

Motions to add POLS 6287, ENGL 5000, ENGL 5002, ENGL 5003, and ENGL 5005 were approved.

I accept these motions.

Academic Policies Committee

Motion was approved to make changes (see minutes) to the *Faculty Handbook*, Section 108.4 Grade Appeal Policy, Section F. Procedures.

I accept this motion.

Motion was approved to change "Class Absence" to "Attendance Policy" (see minutes) in the Undergraduate and Graduate Catalogs.

I accept this motion.