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Re: Proposed Revisions to the *Statutes* and *General Rules* (ST-75/GR-44)

Dear Colleagues:

As you know, President Hogan transmitted to the University Senates Conference proposed changes to the *Statutes* and *General Rules* that would reorganize University Administration.

The University Senates Conference requests that each senate follow its own process for reviewing these important proposed changes, which we believe deserve careful consideration. In order for the Senates Conference to have time to review the responses from the senates and report back to the President in time to meet the Board's timeline, we would need to hear back from you by November 9. The Senates Conference will be conducting its own review concurrently with the senates. Therefore, we do not wish to hold up the senates' review processes by waiting to transmit the information until Senates Conference can offer its own recommendations. Also, we believe that each senate is capable of coming to its own conclusion.

Please be advised that the *Statutes* do not require each senate to have two readings on the proposed revisions to the *Statutes* since the proposal was initiated by the Board of Trustees. Concerning the proposed revisions to the *General Rules*, in this instance, consultation with the senates is not required. However, given the possible implications of the changes, the Senates Conference feels that it is important to offer the senates the opportunity to provide advice.

Please let me know if you have questions. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



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