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Faculty Senators and Alternates,

Below and attached is a report from Provost Marilyn Sheerer who will be unable to attend tomorrow's Faculty Senate meeting, scheduled for <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>December 7</u>, 2010, at 2:10 p.m. in the East Carolina Heart Institute, Banquet Room A (located at 115 Heart Drive, #248 on map linked here).

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December 7, 2010, Faculty Senate Agenda PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN MEETING LOCATION. http://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/fsonline/customcf/fsagenda/fsa1210.htm

November 2, 2010, Faculty Senate Minutes http://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/fsonline/customcf/fsminute/fsm1110.htm

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Response to Questions from Faculty Senate

Marilyn Sheerer

December 4, 2010

- 1. The next meeting of the Program Curtailment committee is scheduled for early January at UNC-GA.

 Because we have lost two members of the group, we await the appointment of their replacements by

 President Tom Ross. We will also discuss faculty membership on the committee and the involvement of
 faculty in all next steps. It is expected that faculty representatives will become part of the second phase
 of this process as of February.
- 2. The agenda for the most recent CAO meeting included extensive conversation around budget issues, program curtailment and processes, and legislative issues, particularly in light of the newly constituted legislature. There is an expectation that there will be increased focus on faculty workload and

- enrollment growth funding, which will include continued emphasis on retention, degree production efficiency, and graduation rates.
- 3. The Academic Council will complete its review of the low performing programs report this week. The final report is due to UNC-GA as of December 14th. We have received responses from all program areas which were cited on the report; and we have met with every dean who has oversight for these programs.

The expectation was that department chairs and faculty completed the response to the questions asked of low performing programs. In all of the ECU cases, this was done; and the Academic Council asked further questions of the deans at our individual meetings with them.

Once the report is completed, we will share it openly with Faculty Senate leadership and EPPC.

4. If the Academic Council decides to recommend that a program be discontinued, and the Dean and faculty have not made such a recommendation, a meeting will be scheduled with the appropriate parties (dean, department chair, program faculty) for further discussion prior to the report being submitted to UNC-GA.