

**Lee, Lori**

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It is now virtually certain that I will not return from Chapel Hill in time for the October Senate meeting. Also, Ron will be in Chapel Hill and could easily be late to Senate.

Mark, I suggest that Rick address the fiscal sustainability topics and any questions. Other academic VC's can pitch in as needed.

I think Ron has to address strategic planning and timelines, etc. I am absolutely committed to faculty input into this process and I believe most of the fall semester can be devoted to that.

If more questions emerge regarding the need for the university wide fiscal committee, please blame me for that. I believe the decision on how to do this onerous task and how to structure the committee has been made and we have been responsive to our own Board and to the requests of the BOG in this regard. That said, UBC and other mechanisms for Senate input are quite welcome, necessary, and significant to finding ways to balance our expenditures and revenues.

I don't think it is possible to have the tough, frank debates in this committee unless it is closed, so any help that Mark or the Senate officers can provide on this will be appreciated. The committee has made a pledge to confidentiality and that is appropriate

Sorry to miss the meeting on Tuesday.

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