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Council Members:

Since the November Faculty Senate meeting, I have received emails from Council members as well as numerous comments from Faculty at large expressing concern about “tone and tenor” dynamics related to the President’s performance. I share those concerns, since Faculty Senate and Administrative commitment to a collaborative relationship is predicated on mutual respect and mutual accountability.

So that we can address this matter in a timely and responsible manner, I am requesting that you forward to me specific observations, comments, or suggestions related to this issue. I will compile and organize your submissions for presentation in writing to the President. I would like to get this statement to the President before the Thanksgiving break. So, please get your submissions to me no later than Monday, November 20.

On a separate note, the officers met with the President on last Wednesday, November 8, to present our FS budget request. It was a productive meeting. The original budget request amount was for \$67,000, which was readily approved, with the possible addition of funds to support Faculty Awards for spring, 2018. The FS Budget is being reworked, which I will share that with you as soon as it is finalized.

At the meeting cited above, the President expressed his desire to meet monthly with the Steering Committee or Council, with a fixed agenda. In this regard, since the vote of the Faculty Senate members was to adopt the amended Faculty Issues Agenda, our meetings with the President must target “plans of action” with associated time lines to address these Faculty Senate approved issues.

Respectfully,

Richard Wright, Chair
Faculty Senate