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MEMORANDUM

TO: Michael Fitzgerald
Faculty Senate Chair

FROM: Alexander Gonzalez 
President

SUBJECT: Faculty Senate Actions

I write to acknowledge receipt of your memorandum transmitting for my information Faculty Senate actions FS 06-147/Flr and FS 06-145/Flr (November 30, 2006).

I also acknowledge receipt of your report of the Faculty Senate's action regarding FS 06-134/APC/Ex. by which the Senate recommended adoption of the proposed 2008-09 and 2010 academic calendars (October 26, 2006). I accept the Senate's recommendation with two alterations. First, observance of the Admissions Day holiday will be moved in 2008 from November 28 to December 31. Second, in 2009, Admissions Day will be observed on December 31 and not on November 27. As a result, the campus will be open for limited intra-campus operations on the Friday after Thanksgiving in both 2008 and 2009. The change will have minimal impact on most of the faculty since these are not academic workdays.

Finally, I approve FS 06-90/GEP/GRPC, a Comprehensive Writing Proposal (April 27, 2006). I note that the proposal represented almost two years of work and want to commend the Senate Writing and Reading Subcommittee for its effort. The Office of Academic Affairs has taken some time to review the eight recommendations included in the proposal since not all could be implemented simultaneously. All recommendations should be in place by fall, 2008 and should be reflected in the registration and advising handbook for the 2008-09 academic year. The Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies will be responsible for implementation and campus notification.

Thank you for your attention

c. J. Sheley
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