## UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY SENATE

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## Regular Session

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1	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Okay. The Senate will
2	come to order. I always wanted to
3	say that, so I'll say it. Okay.
4	The minutes from the March 19th
5	meeting are not ready yet. We
6	apologize for that, and it will be
7	ready in the next meeting. I have a
8	few announcements. As you remember,
9	our parliamentarian was not feeling
10	good, and he has some health
11	problems. He has already resigned
12	and I have asked you, and I will ask
13	you again, to keep him in your
14	prayers. The latest information I
15	have from Professor Blyton is that
16	he has been eating better and has
17	been gaining weight, which is very
18	good news; but of course, he still
19	has some of his health issues.
20	However, I am personally honored to
21	mention to you that Brad Canon,
22	which at one time was Senate Council
23	Chair, plus many other titles and
24	roles that he has had, has agreed to
25	help me for the remainder of this

	1	academic year. I don't want to
	2	sully his reputation when I say that
	3	I have learned every trick regarding
	4	rules from Brad, but that's not
	5	really too far from the truth. So
	6	I'm personally honored. Thank you
	7	very much, Brad. I'm happy to see
	8	you here. If you recall, I reported
	9	to you that we sent a letter to the
-	10	legislature and the governor
-	11	regarding various legislation
-	12	regarding the relationship between
-	13	University of Kentucky and its
-	1.4	employees, and in that we supported
-	15	the position of the president. The
	16	president send me a very nice
-	17	letter, and he wrote your name and
-	18	this institution, so I thought I'd
-	19	share this very kind excerpt of the
2	20	letter with you all. We must
2	21	have I'm sorry to say that we
2	22	must have a special meeting of the
2	23	Senate. It just was brought to my
2	24	attention Brad has already earned
2	25	his pay, by the way. He already

1	told me we put on the agenda list
2	that the next meeting is May 14th.
3	Perhaps we wanted to scare you so
4	that you would be grateful if we
5	changed it to May 7th. May 7th is
6	the day that grades are due. Grades
7	are due around 4 o'clock, but we
8	would ask you to please make sure
9	that you do your grades early.
10	Hopefully, since it's going to be on
11	the Internet, maybe you could submit
12	it by midnight, which means I will
13	be on my computer at 11:30 at night
14	entering my grades. So please
15	come. Our colleagues deserve our
16	attention, and they deserve their
17	creative license to be approved.
18	And the main reason we have this
19	meeting is because there are many
20	critical items that are coming to
21	our office and will be coming to our
22	office and ready for your approval.
23	So please mark your calendar; May
24	7th, that's the day when the grades
25	are due. We will have a special

1	Senate meeting. There's another
2	announcement. Every year, by the
3	rules of the Board of Trustees,
4	President Todd is evaluated, and
5	part of that evaluation the input
6	comes from many constituents. One
7	of them is Senate Council. Senate
8	Council has decided that in turn we
9	will talk to senators and to faculty
10	councils of the colleges to get your
11	input. We have the list of criteria
12	that President Todd will be
13	evaluated, based on that, and we
14	will share this with you very soon.
15	This group and the faculty councils
16	are the lifeline between the Senate
17	Council and the faculty at large.
18	Of course, once in a while if if
19	it's legitimate, as a chair of this
20	faculty body, I would be contacting
21	the faculty directly. But in many
22	situations, including this one, we
23	would like to ask you to get the
24	sense of your faculty and give us
25	your input. Board of Trustees

1	elections, I'm sure you have noticed
2	we had the first round of
3	nomination ended Friday. We have
4	five nominees. They are Richard
5	Clayton, Public Health; Steven
6	Gedney, Engineering; Joe Peek,
7	Business and Economics; Ernest
8	Yanarella, who is the incumbent,
9	Arts and Sciences; and David Watt,
10	Medicine. Next round will be
11	which is the first round will be
12	April 16 to April 20th. Please
13	share this with your colleagues
14	again in your college so that they
15	would have the heads up. If a
16	second round is necessary, which
17	means if one person gets a majority,
18	then we don't need a second round,
19	but if we have a second round, the
20	top three candidates or maybe more
21	than that if there is ties if
22	there are ties. I'm not really sure
23	right now; I cannot think of whether
24	ties are broken by a lot or not.
25	The three will be on the second

1	round. In that second round, we
2	will ask you to vote for first
3	choice and second choice, and in
4	that round we would have a winner of
5	the election. Now, here is the part
6	that I'd like to ask you to discuss
7	this or inform your colleagues.
8	Potentially, the required IDs are
9	SAP's person's ID number. These ID
10	numbers are on your paycheck. I
11	think it starts with three zeroes
12	and then a four-digit. You also
13	need that, by the way, to enter your
14	grades, so you might as well do this
15	first so that you will be ready for
16	entering your grades. Perhaps date
17	of birth and your active directory
18	account ID. I am told whether or
19	not you know you have an AD ID, you
20	do have an AD ID. I didn't know I
21	had it till I became Senate Council
22	chair, and now I'm using it. It's
23	better than my previous ID with the
24	engineering service. One other
25	election, you are having elections

1	at the college level. I received
2	somewhat of a complaint from one
3	college. I don't want to name
4	names; but again, I'd like to tell
5	you that you are our ambassadors to
6	your colleges. Elections are
7	supposed to be, in essence, secret.
8	They are supposed to be accurate.
9	You could not have a candidate who
10	is ineligible and then simply say,
11	okay, we will disregard the vote for
12	the candidate because that basically
13	disturbs the election. So you are
14	our ambassadors. You have to be our
15	eyes and ears and remind your
16	college how elections should be
17	done. Next, first item on the
18	agenda is a memorial resolution for
19	Raymond Frederick Betts. It will be
20	given by Daniel Rowland. Of course,
21	Professor Emeritus Betts was
22	founding director of the Gaines
23	Center for the Humanities, and
24	Daniel Rowland is the present
25	Director of the Gaines Center. I

1	did a little research; I wanted to
2	get a picture. I was humbled with
3	the amount of achievements and
4	honors that Professor Betts had, and
5	this particular one took my
6	attention. There has been an HR 113
7	resolution in honor and kind
8	memories of of Professor Betts
9	on in Kentucky House of
10	Representatives. So with saying
11	that, please, Professor Rowland,
12	join us.
13	ROWLAND: Thank you, Kaveh. You can
14	imagine, if you were humbled, how
15	humbled I was to inherit Ray's job
16	as Director of the Gaines Center,
17	and so it's a deep honor and a great
18	pleasure for me to read this
19	memorial resolution.
20	Ray Betts was a protean figure
21	whose contributions to an
22	astonishing array of institutions
23	and endeavors make him one of the
24	most distinguished faculty members
25	ever to serve at this university.

1	The choice of Ray to receive an
2	honorary degree last year is a good
3	indication of how unusual his
4	achievements are. He was a scholar
5	of exceptional energy and
6	imagination, whose academic
7	interests centered on the history of
8	France, the subject which he was
9	hired to teach here. The idea of
10	confining Ray to this one area,
11	however, would be like holding
12	mercury in your hand. His
13	publications span a huge
14	intellectual territory, from topics
15	in the history of metropolitan
16	France to the study of French
17	colonies abroad, particularly in
18	Africa, to his last book, which
19	squeezed the history of popular
20	culture in the twentieth century
21	into the pages of a slender and
22	wonderfully imaginative volume.
23	Although history as a discipline
24	tends to be wary of theory and
25	theorizing, Ray loved theory, read

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1	viaduct over Vine Street into a kind
2	of Ponte Vecchio, complete with
3	merchants' stalls and jugglers;
4	among the former was a temporary
5	series of small exhibits along
6	Limestone Street from UK to
7	Transylvania tracing the history of
8	the street and the many things that
9	occurred on it. He was a founding
10	member of the Kentucky Association
11	of Teachers of History, an alliance
12	of history teachers at both the
13	college and high school levels from
14	every corner of the state, an
15	organization that continues to
16	flourish. He contributed in many
17	ways to the Kentucky Humanities
18	Council, as board member and as
19	speaker. At UK he founded or
20	co-founded many important and
21	innovative programs, including the
22	Emerging Leader Institute, UK 101,
23	and the series of historical markers
24	that now inform current students of
25	the history of UK's campus. And, of

1	course, he was a member of this body
2	and a notably successful faculty
3	representative on UK's Board of
4	Trustees.
5	Of all of Ray's contributions,
6	however, the one I know best, and
7	perhaps his greatest achievement,
8	was the creation of the Gaines
9	Center for the Humanities. The only
10	term I can find to describe this
11	deed is the Russian word "podvig," a
12	term used in epics and saints' lives
13	to describe the deed that made the
14	person a saint or epic hero. Like
15	an epic hero, Ray enlisted the help
16	of a remarkable group of supporters
17	led by John and Joan Gaines and
18	including President Otis Singletary
19	and Governor Ned Breathitt. These
20	impressive and diverse people were
21	drawn to the Center by Ray's
22	personal magnetism and what can only
23	be called his institutional
24	imagination.
25	When I became the director of

1	the Center in 1998, I felt that I
2	had inherited a splendid estate, one
3	which was populated by talented and
4	dedicated people and was well-
5	stocked with delightful features.
6	The architect of this whole estate
7	and its manager for 15 years was, of
8	course, Ray Betts. Over the last
9	nine years, I have become intimately
10	acquainted with each feature of the
11	Center and have never ceased to be
12	grateful for the many features that
13	Ray created: the intense process of
14	selecting new fellows, Exit Exams,
15	the Jury Projects, the Breathitt
16	Undergraduate Lectureship in the
17	Humanities, and the Bingham Seminar.
18	At the very founding of the Center,
19	Ray realized that the Center
20	physically connected UK to the
21	downtown a visual hyphen is the
22	way he put it and this led him to
23	start our major public programs, the
24	Bale Boone Symposium in the
25	Humanities and the Lafayette Seminar

1	in Public Issues. Time after time,
2	faculty members tell me that they
3	have found in the Gaines Center the
4	sort of experience that they were
5	seeking when they entered academe in
6	the first place. The university
7	gets to see its best students, the
8	most talented sons and daughters of
9	the Commonwealth, succeed beyond
10	their dreams, winning the most
11	competitive national scholarships
12	and going to the very best
13	professional and graduate programs.
14	All of this comes from Ray's
15	marvelous invention, a machine that
16	enriches all connected with it,
17	students, faculty, and the staff of
18	the Center, most especially, as I
19	can testify, the director of the
20	Center.
21	Our undergraduate fellows are,
22	of course, the heart of the Center.
23	We now have over 200 former Fellows,
24	and their impact is being felt all
25	over the country and the world. To

1	mention but one example of many,
2	three of the 12 Fellows who finished
3	their fellowships in 1999 have now
4	attended the John F. Kennedy School
5	of Government at Harvard and are now
6	making a major impact on our nation
7	as employees of the Center for
8	American Progress, Harvard
9	University, and Barak Obama's Senate
10	Office. Jeff Fugate, from this same
11	class and now finishing a degree in
12	architecture and urban planning from
13	MIT, recently wrote to our Board to
14	note the ways that Ray and the
15	Center had given him the courage and
16	self-confidence to apply to the best
17	programs in the country and then, as
18	one of the very few students from a
19	public university, to impress his
20	Ivy League colleagues with his work.
21	Former Fellows came to Ray's
22	memorial service on very short
23	notice from all over the country.
24	The ever-growing Fellowship at the
25	Gaines Center is surely Ray's most

1	important legacy. In his eulogy to
2	W. B. Yeats, W. H. Auden wrote that
3	Yates "became his admirers."
4	Through our lives in the Center,
5	Ray's marvelous invention, and
6	through our experience of his fierce
7	intelligence, his unrelenting high
8	standards, and his boundless
9	imagination, we have all become him,
10	and in us his legacy lives on.
11	Thank you.
12	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: May I ask you to
13	please stand for a moment of silence
14	in honor of our colleague, Raymond
15	Frederick Betts. Thank you,
16	Professor Rowland. I need a motion
17	that the Senate approve this
18	memorial resolution and direct the
19	Senate Council office to transmit a
20	copy to Mrs. Irene Betts.
21	CLARK: So moved.
22	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Name, please.
23	CLARK: Harry Clark, Fine Arts.
24	BOLLINGER: Second.
25	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Name?

1	BOLLINGER: Chris Bollinger, Economics.
2	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: All those in favor of
3	this recommendation and resolution,
4	please indicate so by raising your
5	hand. Opposed? Abstain? Motion
6	carried. Thank you. Next item on
7	your agenda is proposed change to
8	Senate Rule 5.1.8.5.A.2. This is
9	about the two-year window. If I
10	could give you a very quick
11	background, students in this
12	university are entitled to a
13	retroactive withdrawal for
14	nonacademic reasons, usually medical
15	and familial reasons. However, the
16	rule says this should be done within
17	two years. The language that
18	dictates the two years says no
19	retroactive withdrawals shall be
20	granted after the two years. You
21	have noticed several waivers that we
22	have reported to you of situations
23	like this. A student comes to our
24	apparatus, whether the Dean's office
25	or to even Senate Council; their

1	application gets to us within the
2	two years, but by the time the
3	committee is ready to make a
4	decision, two years has passed. And
5	it has created problems, and we
6	started giving waivers. And once we
7	give waiver for one set of
8	circumstances, you feel obligated to
9	give waiver for similar sets of
10	circumstances, and we tried to close
11	this kind of a gap. The language in
12	front of you, to the best of our
13	understanding, closes that gap.
14	Doug Michael is not here today;
15	otherwise, I would have asked him to
16	give the report regarding the
17	election since he presides over the
18	election and the rules and this is
19	part of the rules. Is Katherine
20	McCormick here? She is the chair of
21	retroactive withdrawal. I didn't
22	ask her to necessarily come because
23	this is somewhat straightforward.
24	Are there any questions regarding
25	this proposal which is coming to you

1	from the Senate Council with a
2	positive recommendation? Okay.
3	Therefore, I'm guessing that you-all
4	agree with this recommendation. All
5	those in favor of this proposal/
6	rule, please indicate so by raising
7	your hands. Opposed? Abstain?
8	It's unanimous; motion carries. Oh,
9	I guess it's too late to do this,
10	but I think I gave the essence of
11	the recommendation.
12	JONES: You have a parliamentarian.
13	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: We have a
14	parliamentarian.
15	CANON: What's the issue?
16	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: What is the issue,
17	Professor Jones?
18	JONES: Well
19	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Does anybody have any
20	reservation regarding their vote?
21	This is what you voted on. Yes.
22	GROSSMAN: Well, I don't think we voted
23	on items two and three, but I would
24	like to move now that we approve two
25	and three.

1	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Thank you for moving
2	here. Any second for that
3	additional motion?
4	CIBULL: Second.
5	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Mike Cibull.
6	GROSSMAN: Oh, I'm Bob Grossman.
7	BROTHERS: I got it.
8	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: All those in favor of
9	this additional motion, please
10	indicate so by raising your hand.
11	Opposed? Abstain? Motion carries.
12	It's unanimous. Thank you for
13	letting me fix my errors.
14	CANON: Actually a motion from a Senate
15	Council meeting
16	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Doesn't need
17	CANON: doesn't need introduction,
18	but it doesn't matter.
19	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Okay. Thank you. The
20	next item is the degree list, and
21	there's only one person that I know
22	of in the universe who could set the
23	background for this action to its
24	perfection.
25	GROSSMAN: You mean he's not a candidate

1	for a degree? Professor Jones,
2	please.
3	JONES: Okay. I'm going to give you a
4	background in front of the two
5	actions that are actually going to
6	be before you. One of them will be
7	on the UK degree list; the other is
8	on the BCTC degree list. There's
9	some different nuances there, and at
10	each meeting you've been hearing
11	about some troubles involving the
12	BCTC list, so I'm going to try to
13	set in front of you how the process
14	is different for them than for us.
15	Just as a background, the state law
16	here, which we've had for some time,
17	empowers that the board can grant
18	degrees to graduates upon the
19	recommendation of the faculty. The
20	action today doesn't involve
21	primarily doesn't involve about the
22	honorary degrees, which you've done
23	earlier this year. There's a little
24	bit about honors in a moment, but
25	it's mostly this other action. I

1	just want to point out the state law
2	has in here two actions, actually,
3	that the faculty are empowered from
4	state legislature to do. Notice
5	that the board does not determine
6	who is a graduate. And if you go to
7	the legislative history of this and
8	the state law, what this means here
9	literally is the person who has
10	passed a course of study that is
11	required to earn a degree; the
12	person graduated the course of
13	study. So among that group, that
14	group is determined by the faculty,
15	not by the board. Then among that
16	group, the second action by the
17	faculty, which is what you'll do
18	here today, is decide which ones of
19	those graduates of the course of
20	study will be recommended to the
21	board for the separate action of
22	granting degrees. These two actions
23	are not the same thing. A person,
24	for example, could academically
25	complete all course of study, but

1	due to a cheating and an academic
2	discipline, getting expelled from
3	the university, doesn't get a
4	degree. Just because you
5	academically completed the course of
6	study under the faculty doesn't mean
7	the faculty then automatically
8	recommends you to the board for the
9	degree, so these are two separate
10	activities. Just as an example
11	and bear with me, I always do these
12	kinds of things here you can see
13	the faculty very shortly after that
14	state law was passed, doing this in
15	echo of what we do today. Some
16	students names were presented where
17	they offer themselves as candidates
18	for graduation and for the award of
19	the degree, so those are two
20	separate actions here. And on
21	motion you, or at least at that time
22	it was the entire university faculty
23	were sitting here, recommended that
24	the degrees be conferred, except
25	that and there's this

1	stipulation, which we still have
2	today, that even though some of
3	these names are going forward, the
4	student hasn't passed their final
5	exams yet. You know, once they
6	satisfy the professors that those
7	last aspects of the course of study
8	have been passed, then they have
9	finished their graduation and will
10	be eligible for the degrees. More
11	recently, then, the faculty trustees
12	were very helpful in effectuating
13	that the board recognized that our
14	university is so large right now we
15	no longer have the entire university
16	faculty sitting here. The last time
17	that happened was 1963. Rather,
18	the you, being the elected
19	faculty senators, have the authority
20	by your election to represent the
21	faculty of the university for this
22	purpose of this these degrees.
23	Okay. Now, what we have on the
24	left-hand side is what we have at
25	the University of Kentucky by the

1	solid arrow. The unit faculties
2	down here are determining that the
3	people have passed the or
4	graduated from the courses of
5	study. Ministerially, the dean and
6	the registrar are getting this list
7	together. The dean's forwarding
8	this information; the registrar is
9	collating it. It does not go, then,
10	from the registrar to the board. It
11	goes to your body right here, as the
12	faculty, you know, as the quality
13	control academically have their last
14	finger on the pulse before it gets
15	to the board. The president is
16	ministerially in here as the
17	transmitter, and so that's why you
18	got last week a call from the Senate
19	Council Office: Please verify this
20	list one more time. And you saw,
21	described: Don't worry so much
22	about whether there are people on
23	here yet who have not yet completely
24	passed the course of study. They
25	don't get their degree until they're

1	ascertained to have done so, but are
2	there any omissions? This is what's
3	really important. The student wants
4	to have that diploma in their hand
5	and is entitled to have it in hand
6	as of this semester and doesn't
7	because the name has been omitted
8	entirely, or sometimes names are
9	misspelled so badly it seems like
10	somebody else is getting the degree,
11	or sometimes the wrong degree is
12	listed. These are various kinds of
13	omissions that are very important
14	for us to catch, and I think there
15	was at least one omission that was
16	again caught by somebody. We
17	appreciate that. So that's how the
18	first action item has come to be
19	that you're going to be acting on.
20	The second one, on KCTCS, once LCC
21	or BCC separated from UK, the state
22	legislature we didn't set this
23	up the state legislature set up
24	that that faculty determines who has
25	passed their courses of study.

1	Remember, these are for students who
2	are going to get UK degree names on
3	their diplomas. It goes to their
4	registrar locally; it goes to the
5	system-wide state registrar, who
6	generates sort of a list like right
7	here, but he does not forward it
8	back here to either this group or to
9	the statewide faculty senate that
10	they have. It's presented directly
11	to the board of regents, who pass
12	it. The board of regents then send
13	it to us as the faculty quality
14	control, but we don't know those
15	students, you know, so it's kind of
16	awkward. So what Sheila always does
17	is immediately sends the list back
18	over to this group: Are there any
19	omissions? But inevitably what
20	happens is, you know, there are some
21	omissions, but the way the state law
22	is set up, we cannot walk onto our
23	meeting here any omissions. We can
24	only act upon what names the board
25	of regents send us. So they send us

1	an incomplete list; it's found to be
2	incomplete because we back-channel
3	it over here, and what they do is
4	they get the omitted names into the
5	next list that comes forward. So
6	the list you have here actually has
7	some names on it that we determined
8	a cycle ago and have been omitted.
9	I spoke with the chair of this body
10	here, and he has promised me in
11	blood to work out a better internal
12	system where this entity right here,
13	before they print off the degree
14	list to go to the board, will run it
15	back down to this group and make
16	sure there are no omissions.
17	They're not doing it right now; they
18	could, so they're just trying to get
19	that down. That, then, is our
20	background to the two action items.
21	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Thank you very much.
22	Davy Jones is on sabbatical in
23	Texas. He says he came here for his
24	tax return; I just don't believe
25	it. I think he came for this item.

1	Okay. I would like to entertain a
2	motion that the elected university
3	faculty senators approve this degree
4	list for submission through the
5	President to the Board of Trustees
6	as recommended, the degrees to be
7	conferred by the board.
8	GROSSMAN: It doesn't mean this is
9	coming from the Senate Council?
10	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: It's not coming
11	from it is coming from Senate
12	Council. It does not need a motion
13	or a second. Thank you.
14	CANON: Didn't the Senate Council
15	approve this?
16	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Senate Council
17	approved this with no
18	recommendation, no positive no
19	negative. Do we need a motion?
20	CANON: You probably need a motion in
21	that case.
22	GROSSMAN: So moved, Bob Grossman.
23	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Thank you, Bob.
24	YANARELLA: Second, Ernie Yanarella.
25	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Are there any

1	discussions? Professor Dembo first,
2	and then I'll go to Ray Forgue. I'm
3	getting some names, yes.
4	DEMBO: As much as we understand the
5	rationale behind this and that it's
6	a finite period of time, I do wonder
7	if there still are some senators
8	that feel uncomfortable voting on
9	something over which they have no
10	choice but to vote in favor of.
11	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Is that a
12	rhetorical it's not my
13	understanding that senators have to
14	vote yes. Did you mean they cannot
15	amend it or they cannot vote yes or
16	no?
17	DEMBO: If, for example, a majority of
18	senators did not vote in favor of
19	the KCTCS graduates, what would be
20	the outcome?
21	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: I would not forward it
22	to the president, so he would
23	forward it to the board, and it's my
24	understanding that the board cannot
25	grant any degrees. Ray Forgue.

1	FORGUE: Ray Forgue, Family Studies.
2	What if there's if a name is not
3	on the list that you think should be
4	up there?
5	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Yes, please, go ahead
6	answer that question, Davy.
7	JONES: For the UK degree list, that has
8	happened in the past. Remember
9	several years ago with the Western
10	Kentucky University (inaudible due
11	to coughing) program, and we walked
12	those names onto the floor right
13	here. So this is not a passive vote
14	situation. For the UK degree list,
15	we very actively have our finger on
16	what's going on.
17	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: So to answer, Ray, is
18	if there are you could amend the
19	list, technically speaking.
20	FORGUE: Well, we have a student
21	scheduled to take a Ph.D. oral on
22	the 20th of this month, within the
23	time frame to graduate, and she's
24	not on the list.
25	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: My experience shows

1	that when some people think a person
2	is ready, there are many reasons,
3	and maybe I can ask Jacquie Hager to
4	correct me if I'm wrong. Reasons
5	such as unpaid bills that they might
6	not be then eligible to receive a
7	degree. So I would suggest not to
8	do this without any background check
9	and legwork.
10	FORGUE: Well, that's why I'm reluctant.
11	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Yes, Jacquie, please.
12	HAGER: Unpaid bills will not prevent a
13	student from having their name
14	presented to the board. It will
15	prevent them from receiving their
16	diploma, but they can still go ahead
17	and graduate. But the process is
18	that the colleges collect from the
19	students their intent to graduate.
20	And for the graduate students, that
21	goes through the graduate school.
22	If the student does not notify the
23	graduate school they intend to
24	graduate, then our office never
25	receives a notification that they

1	intend to graduate, and that is one
2	way that their name could be left
3	off, but the student must initiate
4	the request for graduation.
5	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: I have excellent help
6	from a variety of sources. I should
7	also add Sheila, please correct
8	me if I'm wrong this list was
9	announced to senators personally at
10	least seven days ago, six days ago.
11	BROTHERS: On Tuesday.
12	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: And in a situation
13	like the example that Professor
14	Forgue mentioned, we appreciate if
15	you inform us, so we will do the
16	investigation, and we will not be in
17	a situation where you want to add a
18	name somewhat on a guess. Although
19	we have gone over this, having extra
20	names is not as serious as not
21	having a name that should be there
22	and it's not. I lost my train of
23	I don't know who was doing what.
24	Let me go to over there, Connie
25	Wood.

1	WOOD: Jacquie has already
2	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Jacquie did it. Yes,
3	over there.
4	HALLMAN: If we have
5	BROTHERS: I'm sorry; name, please?
6	HALLMAN: Diana Hallman, Fine Arts.
7	What's the process for who do we
8	send those to, and what's the
9	deadline?
10	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: The deadline is right
11	now. But six days ago, the deadline
12	was six days later. So maybe for
13	next time, you would consider this.
14	Let me go to back there.
15	JONES: Can I just add, procedurally,
16	what happens is if through a senator
17	it's found that there is an
18	omission, you contact back to the
19	Senate Council Office, Sheila up
20	there, and she immediately huddles
21	with Jacquie Hager in Don Witt's
22	office and an amended list is made
23	which gets into your handout here
24	today, so that name is not omitted.
25	So it's very important, when this

1	gets out to the senators a week in
2	advance, you do this behind the
3	scenes, contacting Sheila to get
4	these omissions unomitted.
5	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Over there.
6	GROSSMAN: Bob Grossman. If I'm not
7	mistaken, this is a list of people
8	who we're recommending be considered
9	for degrees, but only if they it
10	seems to me if you think there
11	should be someone on the list who is
12	not on the list, you should go ahead
13	and propose that the list be amended
14	now. And then afterwards people
15	will check to make sure whether they
16	should get their degrees in in a
17	few week's time.
18	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: I'm not necessarily
19	agreeing with you or disagreeing.
20	Jacquie, is there a hazard in what
21	Bob Grossman just mentioned?
22	HAGER: No.
23	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: No.
24	HAGER: We're not conferring the
25	degrees. That doesn't happen until

1	degree checkout occurs after, in
2	this particular case, graduation has
3	occurred because the final day for
4	grades is not until after
5	graduation.
6	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Okay. Then let me
7	if there are any senators who are
8	somewhat confident that a name
9	should have been there, this is your
10	chance to add it, then. And I'm
11	very glad that you are showing so
12	much interest regarding an item
13	which is very important. I'll come
14	back to you. Connie Wood.
15	WOOD: With my history in the graduate
16	school, I think that we should be
17	very careful about adding names to
18	this list. This is a process which
19	is initiated by the student, and it
20	is the student prerogative to
21	initiate that graduation. There are
22	many students for many reasons,
23	especially at the graduate level,
24	who do not wish to have a May
25	degree. They would prefer to have

1	that degree be delayed until
2	August. That is a student
3	prerogative, and I would be very
4	uncomfortable with adding names of
5	students who have not completed the
6	application for degree process.
7	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Are there any other
8	comments?
9	FORGUE: I'm going to (inaudible due to
10	coughing) because in this case she's
11	on the wrong spot on the list.
12	She's under Master of Science rather
13	than Ph.D, so but maybe she
14	filled out the application for
15	degree card wrong and the Director
16	of Graduate Studies signed it and
17	didn't notice that, which is bad
18	because it was me.
19	HAGER: Send me that name and
20	FORGUE: We'll worry about it later.
21	I'm not going to amend the motion.
22	Sorry about all this.
23	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Absolutely not. In
24	fact, in a way I am pleased that
25	there is some active consideration

1	of this item and it's not an item
2	that is rubber-stamped. We used to
3	have a senator who usually sits here
4	which always complained that this is
5	perfunctory. I don't see him now.
6	I wish he was here.
7	GROSSMAN: Do you need a mirror?
8	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: That was Bob
9	Grossman.
10	CIBULL: This is worse than perfunctory.
11	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Are there any other
12	comments? All those in favor of
13	this I forgot; was this a motion,
14	or we decided this is not we
15	decided it was a motion. It was
16	moved and seconded. All those in
17	favor of this motion, please
18	indicate so by raising your hand.
19	Opposed? Abstain? It's unanimous;
20	motion carries. At the beginning of
21	this meeting, I was worried; what if
22	we finish before Professor Provost
23	Swamy gets here. For some reason
24	I'm no longer worried about that.
25	Okay. Next item is a similar item.

Τ	we'll not ask Dr. Jones to give me
2	the background again. The same
3	background that was covered
4	applies. I need a motion that the
5	elected university faculty senators
6	approve this degree list for
7	submission through the President to
8	the Board of Trustees as the
9	recommended degree to be conferred
10	by the board. Of course, this is
11	the candidates of KCTCS, most and
12	mainly from BCTC, for credentials.
13	Name?
14	BOLLINGER: Chris Bollinger, Economics,
15	so moved.
16	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: We need a second.
17	JONES: Second.
18	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Professor Jones. Are
19	there any discussion? We could have
20	the same discussion one more time.
21	Okay. All those in favor, please
22	indicate so by raising your hands.
23	Opposed? Abstain? It's unanimous;
24	motion carries. Thank you again.
25	Okay. Winter Intersession report:

1	If you recall, three or four years
2	ago we accepted or approved a pilot
3	program for intersession and the
4	condition of that pilot was that in
5	three years we would then vote
6	again. It came to the Senate
7	Council, and it came in the form of
8	a report by Associate Provost for
9	Undergraduate Education, Professor
10	Phil Kraemer, so I will be asking
11	him now to please come to the podium
12	and give the same report to this
13	body.
14	KRAEMER: Good afternoon. There's
15	actually two things we're to
16	present. The first is the winter
17	session. The second the Provost is
18	presenting later, and he's a clever
19	man. He wanted to practice an old
20	rhetorical trick; in order to have
21	his presentation well-received, he
22	wanted an inferior presentation to
23	precede it. Hence, here I am. I
24	promise not to disappoint. The main
25	question for the Winter Intersession

1	was: Is this a good idea? Should
2	we continue to do this? And that
3	question actually breaks down into a
4	couple of subcomponent questions:
5	What is the purpose of the Winter
6	Intersession? Are we realizing that
7	purpose? And the more important
8	question that I think is on the mind
9	of the faculty was: Are we
10	reaching are we really providing
11	the kind of educational quality in
12	the intersession that we would
13	want? This is a compressed winter
14	session. This is a period in which
15	students complete courses within
16	about three weeks. So I'll try to
17	present some evidence to address
18	both of those questions in terms of
19	the purpose and whether or not we're
20	realizing that purpose. I'll give
21	you some evidence based on student
22	perspective. This is a sign that
23	says we have extra time, which is
24	not in your best interest because I
25	can make this very long. The

1	student perspective, we'll look at
2	some survey information and the
3	teacher course evaluation data that
4	we provide in most of our courses.
5	There's also a faculty perspective
6	that I think is very important for
7	you to appreciate. I won't dally
8	for too long here, anticipating many
9	questions, perhaps, to fill the
10	time. This is an example of the
11	course roster from 2004. I will
12	quickly scan over 2005 and 2006.
13	Realize we don't have many courses.
14	That's one point. There's also a
15	fairly modest distribution of
16	courses, primarily in the social
17	sciences and humanities, with a few
18	courses, as you will see later on,
19	at the graduate level. About 12 or
20	13 courses in each of the three
21	intersessions to date. There are
22	some courses that have been offered
23	in all three sessions, and those
24	provided a pretty good source of
25	information about the quality of

1	education. The real intent of the
2	Winter Intersession, as I recall it,
3	was to provide students another
4	opportunity to complete course work
5	in order to make progress to degree,
6	in addition to the fall and spring
7	semesters that are summer sessions.
8	It was never intended to be a
9	revenue source. So the real goal
10	here is to allow students an
11	opportunity to take courses to move
12	ahead in their progress of degree.
13	Now, with that intention in mind,
14	these data tend to support the
15	notion that Winter Intersession is
16	realizing that goal. Most of the
17	students are seniors, followed by
18	juniors, a few sophomores, and there
19	have been very few first-year
20	students. And that's probably a
21	good thing, if we think that the
22	compressed schedule is at all
23	challenging, so that it's the more
24	mature students who are completing
25	courses during this compressed

1	schedule. We asked students why did
2	they enroll, and the predominate
3	answer was to make progress to
4	degree, to get ahead, to catch up.
5	Very few of them indicated for
6	intellectual interest. Apparently
7	we are satisfying the intellectual
8	appetites of students quite well in
9	the spring and fall semester. We
10	asked them how satisfied they were
11	with the course offerings. This is
12	important in terms of whether we
13	wanted to expand the Winter
14	Intersession. You see about a third
15	of the students were somewhat
16	dissatisfied, suggesting we could
17	offer more courses and also a
18	greater variety of courses. More
19	than a third of the students were
20	rather indifferent or agnostic on
21	this question, and less than a third
22	were satisfied with what we
23	offered. These are now responses
24	that get to the question of whether
25	or not this compressed schedule is

1	providing educational quality. We
2	asked students explicitly about the
3	pace. Very few of them felt it was
4	too slow; most thought it was just
5	right; and a few did think it was
6	too fast. And this is really a
7	theme that I would end with at some
8	point, and that would be that the
9	Winter Intersession probably is not
10	meant for all students, probably not
11	meant for all courses, or even for
12	all instructors. One of the
13	considerations in terms of the
14	quality educational experience we
15	offer are the services available to
16	students that support these courses,
17	and one such service would be the
18	library. So we asked students
19	whether they were satisfied with the
20	availability of resources, and the
21	majority of students were either
22	indifferent or satisfied. But there
23	is a concern I'm losing the
24	clicker light here, I think some
25	increase in the dissatisfaction in

1	2006; that's the last Winter
2	Intersession. We don't know yet
3	what that's about, but I think we do
4	need to keep in mind that students
5	not only need the library; they
6	perhaps need tutoring services, etc.
7	So I would advise that we ensure
8	that the services are available to
9	them. I remind you, this session
10	goes between the end of the fall
11	semester and the beginning of the
12	spring semester. One week of that,
13	the university is closed; and during
14	most of that period, it's a fairly
15	quiet time at the university. We
16	intentionally wanted students to
17	think about their experience during
18	the winter intersession relative to
19	their experience during normal
20	semesters, and surprisingly the
21	majority, 50 percent, felt that it
22	was a better experience than they
23	had during spring or fall. Another
24	huge chunk felt it was about the
25	same, and very few felt that it was

1	worse than what we accomplish during
2	the fall and spring. Would you
3	enroll again? They seem to be
4	telling us yes. So in terms of
5	whether or not this is the
6	intersession is meeting our intent,
7	our goals, the students seem to be
8	telling us that it is, that we could
9	perhaps even expand it. The more
10	important data are to look at the
11	learning, per se. Now, we really
12	don't have any direct evidence on
13	the student learning outcomes; we
14	have indirect evidence. And I turn
15	primarily to the student, to the
16	course and faculty evaluations that
17	are done at the end of each course.
18	And there are two sets of items:
19	Some course items that look at
20	questions that should be informative
21	if the compressed schedule is
22	adversely affecting student
23	learning. Specifically, we asked
24	students whether their graded
25	assignments were returned promptly,

1	whether the grading was fair and
2	consistent, and whether the graded
3	assignments included comments. And
4	then I'll also present a graph of
5	four other questions we looked at of
6	instructor variables and student
7	learning outcome items. And here
8	the questions were: Was the
9	instructor available for
10	consultation? Again, a concern
11	during a compressed period. Did you
12	gain understanding of concepts and
13	principles? Their perception of the
14	quality of learning. Did the course
15	stimulate you to read further? And
16	finally, did writing assignments
17	help understanding course material?
18	Strongly disagree, disagree, agree,
19	and strongly agree, and if you look
20	at the data, I think students are
21	fairly content. They seem to be
22	telling us that the assignments are
23	returned promptly and that they view
24	the grading as fair and consistent
25	and that they are getting meaningful

1	feedback on the assignments. And
2	likewise here, these responses tend
3	to support the notion that their
4	perceptions are that the quality of
5	learning is where they would like
6	it, perhaps, that faculty are
7	available to consult. They feel
8	they are gaining understanding of
9	principles and concepts. They are
10	being stimulated to read more, which
11	is good. And most surprising,
12	perhaps, is that the writing the
13	feedback on writing assignments did
14	help them. Again, these are courses
15	that are conducted over a three-week
16	period. If you look at the overall
17	evaluations, both in terms of the
18	course and the instructors, these
19	are cumulative averages over all
20	three winter intersessions, over all
21	courses, and you see the students
22	are quite satisfied. Most of them
23	agree that the instructor is very
24	good. Average is a 3.4 for the
25	course evaluation and 3.5 for the

1	instructor evaluation. I wanted to
2	compare those data to data from the
3	same courses that were taught in the
4	regular semester. So I looked at
5	2004 and compared the Winter
6	Intersession for '04 to the adjacent
7	spring '04 session and also looked
8	at 2006 and compared the Winter
9	Intersession to the fall '06
10	semester session. Now, what you see
11	are the three possibilities here.
12	There are some courses in which
13	students compared the quality as
14	about equal. There are some
15	situations in which the interterm is
16	regarded as lower in quality and
17	some situations in which interterm
18	tends to score higher, but nothing
19	systematic that would indicate that
20	the students are feeling as though
21	these winter intersession courses
22	are inferior to what they would
23	expect during regular semesters.
24	I'm not going to linger on the
25	course distributions. I'll flash

1	through these very quickly, although
2	not too quickly, as I see the
3	indication that the Provost is not
4	here yet. I was looking for two
5	extremes. Are they getting all A's?
6	Are they all getting E's? Neither
7	extreme appears. If you're very
8	attentive to this presentation, you
9	may have already concluded that
10	there seems to be a positively
11	skewed distribution. One might
12	describe that as grade inflation.
13	These are courses in which you have
14	very few students enrolled. You
15	have, perhaps, a more intense
16	motivation to do well, if they are
17	indeed trying to catch up. And for
18	many courses, this may be a very
19	good way to learn. This is the only
20	course they're taking, so it's hard
21	to make much of the course
22	distribution data. So I'll just
23	quickly scan by, and finally we gave
24	a very brief survey to faculty who
25	taught in the Winter Intersession.

1	We asked three primary questions:
2	Was the Winter Intersession a good
3	educational experience for your
4	students? Did you cover the same
5	amount of material as you would in a
6	normal semester? And do you
7	recommend continuing Winter
8	Intersession? We had nine
9	respondents. A, B, C, G and H were
10	full-time faculty. D was a part-
11	time faculty instructor. E and F
12	were graduate students, and I was a
13	clinical title series faculty. So
14	what you see is that, in terms of
15	the question was it a good
16	experience from the faculty
17	perspective, the majority are saying
18	yes, only one no. The plus
19	indicates a rather robust yes: Yes,
20	indeed, it was a very good
21	experience. The asterisk indicates
22	a qualified yes. This indicates
23	yes, it was a good experience, but I
24	would not necessarily recommend it
25	for all students, nor would I

1	recommend that all courses be
2	available. For question two, notice
3	that three of the respondents said
4	they did not cover the same amount
5	of material, but the majority said
6	they did. And then finally: Would
7	you recommend continuing it? Again,
8	there's some majority are yeses,
9	one no, and a couple of robust
10	yeses. If you look at our three-
11	week compressed schedule relative to
12	best practices, I'd make two
13	points. Can you learn within three
14	weeks the standard courses?. If
15	you're unfamiliar with the Colorado
16	College program, students
17	essentially take one course at a
18	time. Courses usually go in three
19	weeks' duration. That's the only
20	course the student has. They're
21	concentrated. There is a precedent
22	for teaching material within three
23	weeks. The more important precedent
24	would be indicated by those research
25	universities that have winter

1	intersessions comparable to our
2	own. Maryland has been at it for a
3	long time. They have a very
4	extensive course offering. Cornell,
5	Ohio University, Delaware, Iowa,
6	Arizona. So I think there's
7	certainly precedent for the idea of
8	a Winter Intersession. Yes, it's
9	compressed. Yes, it could be
10	stressful for students. But I would
11	offer these conclusions: It appears
12	to be achieving its purpose; that's
13	promote progress to degree. It
14	gives students an opportunity to
15	catch up, get ahead. There's enough
16	interest from students to suggest
17	that we could expand the program. I
18	think that needs to be determined by
19	the faculty, the departments, the
20	deans of the colleges. There's no
21	evidence that the Winter
22	Intersession compromises student
23	learning, but certainly the caveat
24	would be that not all courses are
25	appropriate. Instructors generally

1	support the winter intersessions.
2	Ergo, I conclude that we should
3	continue with the Winter
4	Intersession. I'll give you one
5	personal reference. I've taught a
6	course here at UK, Psychology 260.
7	It's a statistics methodology
8	course. I taught it at other
9	research universities. I taught it
10	in a large lecture format, small
11	classes, during the spring, during
12	the fall and during the four-week
13	session. And during the four week
14	session, we met over four weeks, but
15	only four meetings per week. I can
16	tell you that the best learning that
17	I saw in that course was during that
18	four-week compressed session. I
19	think for some courses a compressed
20	calendar is a virtue. It was the
21	only course the students took. They
22	were focused for three hours a day.
23	They didn't even have time to
24	forget. They didn't have time to
25	get distracted, and many of them

1	found that it was a very enjoyable
2	learning experience. I'll be happy
3	to answer any questions you might
4	have. Make them long.
5	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Are there any
6	questions? Joe?
7	SOTTILE: Yeah, Joe Sottile,
8	Engineering. First of all, I've
9	taken three courses when I was in
10	school, each one less than three
11	weeks, and I think it's a great way
12	to learn. I think the fact that you
13	only have one course to focus on is
14	really a plus. So I've kind of
15	experienced it from that end; I
16	haven't taught it. And I suppose I
17	agree that not all courses are
18	suitable for it, but I really think
19	that the majority are. All right?
20	So I think it's great. I do have
21	two questions. One is: Did you do
22	any comparison on the GPA of the
23	students from, say, spring '04
24	versus winter session '04 to see how
25	they performed? And the second

1	thing is: I originally thought that
2	when this was proposed that you had
3	to have fairly large numbers in
4	order to justify doing it, that
5	there was kind of a break-off
6	number. And I saw some of these
7	were much lower than I expected,
8	which might indicate there's more
9	opportunities there than we
10	originally thought.
11	KRAEMER: The first question, no, we
12	didn't compare GPAs. The second, I
13	don't know if Phil has a better
14	answer than what I would give, but I
15	think the goal that our former
16	provost had for this, it was really
17	to provide an opportunity for
18	students to get ahead. And as long
19	as it was a break-even, I think, was
20	the concern. So rather than having
21	the normal limits that are often
22	imposed to do better than break
23	even, there was a willingness to
24	really experiment with this as a
25	pilot program and to see how well

1	what attraction it would be over a
2	three-year period. Phil, I don't
3	know if you want to embellish that
4	at all.
5	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You're absolutely
6	correct. Mike Nietzel, then the
7	Provost, said let's try it; let's
8	see if we can do it. The only
9	directive was not to lose money on
10	it, so you can go with quite small
11	numbers in a class.
12	SOTTILE: What would be the smallest
13	number? I saw five. What's the
14	smallest number we could hope for,
15	for break-even?
16	KRAEMER: Some of these the students may
17	have dropped, so the data are,
18	maybe, a little dirty. Bob.
19	GROSSMAN: Yeah. First of all, very
20	nice assessment, and thank you. I
21	was quite skeptical of the project
22	when it was first proposed, but I
23	think you've done a really nice job
24	of showing that it works. I have a
25	question, though. You mentioned a

1	four-week session, summer session.
2	Is there any reason why that could
3	not be compressed down to three
4	weeks?
5	KRAEMER: I don't I don't see any
6	reason why it could not be
7	compressed. Again, for some courses
8	it might not be good. I'd like to
9	get even more radical. I'd like to
10	consider, couldn't we teach some of
11	our courses during fall and spring
12	semester in compressed format?
13	There may be some real virtues to
14	that.
15	GROSSMAN: Some of the language courses
16	already do that, actually.
17	KRAEMER: They do. They do.
18	GROSSMAN: For those of you who aren't
19	aware, some of the 101/102 and
20	201/202 language sequences are
21	taught within a single semester and
22	students I call it double-time
23	language. And in this university,
24	my advisees who have taken that said
25	it was great, especially because a

1	lot of them are required to take
2	four semesters of a language, so
3	this compresses that, the amount of
4	time.
5	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Any other question?
6	DEBSKI: Liz Debski, Biology. I'm
7	wondering if you made any assessment
8	about what the requirements for the
9	classes were, so I was struck by
10	that that bit about the writing
11	and how pleased they were. But I
12	also know from my own student
13	evaluations that students often
14	answer questions that have nothing
15	to do with the class like, you know,
16	I don't have a recitation, and they
17	go right ahead and answer those
18	questions on those recitations. And
19	so and so I'm wondering, you
20	know, were there many writing
21	assignments in these classes?
22	Because like engineering, I saw a
23	lot of engineering statistics.
24	KRAEMER: That was English, ENG.
25	DEBSKI: Oh.

1	KRAEMER: But I trust that students
2	would never answer a question that
3	wouldn't be pertinent.
4	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Any other questions?
5	Okay. One point regarding what Bob
6	said on compressing, I don't know if
7	I'm going to get myself into
8	trouble, but I often teach an eight-
9	week course. And I ask our people
10	to be, beforehand, instead of
11	allocating 60 days [sic] a day, five
12	days a week, allocate 75 minutes,
13	still five, with the understanding
14	that either I give the students off
15	every Friday or if they want to come
16	to Fridays, I will then finish in
17	six weeks rather than eight weeks.
18	Or if fourth of July is on a
19	Tuesday, they could also have the
20	Monday off to give me flexibility.
21	So a four-week session could be
22	compressed in this fashion on a one-
23	on-one basis. Just a suggestion.
24	Okay. Now, we need let me see if
25	I could do this myself. I think I

1	did it. Yes. All right. I did
2	decide we do need a motion to
3	receive this report. Senate Council
4	has already received it, so I would
5	like the Senate to formally receive
6	this report. We need a motion.
7	GROSSMAN: So moved, Bob Grossman.
8	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: So we have a second
9	there.
10	WOOD: Right here.
11	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Connie Wood. Any
12	further discussion on this item?
13	All those in favor of receiving this
14	report, please indicate so by
15	raising your hand. Opposed?
16	Abstain? It was unanimous; motion
17	carries. Now, now we are to the
18	business of extending the Winter
19	Intersession pilot. The main reason
20	that we decided not to approve it
21	outright, but rather to extend it
22	and, please, those of you who are
23	Senate Council members or Phil,
24	correct me if I stray. Today it
25	seems that I have made quite a few

1	mistakes. The reason was apparently
2	these courses were not included in
3	Provost Learning Outcome Assessment,
4	and we would want to have seen these
5	assessments for one cycle of three
6	years before we approve this perhaps
7	permanently. So with for that
8	reason, we have recommended that
9	this be approved for another pilot.
10	This particular motion does not
11	require a second because it came
12	from the Senate Council with a
13	positive recommendation, that the
14	Senate approve another three-year
15	pilot of the Winter Intersession for
16	2007/2008, 2008/2009, 2009/2010 and
17	that the courses involved be
18	included in the Provost Learning
19	Outcome Assessment and that such
20	data will be provided to the Senate
21	Council and Senate in time for
22	reapproval. Are there any further
23	discussion on this item? We don't
24	need a motion or a second. It's
25	already according to Robert's

1	Rule of Order, it's ready to be
2	voted on. No further discussion?
3	All those in favor, please indicate
4	so by raising your hands. Opposed?
5	Abstain? It's unanimous, and motion
6	carries. One more: Now we need to
7	approve the calendar, and we did say
8	contingent upon your approval. So
9	in case you did not approve the
10	pilot, then this will have been a
11	moot point and we would not have
12	presented it to you. We have the
13	calendar. I trust it's in your
14	handouts. This is coming from
15	Senate Council with a positive
16	recommendation. We don't need a
17	motion for it. Are there any
18	discussion on this calendar? We
19	receive these calendars from the
20	registrar, and it's we check it.
21	We expect that you check it. Very
22	rarely we have indicated some
23	corrections here and there, but
24	usually stuff that we see from the
25	very start are perfect. All those

1	in favor of approving the Winter
2	Annual Session 2007/2008 Calendar,
3	please indicate so by raising your
4	hands. Opposed? Abstain? It's
5	unanimous, and the motion carries.
6	Item number nine: If you recall
7	of course, this is a long history.
8	I'm not going to go over it.
9	Provost Subbaswamy is here, so I
10	don't need to extend this. We have
11	had the external report; we have had
12	the GERA report; and a committee was
13	formed. Originally we expected that
14	perhaps a recommendation might be
15	made this year, but the committee,
16	even though they the message was
17	given to them, they realized and
18	they decided that they need extra
19	time and this item needs extra
20	attention. So in view of a proposal
21	in front of you, since this was
22	supposed to be the last meeting of
23	the semester, now we have a progress
24	report, again, by Associate Provost
25	for Undergraduate Education. Please

1	come and give us the progress
2	report.
3	KRAEMER: Well, thank you for having me
4	back so quickly. I'm going to be
5	very quick here. These are the
6	committee members. Some are
7	official committee members and
8	support. Myself; Steve Hoch, Dean
9	of A & S; Nancy Johnson, Business
10	and Economics; Larry Grabau,
11	representing both the Senate Council
12	and College of Agriculture; Kim
13	Anderson, College of Engineering;
14	Richard Greissman, Provost Office;
15	Deb Moore, Director of Assessment;
16	and Jen Skaggs, graduate assistant.
17	All of them are helping us. We've
18	been working very diligently. We're
19	meeting on a schedule designed to
20	meet weekly, but we really reached a
21	point where we recognized that we
22	couldn't bring forth something that
23	was somewhat formed; it had to be in
24	the finalized form. We want to
25	bring to you a proposal that's in

1	explicit, comprehensive detail; and
2	more importantly, we really feel
3	compelled to offer a rationale in
4	terms of a written document that
5	really presents this in a thoughtful
6	way that allows all to view the
7	proposal that we're going to offer
8	in a context, both in terms of the
9	university and the national scene.
10	There is a history that Kaveh
11	referred to. In terms of the
12	steering committee, it was appointed
13	basically to take the white paper
14	that the Provost distributed to the
15	faculty as a beginning point and to
16	incorporate the feedback from all
17	faculty who chose to provide
18	feedback. And there was quite a bit
19	of feedback for us to work with,
20	both from individuals and in some
21	cases it was representing curriculum
22	committees and departments, etc.,
23	very thoughtful feedback. Some of
24	it ranged from very brief accolades
25	to not so brief, not so accolade.

1	But it's important to really respond
2	to that feedback. In addition, the
3	group has been diligent in trying to
4	regard the national dialogue that is
5	moving ahead in terms of reform of
6	general education and to mold all of
7	that information into a concrete
8	proposal that would bring forth to
9	this body a framework that really
10	points to a curriculum. And to do
11	that, we really need a bit more
12	time. We're going to continue to
13	work over the summer. We're hoping
14	to incorporate some views of more
15	faculty in this phase and then bring
16	to you, early in the fall semester,
17	a very detailed proposal. I will
18	share with you a list of the
19	principles that we have been
20	emphasizing in our discussions.
21	Some of these were emphasized in the
22	white paper itself; some may be
23	new. The goal is about educational
24	enrichment to improve general
25	education for our students and for

1	this university. We're looking at
2	better preparation for citizenship
3	and living in a flat world. Some of
4	you may be uncomfortable with the
5	Friedman reference, but the reality
6	is that our students are going to
7	enter a very complicated world, a
8	world that's changing very quickly,
9	a dynamic world, and they have to be
10	prepared for that. They have to be
11	more flexible than students may have
12	been in the past. They have to have
13	nimble minds, ready to encounter
14	uncertainty. We have to recognize
15	the constraints under which we
16	operate. Some of those are fiscal
17	constraints, resources. Constraints
18	include enrollment pressures, but
19	the context is also important: The
20	context of our Top 20 aspirations,
21	the national context, the intense
22	scrutiny that is being given to
23	higher education as exemplified by
24	The Spellings Report. We are aiming
25	to provide a general education

1	curriculum that begins to introduce
2	students to scholarship, that rely
3	allows to us provide a kind of
4	education that truly only is
5	available at a research university.
6	So they really begin to appreciate
7	what defines this institution: That
8	all the faculty are engaged in some
9	form of scholarship. And the
10	students really need to be
11	introduced to that, both in terms of
12	inspiration, but also in terms of
13	what they really need to learn in
14	order to face the world ahead. We
15	want to emphasize assessment. We
16	think it's imperative that we be
17	able to define what the outcomes of
18	this curriculum will be, and we have
19	to be able to measure those
20	outcomes. That has not been the
21	case with the existing USP. There
22	is a practical desire to decrease
23	the number of credit hours
24	associated with the general
25	education curriculum. We want to

1	place an emphasis on inquiry and
2	problem-solving rather than content-
3	based survey courses. This is part
4	of the ambition in having students
5	prepared for a world of uncertainty,
6	a world where they may change jobs
7	three or four times within the first
8	five years upon graduation. And
9	it's more important that they be
10	able to retrain, learn, teach
11	themselves, than necessarily to
12	retain specific content. Now, we're
13	not giving up on content,
14	obviously. We want to emphasize the
15	development of evidence-based
16	thinking. It really is imperative
17	that any graduate of this
18	institution understands what's going
19	on in the debate between intelligent
20	design and evolution, that it's not
21	about which belief is correct; it's
22	really about how do those beliefs
23	develop. What's different about
24	scientific inquiry from other forms
25	of inquiry? And I'm not convinced

1	that our students necessarily get
2	that by dipping their toes twice
3	into the natural science pond, twice
4	into the social science, and twice
5	into the humanities pond, which is
6	the nature of our existing USP. We
7	want better integration of cognitive
8	skills, skills that can be practiced
9	throughout their experience here
10	within the majors themselves. Some
11	of the best learning for some of
12	these skills will be embedded in the
13	major, including writing, world
14	communication, quantitative skills.
15	Certainly information literacy is
16	becoming a paramount concern, and
17	very often the best practice for
18	that is going to be within the
19	major. So we want to avoid this
20	distinction between general
21	education and the major. We want to
22	think about quantitative reasoning
23	in a way that meets general
24	education goals, not necessarily
25	preparing students for the next math

1	course if they're going to pursue a
2	career in the STEM disciplines. We
3	have to find a way of really
4	redefining quantitative skills. We
5	want to consider a program that's
6	not confined to the first two years,
7	to take advantage, again, of being
8	able to get more from the majors
9	with respect to general education.
10	And we certainly want to include
11	enhanced pedagogy as part of what we
12	want to present to you, not just a
13	new curriculum, but a new way of
14	teaching, a new way of students
15	learning that is really a part of
16	something that will be quite
17	special. And finally, we want to
18	ensure that the responsibility for
19	general education is distributed
20	over more of the undergraduate
21	colleges and ideally all the
22	colleges so that we don't put the
23	extreme onus on one or two
24	colleges. Much of this is easier to
25	say than to do, but with enough

1	commitment that we have on the
2	committee, we're going to work very
3	hard to draft a compelling argument
4	for you to look at. I'm pleased
5	with the progress we've made. I do
6	want to thank all of you for the
7	thoughtful feedback you've
8	provided. We've been at this a long
9	time, and we hope to be able to
10	bring something worthy of that
11	investment done. And that's that.
12	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Thank you, professor
13	Kraemer. Please don't go too far.
14	Are there any questions for our
15	Associate Provost on this item?
16	Okay. Then what I'd like to suggest
17	is, similarly, I need a motion on
18	that. I'd like to recommend that
19	the Senate receive the USP Report,
20	Steering Committee Progress Report.
21	YANARELLA: So moved, Ernie Yanarella.
22	BOLLINGER: Second, Chris Bollinger.
23	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Is there any
24	discussion? All those in favor of
25	this motion, please indicate so by

1	raising your hands. Opposed?
2	Abstain? It's unanimous, and motion
3	carries. Okay. The next item is
4	the State of Academic Affairs
5	Address. I hope you could make this
6	a tradition which should have been
7	here maybe in the past. If you
8	recall, on the first meeting of the
9	year, we have the President; we have
10	the pleasure of having the President
11	here to give us the State of the
12	University Address. I think it is
13	equally befitting to have the last
14	item, for our Provost to give the
15	State of the Academic Affairs
16	Address. Swamy, please. Thank you
17	for coming sooner. I know how
18	precious your time. If my paycheck
19	could cover this coming couple of
20	minutes sooner, I am willing to. I
21	also want to make sure if Swamy
22	noticed that I have started using
23	the title Professor for Associate
24	Provost and the Provost. So even
25	though the HR doesn't consider the

1	deans and the Provost faculty and
2	they consider them staff, the Senate
3	and the Senators consider them
4	faculty. Did you notice that,
5	Swamy?
6	SUBBASWAMY: I did.
7	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Should I repeat it?
8	SUBBASWAMY: One more time.
9	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Professor.
10	SUBBASWAMY: Professor. That's what my
11	business card says.
12	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Exactly. That's also
13	true.
14	(SOTTO VOCE DISCUSSION.)
15	SUBBASWAMY: Isn't it a beautiful
16	campus? I think it is. Certainly
17	coming back nine years later, I
18	really think the campus has gotten
19	prettier. Those of you who have
20	just been here may not think so, but
21	there are a lot of uglier campuses;
22	believe me. Purdue, for example.
23	The Academic State of Affairs
24	Address sounds too formal. Those of
25	you who know me know that I don't

1	have a formal bone in me, so it will
2	be difficult for me to act very
3	dignified and give an address, so I
4	hope it's a conversation among
5	colleagues. Also, I suppose the
6	normal expectation, at least on the
7	part of the provosts, is that this
8	will be a time to brag about all the
9	wonderful things I have done and
10	show how my resume building is
11	working. But I hate to tell you I
12	will disappoint you and present some
13	challenges, and that's really the
14	emphasis of what I want to do here.
15	Wrong one. Left hand doesn't mean
16	that you press the left. Oh, here
17	we go. The first thing I want to do
18	is tell you that the business plan
19	funding model represents a
20	fundamental change in how the
21	university relates to the
22	legislature, to the Council on
23	Postsecondary Education. So whatever
24	else you may or may not think about
25	the business plan, the Top 20 and

1	all this, however cynical your
2	approach, I want you to understand
3	that the budgetary significance
4	should not be underestimated. It
5	just changes the nature of the
6	conversation. And I haven't taught
7	a physics class in a long time, so I
8	love writing equations. So the
9	prior approach was to say that
10	whatever money is left over after
11	you subtract mandated expenses,
12	utilities, and whatever else the
13	state might mandate that we spend
14	from revenue available, and revenue
15	available in general funds means two
16	things. One is however much the
17	state might give us by way of
18	increment and whatever tuition
19	increase tuition rate increase
20	might be allowed in conversation
21	with the Board of Trustees and the
22	legislature and so forth and the
23	Council on Postsecondary Education
24	in particular, and so whatever is
25	left is what's available for salary

1	pool and program enhancement. And
2	if mandated expenses either exceed
3	or equal revenue available, then you
4	can figure out what happens to the
5	equation. And that's typically what
6	has been the, I think, situation,
7	especially in the last few years at
8	the University of Kentucky. The
9	business plan approach starts from
10	the premise that there was a House
11	Bill 1 mandate that says we're
12	supposed to attain a Top 20 status
13	among colleges and universities, and
14	much as one might disagree with the
15	methodology, use some methodology,
16	come up with a price tag, and say:
17	Here's the price tag; here's how
18	much money is needed over a certain
19	period of time. And therefore, the
20	actual revenue request, then, is
21	mandated expenses plus the Top 20
22	investment pool, which consists of
23	salary pool and program
24	enhancement. And so it changes the
25	equation and puts the legislature in

1	a sense on the defensive because you
2	gave us a mandate and give us the
3	price tag, and this is how our
4	request is composed. And in
5	addition to that, an easy cheat
6	sheet for the legislature that says
7	this is how much money we need,
8	according to what you told us to do;
9	and therefore, you have a graph that
10	says yeah, there we go that
11	says that, depending on how much the
12	state legislature is willing to
13	give this was for the 2007, 2006,
14	2008 biannual said depending on
15	how much money you're willing to
16	give us, the tuition rate would be
17	correspondingly lower. You give us
18	more money; the tuition rate's
19	lower. And in fact, where we ended
20	up for 2007 was the state agreed to
21	give us about 18 million dollars,
22	and we agreed that the tuition raise
23	and fees would be about 9 percent.
24	And in fact, if they wanted the
25	tuition rate would be lower, all

1	they have to do is give us more
2	money. It makes it very simple
3	calculus. So I think it's really,
4	as I said, fundamentally takes the
5	Top 20 mandate from House Bill 1 in
6	1997 and turns it into something
7	concrete in a way in which the
8	conversation with the Council on
9	Postsecondary Education and the
10	legislature changes. And that
11	victory, for the biennium we're in,
12	even though the money really only
13	came in, in the second year of the
14	biennium, I think it's a critical
15	victory. And if we can sustain that
16	going forward over seven biennia, we
17	will have made tremendous progress
18	in pushing this tuition and its
19	benefits to the Commonwealth
20	significantly higher. Even without
21	the full business plan funding,
22	there's been a lot of progress, and
23	that's really a testament to the
24	faculty of this university.
25	Whatever else the limitations we may

1	have in achieving Top 20 status,
2	faculty talent and faculty
3	determination is not among those.
4	They're just outstanding faculty,
5	and the most recent evidence perhaps
6	is the Guggenheim Awards to
7	Professor Zunshine and Professor
8	Little in English and Anthropology,
9	respectively, and the Burroughs
10	Wellcome clinician award for
11	Dr. Ambati in Ophthalmology is
12	another example. These are simply
13	the highest levels of recognition
14	any faculty could get anywhere. And
15	if you look at the list of
16	institutions where these awards,
17	especially multiple Guggenheims and
18	things like that have gone, they are
19	the usual suspects among top
20	universities, and we are keeping
21	company with those, thanks to the
22	hard work of the faculty. The
23	talent is there. It's really a
24	question of other limitations that
25	we have to overcome. Apart from

1	that, here are some of the things
2	that have taken place in conjunction
3	with the business plan, I'm
4	thinking, at least. Initial step
5	toward faculty salary catch-up, and
6	market end catch-up is really how we
7	have to come at it because salaries
8	are stagnating, and that happened in
9	January. Faculty hiring catch-up to
10	cover prior enrollment growth. I
11	have more to say about this. So
12	there were 54 new general-fund
13	supported faculty lines that were
14	allocated and primarily to address
15	the prior enrollment growth. But of
16	course, obviously that also leads to
17	research enhancement because these
18	are always attached to faculty that
19	we've been recruiting. Economic
20	budget has been put on more robust
21	footing. In the last several years,
22	because of the flatness of the state
23	budget and so forth, a lot of things
24	that should have been covered on a
25	recurring budget were covered with

1	just fund balances on a nonrecurring
2	basis. And that's a precarious way
3	for the university to do business
4	and really makes planning very
5	difficult, and that has been taken
6	account taken care of. The
7	campus strategic plan was completed
8	that tries to translate the Top 20
9	Business Plan into an academic
10	plan. And based on that, the
11	colleges were called upon to update
12	and in some instances, perhaps,
13	develop strategic plans. And they
14	have been drafted, and I truly
15	appreciate the good work of the
16	faculty in doing this in time. And
17	they're currently under review, and
18	over the summer the deans and the
19	provost staff and other bodies will
20	get together and try to give
21	feedback to the colleges in terms of
22	perhaps some interlinkages among
23	different college strategic plans
24	and some campus-wide priorities that
25	might be established. Associate

1	Provost for Faculty Affairs Office
2	has been established, and I think
3	ours was critically needed. As I
4	said, the greatest strength we have
5	is faculty; any university does.
6	And we have been talking about
7	significant expansion of the
8	faculty. And so from recruitment to
9	work conditions to compensation to
10	issues to mentoring, I think we
11	really need to have a concerted
12	effort in that regard and examine a
13	lot of the ways we have done
14	business, perhaps do things better,
15	in concert with Top 20 aspirations.
16	And so that office and Dr. Heidi
17	Anderson, the Associate Provost for
18	Faculty Affairs, will be paying a
19	lot of attention to that. Research
20	administration is being streamlined,
21	and I think that formally reporting
22	(unintelligible) have changed, and
23	that really doesn't lead to
24	significant complications from the
25	trenches, but I think one important

1	example that I definitely can
2	mention to you is that for those of
3	you who are either department chairs
4	or associate deans, you will have
5	noticed that we have gone to a
6	one-stop shopping for startup costs
7	negotiations. So it's no longer
8	going here and there, but in the
9	office of the Vice President for
10	Research, the entire discussion
11	takes place. And then we work as
12	one administration rather than two
13	or three different administrations.
14	Diversity efforts are being
15	refocused and expanded. There's a
16	lot of confusion about who is in
17	charge of what and some
18	disagreements, but many of those
19	things have been ironed out. And
20	we're in the process of searching
21	for a Vice President for
22	Institutional Diversity, but in the
23	meantime we're also integrating a
24	lot of our diversity functions with
25	academic functions in general and

1	recruiting functions for general
2	student body, consistent with the
3	Michigan ruling, but also in a way
4	to serve all of our students of all
5	backgrounds better. You've heard
6	about the progress on GERA/USP
7	reform effort. What Professor Phil
8	Kraemer did not tell you is that
9	they have a deadline for presenting
10	a concrete curriculum for discussion
11	to the full faculty body, and that's
12	in fact the beginning of the fall
13	semester. So this development has
14	to take place through the faculty
15	committee we will appoint you and
16	I need to talk about that during
17	the summer and then will be expected
18	to actually bring something forward
19	in the fall semester. I appointed
20	Retention/Graduation Work Group in
21	order to look at our graduation
22	rates, and I'll have a lot more to
23	say about this. And this is really
24	the issue that I think we need to
25	address collectively as an

1	institution, and we're beginning to
2	implement some of that.
3	Recommendations on the Committee for
4	Research and Analysis of Success of
5	African-American Students at UK is
6	being implemented. This is a
7	committee that was appointed last
8	year as a result of some of the
9	recruitment failures we had as well
10	as there is, in fact, a graduation
11	rate differential between our
12	regular student body and then
13	minority student body. And
14	therefore, there was a really very
15	high-powered committee that looked
16	at what are the factors and then
17	have made recommendations to address
18	those, and that committee is still
19	working to do further research and
20	analysis. Student recruitment,
21	admissions and financial aid office
22	is being revamped and strengthened,
23	and I'll have a little more to say
24	about why that is. Next, talk about
25	Top 20 percent. Again, we can have

1	a lot of arguments and debates about
2	whether these measures that were
3	adopted by the university as a part
4	of the Top 20 Business Plan backdrop
5	really make sense. Are they
6	comprehensive? Are they the right
7	kinds of things? Are they all
8	outcome/output measures? Are they
9	mostly input measures? One can have
10	all kinds of debates. But if you
11	say that we want measures that are
12	based on nationally available data,
13	readily available data and readily
14	accepted data and so forth, they're
15	really quite limited in what you can
16	actually tap and which are regularly
17	updated. Remember, all of these
18	requirements will be necessary. If
19	you use all of those things, then
20	it'll be you'll be hard-pressed
21	to come up with a whole bunch of
22	different measures; but again, these
23	are flawed, and I acknowledge that
24	from the outset. But nonetheless,
25	at least for the near term, until we

1	complete our strategic planning
2	documents and come back with a more
3	comprehensive set of measures, this
4	is what we're stuck with. And we,
5	therefore, will be updating them and
6	show our position with regard to
7	other other research
8	universities. There are 90 of them,
9	so for your basis, when you show the
10	rankings, there are about 90 of
11	them, and the rankings will be with
12	regard to those 90 institutions. So
13	there are four domains:
14	Undergraduate Education, Graduate
15	Education I wish it were Graduate
16	and Professional Education, but
17	unfortunately the way it was adopted
18	is in terms of Graduate Education
19	because doctorates granted is one of
20	the numbers that's readily used in
21	many of the rankings. And Faculty
22	Recognition, Citations and Awards,
23	again, lots of things that are wrong
24	with just using citations. American
25	Analytics productivity measure had

1	not been put forward at the time,
2	and maybe as years go, one might
3	adopt those. Then research, of
4	course, you count dollars, and
5	that's sort of the easiest thing to
6	do, but that's not, obviously, the
7	best way of getting at the full
8	picture of research productivity and
9	research impact of any institution.
10	Acknowledging all of those, these
11	are clearly the nine measures that
12	the university currently operates
13	with. The SAT/ACT scores baseline
14	is the 2004 data, which was
15	presented in the analysis of the
16	budget plan, and then the spring
17	2007 update comes from all the
18	updated information reported for all
19	institutions, which some of them are
20	2005 data, I have to tell you; some
21	are 2006 data. But here are the
22	updates. So we were ranked 47th at
23	the baseline, and this is, of
24	course, before a dollar a penny
25	of any business plan funding has

1	actually gone into effect. So even
2	the 54 faculty lines, recruitment
3	has just been completed or is still
4	going on. Not all the faculty are
5	here, and we haven't been able to
6	see the impact. Georgia held 20th
7	when that baseline comparison was
8	done, ACT score of SAT of 1193;
9	we were at 1128. Kentucky remains
10	at 47th. There's movement.
11	Obviously, Georgia moved up a little
12	bit to the 20th place among public
13	research universities, and there is
14	a gap in terms of the student
15	profile. Student-to-faculty ratio,
16	we went from 17 to 18 and lost from
17	35th to 45th, slipped; and again,
18	this was at a time when
19	undergraduate enrollment grew by
20	about 2,000, not just in that period
21	but substantially without any
22	faculty being added. And, again,
23	there are things about these kinds
24	of rankings that we want to talk
25	about. This actually rounds the

1	numbers. The decimals aren't
2	capped, so if you're at 17.4, you're
3	17; if you're at 17.6, you're 18.
4	They're all bunched up, and so I
5	wouldn't take this terribly
6	seriously for the following reason:
7	It's a very coarse number. Just
8	take total head count divided by the
9	total faculty head count, and there
10	you are. That doesn't really tell
11	you what goes on in the different
12	classrooms, but this is how U.S.
13	News & World Report, among others,
14	reports student/faculty ratios, and
15	caveat emptor is all I have to say.
16	Six-year graduation rate, and this
17	is one that I really want to focus
18	on; I'll come back towards the end
19	of the talk. We were at 59.6
20	percent six-year graduation rate,
21	and this is a standard way in which,
22	nationally, numbers are measured and
23	reported. You take a cohort and six
24	years later ask, of the first-time
25	college students, how many have

1	graduated from your institution.
2	That's the standard measure. You
3	can argue about whether that's the
4	best measure, but that's the
5	standard measure that's used
6	nationally and will become a part
7	of, I'm sure, any kind of federal
8	accountability measures in addition
9	to other things. So we have to pay
10	attention to this whether we agree
11	with it or not. And that's the best
12	sort of outcomes measure we have at
13	this point, until a learning
14	outcomes measurement becomes
15	something that everyone adopts and
16	agrees on a methodology. The 20th
17	position is held by Clemson at 72.4
18	percent, so we're talking about a
19	12-percent or bigger than 12-percent
20	difference. That, in fact, changed
21	to where we have about 59.8. That
22	has climbed further in the latest
23	numbers that I'll show you. Clemson
24	held the 20th position, but their
25	graduation rate went up to 75.1

1	percent. And all the others that
2	you think of, the Michigans and
3	UCLAs and so forth, are much
4	higher. So that's the one place
5	where we look really, really bad in
6	terms of where we are, and it's the
7	hardest one to tackle. Doctorates
8	granted, we again, a lot of these
9	things don't really normalize for
10	faculty size and so forth. And so I
11	think until we grow to the size that
12	we think we're going to grow to,
13	we're going to stay somewhere in
14	these neighborhoods and not much you
15	can say. In terms of faculty
16	citations, there are other ways for
17	us to really verify that we have a
18	very productive faculty, and I think
19	it's a matter of simply supporting
20	them while hiring more faculty. And
21	I'm not there's not much else to
22	say there because, again, there's a
23	size effect that distorts some of
24	those things. Federal research
25	skipped over one, but that's okay.

1	We were at 35th at 100 million
2	dollars of federal research dollars,
3	contracts. Florida was 20th at 167
4	million at that point, and the
5	latest comparison says we have moved
6	to 33rd at 130 million dollars but
7	210 for the 20th place holder;
8	that's Iowa. So the gap, in fact,
9	has grown significantly. You know,
10	everybody else isn't just sitting
11	around on their laurels. They're
12	also going in for additional faculty
13	expansion as well as additional
14	dollars, so this is not going to be
15	easy. There are facilities issues,
16	lots of challenges to talk about
17	some other time. Nonfederal
18	research, as a land grant
19	institution especially, we do a lot
20	of research that's for funds that
21	come from the state as well as other
22	agencies. And on that score, I
23	think we do quite well as a land
24	grant institution, rank 21st. I
25	want to also point out that when our

1	research dollars have grown,
2	obviously, and we're thankful to the
3	faculty for the hard work that that
4	represents; therefore, overhead
5	dollars grow. What happens to
6	that? Well, you have to invest more
7	and more of that into faculty
8	startup costs; and again, during in
9	the same period you can see that our
10	startup cost, investment coming out
11	of the Vice President for Research
12	Office has gone from about a million
13	and a half to almost a little over 8
14	million dollars in the most recent
15	year. So all of a lot of that
16	money simply has had to be put back
17	into investing in startup costs for
18	new faculty hires. Hiring in
19	chemistry, a topnotch assistant
20	professor can cost somewhere in 6-
21	to 700,000 dollars these days. All
22	right. Now I come to the retention
23	and six-year graduation rate. It's
24	a little busy graph. Bear with me.
25	The red, orange, whatever color

1	graph there represents the first
2	year/second year retention, starting
3	from about 1988 here all the way to
4	2003. The yellow line here
5	represents the six-year graduation
6	rate for cohorts that were
7	graduating in 1990 and so on. That
8	is so when you see this I'm
9	sorry. This is for the cohort that
10	graduated in 2003, which means this
11	is the class that entered in 1997,
12	the six-year graduation rate. So
13	what's plotted here in this graph
14	will get even more confusing on the
15	next one I apologize is that
16	this is the year of graduation,
17	which means if you want to look at
18	where the cohort was, that was six
19	years earlier. And I pointed out
20	that so there are lots of
21	questions. You look at this sort of
22	a graph and say what happened
23	that whether in the six years
24	preceding 1997, from '91 to '97 and
25	even thereafter, that our graduation

1	rate really shot up from 48.1
2	percent all the way straight to 61
3	percent. What miraculous things did
4	we do? How good were we that in
5	fact that came about, or was it
6	something about the student body?
7	You can ask a lot of questions. I
8	don't have an answer. We're working
9	on this. There are lots of
10	different things that were done. UK
11	101 was introduced. Central
12	advising was put in. Living-
13	learning communities were started.
14	Discovery seminars were expanded,
15	various other things. So all we can
16	say and also some other things we
17	ruled out easily. The class size
18	remained about the same, so it's not
19	that the class size declined. The
20	quality of the students as measured
21	by average ACT or high school GPAs
22	really didn't change very much
23	across that period. So it wasn't
24	the size of the class; it was not
25	the quality of the entering class,

1	but something else that was done
2	right, and a lot of times it's just
3	paying attention. I don't know if
4	there's a Malthus effect or
5	something like that. Somebody did
6	an experiment in which, if you just
7	observe something for a while, then
8	things improve for a short period of
9	time. I don't know if that is what
10	transpired here, but I think we
11	really need to try to understand
12	and, in fact, invite senators and
13	faculty at large to really think
14	about these issues and see what we
15	might have done and what we might
16	learn from this. This is really the
17	graduation rate in the more recent,
18	and what I'm plotting here on the
19	right hand, on the X axis, is the
20	year of entry rather than year of
21	graduation, so my explanation is
22	very simple. I left in 1997, and
23	things have been downhill ever
24	since. And now that I'm back, we
25	don't need to do anything else. You

1	know, this is back to that same
2	graph. The 61 is there, and since
3	then it's been declined, flat, and
4	declining. So this is really the
5	class that graduated last fall.
6	This is the class that graduated in
7	2006, and that decline is certainly
8	headed the wrong way for Top 20
9	contention with the Top 12, the fact
10	that we have to reach 75 to catch
11	up. This to me, apart from space
12	for research purposes, is the
13	greatest challenge. For at least
14	space, we know we have to go beg,
15	borrow, steal money here. It's not
16	clear what steps you must take to
17	turn that around, and I think that
18	that to us is the greatest
19	challenge. Certainly for my office
20	it's going to be the greatest
21	challenge, to try to understand and
22	see what can my office do in
23	collaboration with the deans, the
24	chairs and the faculty at large and
25	Vice President for Student Affairs,

1	all of these affairs. And in this
2	regard, some things you can rule
3	out. If you look at, again, our
4	retention rate is about 78 percent,
5	77 percent, which is at least 10
6	percentage points lower than the Top
7	20 Universities. If you look at who
8	left UK after their first year
9	this is from the most recent cohort
10	or I don't know if it's a
11	combination is that not everyone
12	who left, left because they were in
13	poor academic standing. About half
14	of them were in good academic
15	standing when they left. So you
16	can't simply dismiss this by saying,
17	well, they just weren't doing well
18	and they were partying. Maybe they
19	were partying, but they were in good
20	standing. Then this is graduation
21	rates by ACT score ranges from 1995
22	to 1999 cohorts combined. And what
23	I want to point out here is that
24	even for the 28 and over ACT cohort,
25	it's about it's less than 70

1	percent. And then if you come to
2	the 25 to 27 ACT, it's really still
3	pathetically bad. And again, I want
4	to point out that if you look at
5	some of the details, including the
6	rankings in ACT scores where we were
7	45th versus graduation rate, we were
8	54th, you can't explain everything
9	by simply saying we have we're
10	admitting a lot of poorly qualified
11	students. I think even in terms of
12	the better-prepared students, if in
13	fact this is a measure of
14	preparation that's subject to
15	argument we are failing them, and
16	we're not quite producing the same
17	results as our benchmark
18	institutions. There lies a big
19	challenge for us. So the
20	recommendations so far in the first
21	report that has come, again, you
22	know, these are all fairly standard
23	things that any report you could
24	look back and go back five years,
25	ten years, twenty years and find

1	these things. The difference is
2	we're actually going to act on
3	these. Take steps to recruit
4	better-prepared students:
5	Obviously, that's an ongoing battle,
6	more easily said than done. In this
7	day and age, you essentially have to
8	buy the better-prepared students in
9	public universities. Everyone is
10	basically given free rides and all
11	sorts of perks to bring better-
12	qualified students. So it's a
13	vicious cycle in that your
14	reputation has to improve in order
15	for you to recruit a whole class of
16	better-qualified students, and that
17	won't improve until you start
18	admitting more better-qualified
19	students. Breaking that and the
20	amount of money you spend for your
21	scholarships increase, but also
22	marketing and the high-touch, as
23	they say. The better-qualified
24	students, you have to make ten
25	different phone calls and make them

1	want to come to UK. And there are a
2	lot of things that a lot of us can
3	do. I think that this is where
4	invoking the wonderful faculty we
5	have and having them get involved in
6	the recruitment effort of better-
7	qualified students, those that we
8	have admitted, increasing the yield
9	of the better-qualified students and
10	so forth is a part of what we're
11	going to have to do as a community.
12	Enhance professional academic
13	advising and academic intervention:
14	You know, again, the Senate can be
15	very helpful because we have, I
16	think, several rule changes we've
17	asked for. Let's say you have a
18	mid-term exam and you've discovered
19	that your first-year students aren't
20	doing well. Then what interventions
21	can take place, and is there time
22	enough for an advising session to
23	take place and say maybe you ought
24	to drop one of these course, for
25	example, you've taken on too much.

1	And in order to do that, you need a
2	withdrawal time frame that allows
3	that to happen. I think that's one
4	of the proposals in front of you.
5	So it really will take a collective
6	effort of all of us to make some of
7	these changes, increasing
8	(unintelligible) sections and so
9	forth, and I won't go into all of
10	those, but the point is that we
11	certainly have some evidence for
12	each of these things, that this is
13	probably the most important things
14	or the urgent things that we can
15	actually take implement. The
16	budget request that I'm putting
17	forward for the FYOH budget for the
18	coming year, in fact, reflects some
19	of these priorities from the Top 20
20	Business Plan as well as the
21	imperative that I mentioned.
22	Certainly faculty salary catch-up is
23	going to be a continuing issue for
24	us. Additional faculty, we will
25	on top of the 54, we will add 20

1	additional lines, and they will be
2	allocated according to these Top 20
3	priorities. Increasing student
4	recruitment and admissions budget,
5	it's way underbudgeted. There are
6	lots of ways of measuring that. A
7	lot more money spent for students,
8	et cetera, and we've had growth as
9	well, and so we need to catch up on
10	that. Hiring additional
11	professional advisors, increase both
12	advising and interventions,
13	increasing graduate assistance, that
14	pertains to our graduate mandate and
15	graduate measures, so that's a
16	separate item. We'll work on that.
17	Supporting education abroad and
18	international recruiting, we need to
19	get started on that because
20	recruiting really top-quality
21	undergraduate students requires that
22	you have really outstanding programs
23	of all sorts, and that's got to be a
24	part of the effort. And operating
25	expenses, we have to catch up. As

1	we have grown, we haven't caught up
2	on operating expenses. Those are
3	the priorities. The importance of
4	integration and coordination: I
5	think an undergraduate education,
6	more so than in professional
7	education or in doctoral education,
8	it's a collective effort. The
9	metaphor of assembly line, you can
10	use; if you don't like it, use some
11	other metaphor. It's really each
12	station says: I'm doing a wonderful
13	job of teaching my civics class; I'm
14	doing a wonderful job of teaching my
15	English classes and so forth. But
16	the product that comes out at the
17	end isn't clearly either good enough
18	or many of the product items are
19	dropping off the assembly line. So
20	it really requires a collective
21	effort, coordinated effort, and it
22	really takes the whole campus. I
23	really think you can't simply say
24	this is somebody's problem, somebody
25	else's problem. It really takes the

1	whole campus. And why should
2	everyone care about undergraduate
3	education? And I want to point out
4	that this is a question that came up
5	in one of the strategic planning
6	open forums I held. You know, can't
7	we just simply (unintelligible) all
8	our graduate students and then have
9	a wonderful Top 20 institution. The
10	answer is no, but more recent
11	history demonstrates why that is
12	simply comical and why, going back,
13	the University of Michigan has
14	45,000 students and University of
15	California has 40,000 students and
16	so forth, undergraduate students,
17	mostly. Why is it that the Top 20
18	public institutions are large?
19	There's a secret to how there are no
20	undergraduates (inaudible),
21	especially parents of
22	undergraduates. What I show here is
23	at UK, the panel on the left shows
24	the growth in undergraduate head
25	count from 2002 to 2007 2006.

1	These are fiscal years, so fall 2006
2	numbers, and that growth is about
3	2,100. There's been rapid growth in
4	our undergraduate enrollment in this
5	period of time. What the panel on
6	the right shows is the top graph
7	shows the state appropriation during
8	that same period for the University
9	of Kentucky, and this bottom line
10	graph here shows you tuition
11	revenue. Okay? At a time when
12	there was in fact both a decline and
13	just a flat, stagnant state support
14	during those six years, we have
15	the University of Kentucky has grown
16	undergraduate enrollment and thereby
17	provided the revenue necessary for
18	running the university because it's
19	just a simple cost from year to year
20	of turning on light and perhaps
21	giving small percentage salary
22	increases that you received has come
23	out of that. That's not what I
24	meant to do, so go back to
25	previous. All right. Left hand,

1	not good left-handed.
2	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Previous.
3	SUBBASWAMY: Previous. There you go.
4	And so if you look at the numbers,
5	the tuition revenue during that
6	period has increased by 192 million
7	dollars or about 150 percent of what
8	it was in 2002. Since '02 our state
9	appropriation has been flat or in
10	decline. The increase in
11	undergraduate enrollment and revenue
12	has kept the entire university,
13	except for the clinical and hospital
14	enterprise, afloat during this
15	period of decline and stagnation.
16	In terms of the tuition revenue,
17	only about 10 percent is from the
18	professional schools. 90 percent is
19	from all the colleges that have
20	undergraduate programs. And so this
21	is in fact also the secret for why
22	Michigan is 45,000, Florida is
23	55,000 students, and so forth. It
24	is in fact an overall revenue
25	enhancement that helps. This also

1	shows the imperative that we do well
2	by our undergraduates. We
3	absolutely owe them for increasing
4	enrollment where we haven't added
5	faculty, we haven't added student
6	support, we haven't added anything
7	in the last four or five years. And
8	that's the reason that 40 of the 54
9	faculty that were added went to the
10	undergraduate colleges, because the
11	brunt of running the university, the
12	cost of living increases and so
13	forth, has been borne by our
14	undergraduate students, and we have
15	way far to go by way of reaching
16	student success rates, graduation
17	rates, retention rates, and of
18	course quality enhancement in
19	general that goes with that in order
20	to achieve that. So that's really
21	sort of my take-home message is that
22	we all have tremendous challenges in
23	front of us. There's capital
24	projects that I have not talked
25	about, maybe another occasion. But

1	as I said, there it's a matter of
2	bold strategy and lobbying and
3	private fundraising and so forth.
4	This is a much tougher nut to crack,
5	and it will take the whole campus.
6	And it's retentions, so the fact
7	that we're spending money on that,
8	everyone should support this.
9	Regardless of whether you are in a
10	professional school only or you're
11	on this side of the campus, you must
12	understand the basis for why this
13	investment needs to be made, what
14	has happened, and what's at stake.
15	The overall reputation of the
16	institution and your own corner of
17	the world will depend on the overall
18	reputation of our undergraduate
19	program as it applies to U.S. News $\&$
20	World ranking, et cetera, as well.
21	So with that
22	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: We appreciate it. Are
23	there any questions? Over here,
24	yes.
25	THELIN: John Thelin, Educational Policy

1	Studies. In your original
2	equations, comparing the old with
3	the new, the tendency is to put the
4	burden on state funding. But in
5	fact, compared to our benchmark
6	institutions, we do very well.
7	Kentucky is not a wealthy state, and
8	yet if you look at per capita
9	subsidies from the state, if our
10	faculty salaries ranked as high on
11	that list as they do on the per
12	capita subsidies to students, you'd
13	be very, very happy. We usually
14	rank about fourth or fifth among
15	20. Also, if you look at the state
16	funding as a percentage of the
17	overall university budget, UK is
18	treated quite, quite well compared
19	to our benchmark institutions. So I
20	think there's although that's
21	interesting on a new approach to put
22	this wishful thinking and put the
23	burden on the state, that's a
24	request; that's not a calculation.
25	That's really wishful thinking in

1	part. So my point
2	SUBBASWAMY: Do you want a response?
3	No.
4	THELIN: Fine. But there's no mention,
5	for example, of private fundraising,
6	which I would argue is where most of
7	the flagship state universities have
8	really had a margin of excellence
9	that sets them apart. And they know
10	that there will be less dependency
11	on state funding, and they look to
12	other sources. And it's largely
13	part of fundraising, yet no mention
14	of that in our plans.
15	SUBBASWAMY: No, that's not true.
16	THELIN: Well, I mean in your
17	presentation.
18	SUBBASWAMY: Not in my presentation. I
19	was not presenting the whole
20	business plan. I was talking about
21	just the piece that pertains to what
22	we asked from the state and what we
23	get. If you look at the business
24	plan, it in fact says 40 percent of
25	what is needed to attain Top 20

Τ	status Will come from self-generated
2	funds, and it also has a significant
3	component that is to come from
4	private fundraising. And in fact,
5	UK is having tremendous success in
6	private fundraising. One thing
7	about it is that those institutions
8	which started down this path,
9	started fundraising in the '60s and
10	'70s are way ahead, where their
11	endowments are now producing the
12	revenue, the income that's actually
13	subsidizing what goes on, whereas a
14	lot of the benefits for the increase
15	in fundraising that has now occurred
16	at UK will be garnered by our
17	successors and their successors and
18	so forth.
19	THELIN: The University of Virginia
20	started its first capital campaign
21	in 1992, and they're probably the
22	most productive. So it's there
23	are newcomers who are doing very,
24	very well. It's not only a function
25	of longevity.

1	SUBBASWAMY: It's not, but the fact
2	that, you know, it really did start
3	with Thomas Jefferson does benefit
4	in terms of the longevity. There is
5	a longevity factor in terms of the
6	kinds of alumni base and what
7	positions they occupy in life and in
8	politics and so forth. It does make
9	a difference. The University of
10	Kansas started in 1945 or '50, I
11	believe, in terms of fundraising,
12	one of the first public universities
13	to start that. And their situation
14	is not terribly different from that
15	of those who started much later
16	because their base is a farm base in
17	the middle of Kansas. It makes a
18	difference. Northeast schools, both
19	longevity and the connections that
20	they have longevity is a lot of
21	it, really. It makes a big
22	difference.
23	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Back there.
24	JONES: Davy Jones. You showed some
25	numbers, 54 additional faculty

1	lines, and this is to try to keep
2	pace with the growth. I'm presuming
3	that those were tenured track lines.
4	SUBBASWAMY: Absolutely, they're all
5	tenured track lines.
6	JONES: And to what extent are those
7	numbers affected by we're also
8	affected by simultaneous loss of
9	faculty due to retirement,
10	resignations. Has there been a net
11	increase?
12	SUBBASWAMY: There's a net increase, and
13	that was in fact what was promised
14	to the legislature; and that's in
15	fact what it is, a net increase. So
16	if you look at a college like Arts
17	and Sciences, they have their
18	replacement faculty plus whatever
19	was allocated out of this cost of
20	communication and elsewhere, yes.
21	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Over there.
22	BOLLINGER: Chris Bollinger, Economics.
23	One of the things that struck me,
24	you did an excellent job of
25	convincing me that our retention

1	problem is not a case of, well,
2	we're just letting in worse students
3	who can't handle it, in particular
4	the fact that 48 percent of the
5	students who don't return after
6	their first year left in good
7	standing academically. But then it
8	looked like that the actions that
9	are being taken, increased tutoring,
10	UK 101, et cetera, seemed to be
11	geared at the other half, those that
12	are not doing well in academic
13	standing. And so I'd like to just
14	sort of say I think you should look
15	at those 48 percent who left in good
16	standing, and the obvious question
17	to ask is: Where did they go? Why
18	are they not here the next year?
19	SUBBASWAMY: There is a there was, in
20	fact, a focus group formed and an
21	attempt made to poll them and so
22	forth. I don't have all the details
23	with me, but this is a work in
24	progress. It is easier in many
25	cases there, it's either lack of

1	community, you know, I needed to go
2	back home because I felt out of
3	place, those kinds of things,
4	financial aid issues and so forth.
5	So I think that those are in some
6	sense more easily handled than the
7	problem you have with our school
8	systems, and in fact a 3.0 3.5
9	GPA from Kentucky high schools
10	doesn't necessarily lead to enough
11	preparation to succeed. And so we
12	have a big problem in terms of
13	making sure that the students who
14	are who think they are well-
15	prepared but may not still be well
16	enough prepared need some help. So
17	that's where, in fact, that
18	expensive piece is going to be. But
19	I think we need to somehow do
20	everything to turn around the
21	retention graduation rate. And it's
22	going to be a bootstrapping process:
23	You improve a little; therefore, you
24	get a better pipeline. And in order
25	to do that, teacher preparation

1	issues are there. Who are these
2	teachers? They're, for the most
3	part, people who we taught. So are
4	we doing a good enough job? And I
5	think there are significant
6	questions that have to be answered.
7	DEBSKI: Liz Debski. Actually, that was
8	pretty much my question except that
9	I was just wondering if it was
10	possible that those students were
11	transferring to other institutions.
12	SUBBASWAMY: Okay.
13	DEBSKI: And when we look at our
14	six-year graduation rate, does that
15	mean they have to graduate here or
16	does
17	SUBBASWAMY: From here and that's how
18	all the national measures are. In
19	other words, Michigan can claim
20	is a public university, Wisconsin, a
21	public university, and so forth.
22	They will, in fact it's the same
23	exact measure that we're comparing
24	on. So if they went from here to
25	Harvard and graduated, that doesn't

1	count, still, for us.
2	DEBSKI: For us. Okay.
3	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Yes.
4	YANARELLA: Ernie Yanarella. Swamy, I
5	want to go back to that same chart
6	that John pointed out. You show the
7	issue of trade-off between the state
8	budget provisions and college
9	tuition and tuition increases. You
10	are as aware as I am, even though
11	I'm a political scientist, about the
12	developing political environment
13	that we are beginning to see emerge
14	over around the issue of college
15	affordability. Crit Luallen put out
16	a report that I think one of John's
17	colleagues former colleagues
18	challenged in terms of methodology,
19	but it plays
20	SUBBASWAMY: I challenge that, too.
21	YANARELLA: a significant role in, I
22	think, countermobilizing some of the
23	anti-intellectual strains in our
24	Kentucky culture. Granted, there
25	are many ways to address the issue

1	of college affordability. We've
2	seen some of the scholarship
3	programs that the President
4	announced some months back as, I
5	think in some respects, a response
6	to this. How does the university
7	prepare for the possibility that
8	this becomes a very powerful
9	political symbol? You know, it's
10	entering into the governor's race,
11	and it seems to me that it's going
12	to be a very easy one to be treated
13	in a very simplistic fashion. What
14	kind of how can this university
15	address this in the context of
16	moving forward in terms of this Top
17	20 status, Top 20 Business Plan?
18	SUBBASWAMY: To I don't have an easy
19	answer or else, you know, as I said
20	I could become a consultant. And
21	the easy answers are wrong, of
22	course. But in terms of every
23	university the Top 20
24	universities have some of the same
25	arguments just to state

1	(unintelligible). In other words,
2	every state is going to, or the
3	bulk. In fact, there have been
4	federal bills to try to limit
5	tuition growth and so forth, as you
6	know. The argument to be made, and
7	you're sitting very close to an
8	economist there, is in terms of the
9	benefit, that it's an investment in
10	which you gain, you know,
11	lifetime they keep reducing the
12	lifetime gain number. I don't
13	understand why economists keep doing
14	this. It used to be a million
15	dollars or so, and now it's down to
16	\$750,000 lifetime earning increase
17	or something like that. I guess
18	this is going to be sort of an
19	ongoing battle in terms of what
20	affordability there are much
21	larger issues, as you know. And I
22	will just mention one and then other
23	questions, perhaps. I mentioned to
24	you that the game that all public
25	universities along with private

1	universities have gotten into is not
2	need-based aid but merit-based aid,
3	which means that the son of a
4	wealthy who shall we pick on
5	cardiologist would get a free ride,
6	offers of a free ride from ten
7	different universities because the
8	person has a certain SAT and ACT,
9	regardless of the need, right? And
10	that's money that could well have
11	gone to address the needs of someone
12	else who actually truly has an
13	income issue. So we've gotten into
14	a really weird situation in higher
15	education; and that's where, I
16	think, the point of, you know, chain
17	will have to come where there is a
18	collective or perhaps a forced
19	methodology of having to go for
20	need-based support rather than
21	entirely merit-based support. It
22	should be merit and need, in other
23	words. I think they will begin to
24	then see you know, when you have
25	30 percent, 40 percent discounting

1	literally in public universities,
2	then you're talking really about a
3	sticker price versus an actual
4	price, and it just goes crazy. You
5	discourage people because they don't
6	even know that they might be able to
7	get a lot of aid. So it has to be a
8	combined solution based on some
9	discipline on the part of
10	universities and then a way of
11	tackling need-based aid on the part
12	of the state and at the federal
13	level as well.
14	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: One last quick
15	question and answer, and please keep
16	your questions. Swamy has promised
17	that he would stay and mingle with
18	us, and we need some more questions
19	next door. Last question.
20	SOTTILE: Joe Sottile, Engineering. One
21	thing I've noticed is we do have
22	some students who leave under good
23	academic standing because they're
24	having trouble with maybe a
25	particular subject which is a

1	prerequisite, and I think it's good
2	that you are looking at tutoring and
3	so on. For example, calculus is one
4	that people can't get past, even
5	though they drop out.
6	SUBBASWAMY: You're not going to pick on
7	chemistry?
8	SOTTILE: Well, I could, and also
9	physics.
10	SUBBASWAMY: No, people have already
11	left the university before they
12	(unintelligible).
13	SOTTILE: Second, just interestingly, I
14	looked at the two graphs, and I
15	noticed we have a little bit of
16	decline in retention or I guess
17	six-year graduation, maybe
18	coincident with our increase in
19	number of undergraduates. Maybe
20	there's a little bit of a time lag
21	there, but I'm wondering whether
22	there may be a bit of an inverse
23	correlation between those two. It
24	may be something to
25	SUBBASWAMY: Oh, absolutely. You know,

Τ	certainly to grow enrollment while
2	we don't have a handle on and
3	haven't put the resources to treat
4	our students better would be
5	criminal. And so I think that's why
6	those resources have to go where
7	they did this year and for next
8	year, again, trying to make sure
9	that we take corrective action.
10	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: Thank you very much,
11	Provost Swamy.
12	(APPLAUSE.)
13	CHAIRMAN TAGAVI: I have to make mention
14	of two items. Please bear with me.
15	First I'd like to mention that our
16	regular transcriber is back here.
17	We appreciate her help. Thank you
18	very much. Her service is very
19	important. On behalf of Davy Jones
20	and the rest of faculty, and in that
21	order, I thank her for her
22	services. And also Sheila of
23	course, without her help, none of
24	this would have been possible. Now,
25	I would like to ask you to join us

1	in the gallery for interesting food
2	and delicious conversation.
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