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Dear Members of the Joint Deans and Academic Senate Council For Faculty Prioritization

Thanks to everyone involved in faculty prioritization for your considerable work and in affirming our process . After reviewing your recommendations, I have decided to approve the recruitment of the mandated position of Nursing faculty and the categorically funded EOPS /CARE counselor. In addition, I approve the hire of full time counseling and Ethnic Studies faculty positions prioritized first and second respectively. The Veterinary Tech program viability needs to be further solidified before a commitment to a full time faculty position can be made.

The uncertainty of the state and federal budget as well as the possible impact of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic requires we proceed with caution, therefore I have chosen to wait until Governor Newsom's January budget to consider the remaining positions. It is not prudent to commit to hiring full time faculty until there is a clearer picture of the economic landscape ahead. I believe in doing what is right by our students and faculty, while being fiscally responsible. Recent information on tax revenue for the state offers a glimmer of hope in the midst of an economic downturn. I promise to update you in January on the status of the general funded faculty positions.

Once again, thank you to Dr. Erik Reese and Vice President Mary Rees for their leadership and to all of you for your diligence and commitment to our students.

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Dear Members of the Joint Council for Faculty Prioritization,

Thank you all for all the work that goes into faculty prioritization and making it an informative and respectful process. President Sokenu has acknowledged receipt of the results from prioritization for his consideration. The prioritization list is attached that includes the 24 general fund faculty requests and the 3 requests provided for information. Please do forward to others that may be interested.

Thank you from both Mary Rees and myself for a smooth prioritization process with a hyflex modality. It is always humbling to hear about all of the amazing work across campus on behalf of our students and this was certainly no exception.

Thank you,

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