

**UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST
OFFICE OF THE FACULTY SENATE**

GENERAL FACULTY MEETING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2009

4:00 P.M.

CAMPUS CENTER AUDITORIUM

**ROBERT HOLUB, CHANCELLOR
ROBERT WILSON, PRESIDING OFFICER
ERNEST MAY, SECRETARY, FACULTY SENATE**

AGENDA

**Introductory Remarks
(Robert Wilson, Presiding Officer)**

1. Update on the Current Budget Situation (Chancellor Holub)

Questions received from Faculty:

- a. **What action is this campus taking to work with state and national leadership to create more stable funding in the future?**

Further Questions and Discussion

2. The Process of Campus Reorganization (Chancellor Holub)

Questions received from Faculty:

- a. **What is the relationship between the current budget crisis and reorganization of schools and colleges? If the budget crisis is mitigated by an infusion of Federal funds, will this affect the need for reorganization?**
- b. **What non-economic factors are motivating reorganization?**
- c. **What is the approximate timeline for a) developing an overall configuration of schools and colleges and b) working out important details (e.g., personnel committees)? How are faculty and other stakeholders involved at each of these stages?**
- d. **At this time, what are the leading candidates for an overall configuration of schools and colleges? How will the final choice be made?**

Further Questions and Discussion

3. Concluding Statement by Chancellor Holub

4. **Motion: To recess this meeting of the General Faculty until Monday, February 9, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.**