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FROM: Faculty Senate Office, University of Massachusetts Amherst
SUBJECT: Upcoming Faculty Senate Meeting, October 9, 2014, 3:30 p.m., Herter Hall 227
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- Panel Discussion: Future of Campus Information Technology Infrastructure
  Panelists: Julie Buehler, Vice Chancellor for Information Services & Strategy and Chief Information Officer; James Kurose, Computer Science; Steven B. Brewer, Biology; and Jon Olsen, History

- Update and Plans from the Joint Task Force on Strategic Oversight (JTFSO)
  Nancy Cohen, Bryan Harvey and Amilcar Shabazz, Co-Chairs

- Update and Plans from the Joint Task Force on Resource Allocation (JTFRA)
  Elizabeth Chilton and Timothy Anderson, Co-Chairs

- Special Report of the Rules Committee concerning Bylaw Changes (MJ Peterson, Chair)

- Special Report of the Graduate Council concerning Revision of the Academic Requirements for Higher Education Leadership and Management (HELM) Graduate Certificate (Linda Griffin, Chair)

- Special Report of the Academic Matters, Academic Priorities, Graduate and Program and Budget Councils concerning the Dissolution of the Department of Public Health and the Creation of Three Departments: Biostatistics and Epidemiology, Health Promotion and Policy and Environmental Health Sciences (Linda Shea, Chair; Richard Bogartz, Chair, Linda Griffin, Chair and Anurag Sharma, Chair, respectively)

- Special Report of the Rules Committee concerning the Approval Process for New Courses (MJ Peterson, Chair)

- Annual Report of the Commonwealth Honors College, Academic Year 2013-2014 (Julian Tyson, Chair)

- Annual Report of the Ombuds Office for the Period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2014 (Catharine Porter, Ombudsperson)

- Annual Report of the Research Council, Academic Year 2013-2014 (Caren Rotello, Chair)

- Amendment to the Special Report of the Nominating Committee concerning Nominations to Faculty Senate Councils and Committees (Arthur Kinney, Chair)

- Amendment to the Special Report of the Committee on Committees concerning Nominations to the Academic Honesty Board (Arthur Kinney, Chair)

[Remarks by the Secretary of the Faculty Senate and other administrative officers and leaders of other campus governance units (Questions)].