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FROM: Faculty Senate Office, University of Massachusetts Amherst
SUBJECT: Upcoming Faculty Senate Meeting, May 3, 2012, 3:30 p.m., Herter Hall 227
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• Presentation by Nancy Cohen and Amilcar Shabazz, Co Chairs, Ad Hoc Committee on Strategic Oversight – “Interim Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Strategic Oversight”

• Election of Presiding Officer of the Faculty Senate for Academic Year 2012-2013
  Nominee: W. Brian O’Connor, Biology

• Special Report of the Academic Matters, Academic Priorities, Graduate and Program and Budget Councils concerning the Creation of a New Academic Department to be designated as “The Stockbridge School of Agriculture” within the College of Natural Sciences
  (John Jenkins, Richard Bogartz, Linda Griffin and John McCarthy and Anurag Sharma, Chairs/Co-Chairs, respectively)

• Special Report of the Academic Matters, Academic Priorities, Graduate and Program and Budget Councils concerning the Creation of three Bachelor of Science Degree Programs in the Stockbridge School of Agriculture:
  Sustainable Food & Farming, Turfgrass Science & Management, and Sustainable Horticulture
  (John Jenkins, Richard Bogartz, Linda Griffin and John McCarthy and Anurag Sharma, Chairs/Co-Chairs, respectively)

• Special Report of the Academic Matters Council concerning Minor Changes to the Sustainable Food and Farming Certificate
  (John Jenkins, Chair)

• Special Report of the Academic Matters, Academic Priorities and Program and Budget Councils concerning an Undergraduate Certificate in Transit Management and Operations
  (John Jenkins, Richard Bogartz and John McCarthy and Anurag Sharma, Chairs/Co-Chairs, respectively)

• Special Report of the Academic Priorities, Graduate and Program and Budget Councils concerning a Master in Business Administration (MBA) with a Focus in Finance
  (Richard Bogartz, Linda Griffin and John McCarthy and Anurag Sharma, Chairs/Co-Chairs, respectively)

• Special Report of the General Education Council concerning Recommended General Education Designations
  (Maurianne Adams, Chair)

• Special Report of the Committee on Committees concerning Nominations to Faculty Senate Councils and Committees
  (Arthur Kinney, Chair)

• Amended motion from Senator William Curtis Conner to read: “That when a faculty member is granted a leave without pay, a portion of the salary should be used to provide adequate replacement instruction, advising, and support for the good of the department.”

• Approval of a new courses by the Academic Matters and Graduate Councils
  (John Jenkins and Linda Griffin, Chairs, respectively)

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