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Report of the Joint Task Force on Strategic Oversight – “Innovation and Impact: Renewing the Promise of the Public Research University”
(Nancy Cohen, Bryan Harvey and Amilcar Shabazz, Co-Chairs)

MOVED: That the Faculty Senate receive the report by the Joint Task Force on Strategic Oversight, Innovation and Impact: Renewing the Promise of the Public Research University, with thanks and appreciation for the contributions of the many participants. The Faculty Senate specifically supports the report’s broad goals of establishing UMASS/Amherst as a “destination of choice for the next generation of the Commonwealth’s high school graduates” and as an “investment of choice in the Commonwealth’s and nation’s future.” The Faculty Senate recognizes and applauds the fact that this was the first strategic planning process in the institution’s history that was genuinely collaborative among faculty, students and administration, and it looks forward to continued collaboration as the campus moves into Phase II of the planning process during academic year 2013/2014.

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