UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST
OFFICE OF THE FACULTY SENATE

GENERAL FACULTY MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2009
4:00 P.M.
STUDENT UNION BALLROOM

ROBERT HOLUB, CHANCELLOR
ROBERT WILSON, PRESIDING OFFICER
ERNEST MAY, SECRETARY

PRELIMINARY AGENDA
(a revised agenda will be distributed after the Chancellor’s Proposal has been received)

Introductory Remarks
(Robert Wilson, Presiding Officer)

I. Presentation of the Proposal to Reorganize the Schools and Colleges (Chancellor Holub)

QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION

II. Since the chancellor's proposal has not yet been received, the Rules Committee will promulgate motions that may relate to any or all of the following topics:
   a) The need for reorganization.
   b) The process by which reorganization is being implemented.
   c) The Chancellor’s specific reorganization proposal.
   d) The charge to the Chancellor’s Reorganization Committee.
   e) The schedule and deadlines for the Chancellor’s Reorganization Committee.
   f) The composition of the Chancellor’s Reorganization Committee.
   g) The need for the Chancellor’s Reorganization Committee to have access to all relevant information and data, including budget and planning data, without restriction.
   h) The need for the Chancellor’s Reorganization Committee to allow for general input from faculty and also to allow for significant transparency in its deliberations.
   i) The need for analysis of the long-range budgetary implications of the Reorganization Committee’s recommendations, for each proposed MBU, to be presented.
   j) The need for the Chancellor’s Reorganization Committee to address the “two cultures” problem.
   k) The need for the Chancellor’s Reorganization Committee to align reorganization with long-range strategic planning.
   l) The need for free agency of the Reorganization Committee, with the ability to design and recommend alternate reorganization plans.
   m) The need for the work of the Chancellor’s Reorganization Committee—including the budgetary implications—to be reviewed by a future session of this General Faculty Meeting prior to its adoption by the Chancellor, the President or the Board of Trustees.

III. Motion: To recess this session of the General Faculty Meeting until Friday, February 13, 2009, at 3:00 p.m. in the Campus Center Auditorium, or to such other time and place as may be determined by the Rules Committee.