

Date: August 10, 2010

Subject: PCRRC Action on a Reorganization Proposal concerning **Economics Academic Programs**

Dear President Kennedy and Provost Hunter,

During the summer months the members of the UMaine Faculty Senate Program Creation and Reorganization Review Committee (PCRRC) received a proposal for Informal Review of a Unit Reorganization under Chapter 4 of the Policy and Procedures Manual. In short, the proposal is to move the existing School of Economics faculty and programs currently in the College of Business, Public Policy and Health to join the existing School of Economics faculty and programs in the College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture.

The process to be followed by the Faculty Senate in reviewing proposed reorganizations is set forth in Chapter 4 of the Policy and Procedures Manual (PDF) which may be downloaded at <http://www.umaine.edu/facultysenate/PCRRC/>

You may find the full proposal posted on the web site at <http://www.umaine.edu/facultysenate/PCRRC/> under IV Unit Reorganization Proposals or directly at <http://www.umaine.edu/facultysenate/PCRRC/SOEReorgRequest.pdf>

The PCRRC has completed the informal review phase. After review and comment from interested parties and members of the committee, both the proponents of the reorganization and the PCRRC believe that the proposed unit reorganization will have *no significant negative academic impacts*.

In accordance with this finding, the PCRRC concluded there was no need to move to a formal review phase. Members of the full Faculty Senate concurred in this opinion by not raising objections in a timely manner after notification. As such the review process has ceased and the PCRRC recommends that this reorganization should move forward.

Sincerely,



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