

## MEMORANDUM

Date: August 21, 2006

To: Michael Rice, Chairman, Faculty Senate

From: Robert L. Carothers, President

Re: Composition JSPC

I am writing to request that we add a representative from the Council of Deans to the Joint Strategic Planning Committee. Having the opportunity to incorporate perspectives from the Deans and have information shared between the JSPC and the Council is important to our efforts in shared governance. This will help to enhance communication and collaboration between the Council and the JSPC. Since it is our desire to create the strongest collaborations between administration, academics, staff, and students as we pursue shared governance, I have come to believe that this addition is important to our future work.

I would greatly appreciate your support in this matter.

I would propose the following language change (**bold underlined** text) under the composition:

*5.70.10 The Joint Strategic Planning Committee shall advise the President and the Faculty Senate on broad policies and principles affecting the general direction of the University of Rhode Island in conjunction with its vision, mission, and values as a learning community. The Committee shall assist in the implementation and progress of the President's strategic plan; including, but not limited to, modifications, additions, and deletions to the strategic planning document as time or circumstance warrant. The Committee shall monitor the development of a university strategic planning process, which shall integrate aspects of financial, human resources, academic programming, student affairs, fund raising, and capital projects. The planning process at the University and the priorities established through it shall guide decisions on institutional funding. The Committee shall be provided, upon request, with necessary data and information by university departments and officials. The Committee shall be assisted by the Office of Planning Services (see section 3.45.10).*

*5.70.11 The Joint Strategic Planning Committee shall be comprised of the President, who shall serve as Chair, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Vice Presidents for Administration, Student Affairs, and University Advancement, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, **a Dean representing the Council of Deans**, two administrative staff members appointed by the President, the President of the Student Senate, and the President of the Graduate Student Association. It shall be staffed by the Executive Assistants to the President and Directors of Planning Services.*

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