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Steve,

As you know, the Board of Regents passed the following motion at their September 12 meeting establishing review committees in key areas. As working with the Chancellors, President Johnsen and I have identified you as the chair of one of these groups, Teacher Education:

To reduce costs and increase the share of resources dedicated to academic programs and student services, the Board of Regents directs the president, working with the chancellors to form inter-university teams to conduct expedited program reviews of units and programs system wide, including but not limited to the following, to determine how best to integrate, reduce or discontinue units and programs:

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The board further directs the president to work with academic review teams to prioritize and deten 1 0 0 1 177.5 249zt pp21 0 0 1 177.5 249zt pp27ze and

be convened by its chair, meet as needed, and provide a report to the President by 10/10/2019. The reports will be posted for governance and public input, and you will give a brief update to the Board of Regents subcommittee tentatively scheduled for 10/11/19. The President and Chancellors will review the reports, along with the governance and public input, and prepare options for consideration by the Board of Regents at its November 7 meeting.

This expedited program review will focus on broad structural issues associated with your unit. Let your report address the following:

1. What degree programs would a single unit (college or school) serving the state include? *[Let me know what programs or areas your committee will look at so that I can ensure that we cover all of the major areas.]*

2. Compared to our current structure of units or schools, what would be the administrative savings of moving from several units or schools to one?

3. Assuming a peer average for the student:faculty ratio, what would be the instructional cost reduction compared to our current state?

4. What issues need to be resolved if the unit is assigned to one of our three separately accredited universities?

5. What issues need to be resolved if the unit is part of a single accredited statewide university?

In preparing your report,

Paul Layer

Below is a tentative timeline for this process.

Academic Review Process Timeline [As of 9/17/19]

9/9	Discuss Academic Review process and committee structure with the Chancellors
9/10	VP Layer contacts Student, Faculty and Staff Governance groups for representatives to serve on Academic Review committees
9/12-9/13	Board of Regents approve motion on Academic Review
9/17	Academic review committee charge sent to Academic Review Chairs
9/20	Academic review committee members named
9/23	Review committee begin work/meeting
10/10	Academic Review Chairs Turn in Reports
10/11	Academic Review Chairs present to BOR subcommittee on structure, President and Chancellors
10/10-11/7	Public Input on Reports (including public testimony to Board of Regents)
10/14	Executive Council meeting
10/14-10/17:	Virtual Town Hall meetings. The town halls will be by specific area and will be filled in as they are scheduled. There also will be two town halls that will focus on UA structure and will be for general participation.

<u>Oct. 14:</u>

8:00-9:00 AM	Virtual Town Hall #1
1:00-2:00 PM	Virtual Town Hall #2
2:30-3:30 PM	Virtual Town Hall #3
4:00-5:00 PM	Virtual Town Hall #4

<u>Oct. 15</u>

8:00-9:00 AM	Virtual Town Hall #5
9:30-10:30 AM	Virtual Town Hall #6
11:00AM-12:00 Noon	Virtual Town Hall #7
1:00-2:00 PM	1st Virtual Public Town Hall on UA Structure

2:30-3:30 PM		Virtual Town Hall #8
4:00-5:00 PM		Virtual Town Hall #9

<u>Oct. 16</u>

9:00 – 10:00 AM	Virtual Town Hall #10
10:30-11:30 AM	Virtual Town Hall #11
1:00 – 2:00 PM	Virtual Town Hall #12
2:30-3:30 PM	Virtual Town Hall #13
4:00 – 5:00 PM	2nd Virtual Public Town Hall on UA Structure

10/17	Executive Council meeting (#32) to discussion town hall feedback
10/21	No Executive Council meeting
10/21-10/25	Drafting of recommendations
10/25	Executive Council work session Anchorage
10/28	Executive Council meeting to review recommendations
10/28	BOR subcommittee on structure meeting
10/31	Post materials on the Board of Regents website
11/7	Board of Regents Meeting