

March 26, 2008

Dear friends:

I wanted to report to you that the meeting two weeks ago to re-establish our Diversity Advisory Council was a great success. Please note the six key quality indicators that were confirmed as the basis for our diversity plan and as the starting point for the assessment system which will accompany the plan. I must say it is particularly encouraging to me that the work of the previous members of this team (over the past decade) has put us in the position to, in fact, show increases in the diversity of our student body and faculty. Equally important, the data we draw from the system will help us to make increasingly better informed decisions as we move forward.

Again, thank you to each one of you for your commitment to this important work. Please note the minutes from the break-out session and if you would, please hold the morning of **Friday, September 26** for the next meeting of this team.

Respectfully,

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