

September 16, 2013

To: Members, University Senate Executive Committee

From: Richard L. Edwards



Re: Decanal Reviews

I am writing to report to you on the status of the decanal evaluations undertaken recently, and those we are currently planning to get underway as soon as possible. As you know, last year's New Brunswick reviews of Deans Greenberg and Schement were aborted mid-process, due to the Deans stepping down from their decanal positions. At this time, I am in the process of initiating reviews for Dean Thomas Farris, who has just completed his fourth year of service, and Dean James Hughes, who will be undergoing his second review under the Senate process. In Camden, a review of Business School Dean Jai Ganesh will be initiated, as he is in his fourth year of service. There are no Deans in Newark up for review this year, and we have decided not to initiate the process for RBHS Deans during this academic year.

As you know, the process for the evaluation of deans calls for the Senate Executive Committee to provide the dean's supervisor with a list of eight faculty members from *outside* the decanal unit to serve on the Dean's Evaluation Committee (DEC). From this list, we will select two representatives to serve on each of the DEC's. In this regard, please accept this memo as formal notice that we are initiating these reviews and require the Senate's slates of candidates. In selecting the faculty recommended to serve, we ask that you select tenured faculty who have knowledge or appreciation for the disciplines and cultures represented in the units being reviewed. Please also be certain that those nominated will be available for both semesters of academic year 2013-14 (i.e., not on leave) and would be willing to serve if asked. We would appreciate receiving your nominations for the review committees as soon as possible, as we are planning to establish and convene the committees very soon so that they may get their reviews underway this semester.

Please submit the nominated slates of Senate representatives for the evaluations of Deans Farris and Hughes to me and the slate for Dean Ganesh to Camden Chancellor Wendell Pritchett at your earliest convenience. Thank you very much for your help with this important process.

c: Ken Swalagin  
Roberta Leslie  
Wendell Pritchett