Committee Report

To: Joy Beatty, Chair, SACUA, 2019-2020

From: Megan Schimpf MD, Chair, Secretary of the University Advisory Committee (SAC)

Subject: Report on Activities of Secretary of the University Advisory Committee (SAC) for 2019-2020

Members: Sally Churchill
Megan Schimpf
Rashmi Rama
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Karen Fournier
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SACUA Liaison: Neil Marsh

Meeting Dates: 11/25/19, 2/10/20, 4/8/20 (next one planned for 5/15/20)

Summary:

The topics of focus for the year included:

We advised Sally Churchill, VP and Secretary of the University on wide range of University topics including:

1. Searches for multiple high-ranking University officials including VP for Student Life, Provost, VP Research
2. Upcoming Presidential debate for Fall 2020
3. Declining numbers of high-school-age students nationally, which is starting to impact enrollment at other colleges/universities
4. Faculty tenure and dismissal (rules 5.09 and 5.10) processes with town halls, public comment and ongoing work on these topics
5. Impact of COVID-19 on university operations
Topics to be continued or carried forward to next year are:

Continue to advise VP/Secretary Churchill on pertinent matters
   a. Upcoming Presidential debate for Fall 2020
   b. Faculty tenure and dismissal (rules 5.09 and 5.10) processes
   c. Impact of COVID-19 on university operations