

Date:	February 8, 2013
To:	Devin Ellis
	Chair, Elections, Representation, & Governance (ERG) Committee
From:	Martha Nell Smith
	Chair, University Senate
Subject:	Assessment of Shared Governance
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The Senate Executive Committee (SEC) requests that the Elections, Representation, and Governance (ERG) Committee conduct a thorough review of shared governance practices across our campus in order to provide insight for the upcoming Plan of Organization Review process.

Specifically, we ask that you:

- 1. Review shared governance bodies at the College and Unit levels across disciplines.
- 2. Review the implementation of shared governance at other University System of Maryland (USM) institutions.
- 3. Consider the various shared governance bodies at our institution and how they interact with one another.
- 4. Consult with the Senate Parliamentarian as necessary.
- 5. If appropriate, make recommendations to the Plan of Organization Review Committee on how shared governance can be improved on our campus.

We ask that you submit your report and recommendations to the Senate Office no later than December 15, 2013. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Reka Montfort in the Senate Office, extension 5-5804.