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Faculty,

I would like to call a faculty meeting for Friday, November 30 at 3:30 PM. We will consider the proposed amendments to the department by laws and merit evaluation document, and then we will discuss the Koch Foundation proposal to provide funding for faculty hiring and graduate student support. I will be sending you a memo soon describing and discussing the Koch proposal (I have the memo drafted but I sent it to a couple of Koch representatives to make sure that I am not misrepresenting anything they propose; as soon as I hear from them I will distribute the memo).

I wanted to have the meeting earlier in the week but Dean Rasmussen is out of town for most of the week and cannot meet with us until Friday afternoon. I would like him to be at the meeting because he has been negotiating with Koch representatives and the administration so he may have a clearer understanding of some of the details than I do. In addition, Koch representatives will be hear on Wednesday afternoon, Thursday, and Friday morning, discussing various aspects of the proposal with me, some of the people who are likely to be involved in the undergraduate part of the proposal (discussed in the forthcoming memo) and the Dean, so we should have additional information to pass on to you after they leave.

I am going to try to reserve the DeVoe Moore conference room for the meeting, but if it is already reserved I will make other arrangements and let you know about them.

Bruce

PS to June and Carol: I have copied this to you in case you would like to attend the meeting. If these arrangements proceed they could impact both of you, as the proposal is to spend something like \$7 million dollars to fund new faculty, new PhD students, and a special undergraduate program.

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