**Subject:** Update from J Grier and B Gillespie

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Dear colleagues,

We were asked to reach out to you with an update.

Our resignation from the Curriculum Committee at Senate last week was proffered as a protest. We saw the creation of the Curricular Action Team as a circumvention of the extant structures of shared governance.

We were dismayed by this, and by the fact that faculty leadership did not appear to see it the same way. We decided to make a loud statement in hopes that all might take a moment to reflect on the situation.

Our action did prompt some thinking across campus. The Senate Executive Committee's

ASCSU Academic Affairs Representative approached us, and convened a meeting with the

Provost. Together, we agreed that more care would be taken in assigning the work of Strategic

Plan implementation. Particularly in matters of curriculum, we agreed that Senate Exec should

- as appropriate - carefully evaluate and assign work to the relevant committees in consultation with those committees. What this means is that we have offered to return to the Curriculum Committee, with the understanding that we will continue the work we have always done. Where the Strategic Plan intersects with CI's curriculum, the faculty - via the Senate's Curriculum Committee – will lead.

It is our hope that our protest has made clear - not obscured - our commitment to CI.

Sincerely,

Blake Gillespie & Jeanne Grier