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To: Susan Jeffords, Provost
From: Richard Beyler, Secretary to the Faculty
Date: 7 November 2022
Re: Question to Administrators

A Faculty Senator has submitted the following question to the Provost as a Question to Administrators for the next Faculty Senate meeting on November 7th:

Question to Provost Susan Jeffords

Provost Jeffords, over the past several years in the process of working with APRCA and your efforts to “close the budget gap” we have heard from you in several venues that this work for APRCA and Program Review and Reduction Process are so that we will not have to engage in this work in the future.

Yet, on Monday, October 24th, PSU Currently published the [Presidential Profile](#), which is being utilized by the AGB search firm to recruit candidates for the Presidential Search, that highlights on page 15 that a future president will build on efforts “reducing and reorganizing programs.” With Stage 3 PRRP report deadlines facing 5 departments in January, how do you reconcile the conflict of the University declaring reductions prior to the reports being completed? Further, how does reducing programs during the year of a presidential search support that very search and a positive growth future of the university?

Per the Senate Bylaws, this will appear on the agenda for the November 7th meeting in section F. Please let the Presiding Officer or me know if you have any questions.