SAFETY & FACILITIES COMMITTEE

CLASS CHANGE SCHEDULE REVIEW

April 15, 2015

CHARGE
The Safety & Facilities Committee (SFC) was charged by the Office of the Provost to identify any significant operational concerns with implementation of a proposed class change schedule to help reduce campus traffic congestion during peak times.

SCOPE
Review potential class change schedule provided by the Office of the Registrar. Discuss and identify any significant impacts to university operations. Report findings to the Planning & Budget council.

PROCESS
The SFC received two potential class change schedules from the Office of the Registrar for review and was notified both options were under review and consideration by the Faculty Senate. The main difference between the two options relates to morning class start times. One option identifies a 7:00 a.m. start time and the other option a 7:30 a.m. start time. It is the Committee’s understanding the Faculty Senate issued a statement they prefer the 7:30 a.m. class start time. The Committee discussed various university department work-day hours and noted there may need to be adjustments to accommodate the extended work-day to coincide with an earlier class start time.

FINDINGS
The SFC finds no significant detrimental general impacts to university operations associated with implementation of a 7:00 or 7:30 class start time. However, it is noted this change would potentially impact the work-day of multiple staff and faculty departments to some degree. Additional study would be needed to ascertain the magnitude of those individual impacts.