

Memorandum Gary L. Miller
Chancellor

To: University Community

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Subject: Response to Recent Faculty Senate Action

I deeply respect the right of the members of the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay Faculty Senate to express their concerns regarding President Cross and the UW Board of Regents. I appreciated the thoughtful nature of the discussion and I certainly understand the collective challenges we are facing. However, I cannot support this action.

This is an important transitional time for American public higher education. The most precious values of this incredibly important enterprise are being questioned and funding is being reduced. This time, more than any in our recent history requires the full application of our interdisciplinary spirit – a commitment to evidenced-based action, constant and constructive dialog, appreciation of the full range of views and opinions and a fearless engagement of the problem at hand. This, I believe, is the only way to collaboratively shepherd our precious Academy through these difficult times.

I will continue to work with our faculty and staff, the system leadership, our legislators, our Trustees and community leaders to strengthen the quality of our university for the good of Wisconsin. I am confident we are on the right path at University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. Our faculty and staff are committed to our students and our mission in Green Bay is clear and important.

Thank you.