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Thanks Dylan. I appreciated the constructive suggestions that you offered today concerning the path forward.

Thanks Cherysa for capturing the essence of the comments from the Executive Council meeting.

Have a great day, both of you.

Best regards,

Bala

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Dear Bala:

I'm glad we had a chance to talk this morning. I'm sending you the full set of consultations regarding the proposal to transfer the Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration to the School of Business. In addition to the standing committee memos, you may recall that Executive Council also conducted a conversation around the proposal and offered a number of comments. Aside from reviewing and reiterating comments from both the CHASS and Business FEC's response memos, Council discussed whether, per the CHASS response, the transfer would result in a significant amount of the teaching burden for the major still being the responsibility of CHASS faculty. Other members of Council felt the current moment (during the COVID-19 crisis) is not a good time to begin a major new program and expressed concerns that relevant faculty may have no real experience with remote teaching for the courses in the program.

The Business FEC chair shared that the proposers feel that the document addresses CHASS' concerns and that the proposed transfer will be helpful to students by facilitating their access to paid or credited internships. The argument was made that the CHASS responsibility for teaching parts of the curriculum is a virtue of the proposal as the program will be tapping into the best talent to teach the program's courses.

Other members of Executive Council asserted that only one of 87 campuses that have undergraduate Business degree is a UC campus, indicating that it may be beneficial to put a cap on the number of students to keep the program manageable in its initial stages. Finally, as the University is facing an unparalleled crisis and financial uncertainty it was urged by a member to exercise caution and delay moving forward with such a transfer. Another member stated that

students cannot afford to study abroad and many would have to quit jobs in order to participate in a study abroad program. This prompted discussion that data needs to be gathered regarding students who work and that the program could offer other means (remote) for student exposure to global business.

I trust this feedback will be helpful to you as you consider the next steps in handling the proposal.

Peace  
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-George Jackson

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my books:

[Forced Passages: Imprisoned Radical Intellectuals and the U.S. Prison Regime](#) (Univ. of Minnesota Press, 2006)

[Suspended Apocalypse: White Supremacy, Genocide, and the Filipino Condition](#) (Univ. of Minnesota Press, 2009)

[Critical Ethnic Studies: A Reader](#) (co-editor) (Duke Univ. Press, 2016)