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faculty will have a discussion as a

The recommendation will be presented to the Board of Trustees during the October meeting. If approved, final contracts would be negotiated and then the community would be informed of the new vendor. Until that time, the information should be regarded as confidential.

4. Strategic Action Agenda 0910

President Glotzbach reported that the Strategic Action Agenda 2009-10 has been finalized and is now posted on-line. He expressed his appreciation once again for the input of IPPC members who contributed in significant ways to improvement of the document.

President Glotzbach noted that the Strategic Action Agenda asks much of the community, particularly through the challenges laid out in Section Six. He invited thoughts about next steps for further consideration of the document.

It was noted that Community Meetings have been scheduled for November 3 and 4. One purpose of these meetings is to report on the Board of Trustee meetings, but they also would provide an opportunity to further discuss the Strategic Action Agenda. Other venues for discussion include the faculty meeting and the Student Government Association Senate meetings. Some concern was expressed that if the faculty were to hold a major discussion regarding the Student Learning Goals at its November 6 meeting, it would be difficult to hold a second substantive conversation on the Strategic Action Agenda challenges. It was suggested that faculty members could be encouraged to attend the Community Meetings on November 3 and 4. Although faculty members always are invited to those meetings, relatively few faculty members attend, because similar information is generally conveyed at the faculty meeting; it also was noted that a larger representation of faculty members at the Community Meetings could change the tenor of those meetings. It was suggested, however, that President Glotzbach could manage that concern by ensuring that non-faculty members are called upon. It also was suggested that he might allow questions in advance of the Community Meetings.

President Glotzbach will take these suggestions under consideration.

6. Campus Town Hall Meetings

IPPC reviewed once again the proposed structure and process for the campus Town Hall

and Academic Affairs, better use of technology and other campus efforts to recruit prospective students, and better mentoring of students regarding post-graduate opportunities. Examples of what we might do less of included e-mail (e-mail-free Friday), fewer events with a greater focus