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Subject: A Message from President Seth Bodnar

Dear Colleagues,

This afternoon I received President Sheila Stearns' final recommendations on Academic Programs and Administrative Services Prioritization (APASP). Sheila has my sincere gratitude for this report, and for her lifetime of service in advancing the cause of higher education in the state of Montana. She has been a thoughtful and steady guiding force for our university at an important time. Personally, I am so grateful for our work together in these early weeks of my tenure. I hope you'll join me in thanking Sheila for her service over the past half-century to higher education in Montana and around the country.

I am struck by the time, energy, and thought that the APASP Task Force and the entire University of Montana campus has dedicated to the APASP process. This is a critical priority, and I appreciate the campus-wide focus. Now it is time to take the next steps, integrating APASP findings and our strategic planning efforts in the context of the serious budget considerations for FY 2019 and our longer-term aspirations. To move this process forward, I'll be working with our leadership team – cabinet, deans, and shared governance groups – and will provide a framework for decision-making as we begin spring semester.

Sincerely,
Seth Bodnar, President

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