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Dr. Mark Taggart
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Dear Dr. Taggart:

Thank you very much for Resolution 07-30 regarding the UNC Tomorrow report. I have given this resolution much thought over the past several weeks.

While I agree with the spirit of the resolution, I am going to move forward in a slightly different direction. The reason for this is that I believe I must maintain considerable flexibility in appointing task forces and advisory committees that address the concerns of the UNC Tomorrow commission. In addition, our campus response must be well-integrated with our accreditation work, our Strategic Enrollment Management Task Force, and our existing strategic plan. All of these efforts are related and I need to ensure their integration and compatibility.

That said, I am committed to having approximately 50% of the initial task force be faculty members and having approximately 50% of those from the list you have provided. I am still working on this committee, but it must have the relevant expertise and representation from other committees in order to be effective. As I hope you agree, we had a very productive meeting on faculty representatives for the task force and I hope to meet or come very close to the recommendations of Resolution 07-30.

We can certainly discuss this further in the coming days as you see fit.

Again, I appreciate the spirit of the resolution and am committed to doing the best that I can to address the resolution, given my understanding of the complexity of the work before us.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve Ballard', written over the typed name.

Steve Ballard