UUCC Report to Faculty Senate

The following summarizes motions that have passed at fall 2015 UUCC meetings thus far (date included parenthetically) and are being forwarded to the Faculty Senate:

1. We recommend focusing on a $4.5 million cut as opposed to a $6 million cut. (10/7/15 meeting)
2. We recommend suspending the First Year Experience (FYE) requirement. We recommend suspending the Writing Emphasis requirement, retroactively effective since Fall 2014. (10/7/15 meeting)
3. We recommend a moratorium on any curricular changes that would increase the number of credits required for a major or submajor. The moratorium would remain in place until lifted by the UUCC and Faculty Senate. (10/7/15 meeting)
4. We endorse the changes to remedial math proposed by Barb Barnet, which would create a one-semester developmental mathematics course that leads into the general education mathematics courses for majors who do not need the mathematics “path” that requires Math 15. The estimated savings of this change is $250,000. (10/7/15 meeting)
5. We endorse the elimination of the developmental English course and the creation of a new credit-bearing course that will be taken by all incoming students who would have placed into developmental English. The estimated savings of this change is $60,000. (10/7/15 meeting)
6. We recommend that the data about course capacity and enrollment, provided by the Gen Ed task force, be used to help dept. heads & coordinators to limit the number of general education courses and sections offered, which will lead to salary savings. (10/14/15 meeting)
7. UUCC recommends against additional changes (beyond those addressed above) to the general education requirements until we consider other recommendations next semester. (10/14/15 meeting)
8. We recommend that the Senate charge the Ad Hoc Gen Ed Task Force to come up with BA/BS distinctions to present to UUCC by the first meeting of spring term. (10/14/15 meeting)