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## Re: SBS / Chemistry proposed merger

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Good morning,

Thank you for the email response. I wanted to follow up on Interim Chancellor and Provost Bichelmeyer's email on SBS/Chemistry proposed merger. We were told that we could not receive any budget information nor answers to our questions concerning the Department until we voted to merge. Rather than waiting and pursuing this discussion through the three-year process, we voted to merge. The information below is a summary of the meeting and vote.

On 3/15/2018 at 11:30AM, the Department of Chemistry Faculty convened a duly called and constituted meeting, at which a quorum of members was present according to our bylaws. The meeting was for the purpose of considering three items proposed by a faculty member by a method described in our bylaws. The agenda was approved by majority vote and the minutes from the last meeting were also approved by a majority of the Faculty.

The first motion under consideration was seconded and reads as follows:

1. "The Chemistry Department Faculty vote to merge with the School of Biological Sciences."  
After discussion, the motion was passed by a substantial majority of the Faculty.

The second motion under consideration was seconded and reads as follows:

2. "Recommend that the new school be named "School of Biological and Chemical Sciences.""  
After discussion, the motion was passed by a substantial majority of the Faculty.

The third motion under consideration was seconded and reads as follows:

3. "Strongly recommend that all current operation policies, practices, and procedures of the Department of Chemistry be transferred to the new Division of Chemistry. This includes the current Chairperson will become Division Head within the Division of Chemistry, all chemistry courses offered, promotion and tenure criteria, workload document, annual evaluation of faculty, and committees."  
After discussion, the motion was passed by a substantial majority of the Faculty.

We are working on the requested document for the eight pillars and will share it with CAS Faculty Chair Novak.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

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