Good morning, Guttman.

Today we need to remember it is Tuesday, not Monday. Wasn’t it great to have the day yesterday?!
The theme of this morning’s meeting might be, “what’s up, a grizzly got your tongue?”

- Scott had nothing to report.
- Howard had nothing to report. He’ll be getting out a memo to faculty to go over some
calendar and grading issues.
- Mary had nothing to report.
- Nila had nothing to report.
- John had nothing to report.
- Lori had nothing to report.
- Charles had nothing to report, beyond OSE is doing what it always does, which is keeping in
touch with and supporting students. There will be a “State of the Grizz” tomorrow at 3:00.
- Thank goodness, Alia had something to report! She related some of the items of discussion
from the University Faculty Senate, generally their desire to know more about the guidelines
of the Vacancy Review Board, the membership and plans of the Chancellor-appointed
taskforces for re-opening, and information about the institutional CARES Act funds. She’s
going to be sharing some documents with us.
  - As I reported earlier, Anastasia is on one of the CUNY-wide taskforces on re-opening.
    She is looking specifically at building issues; for example, what sort of equipment
will we need to keep everyone safe, and also what can we do with the physical plant
to ensure that people keep to social distancing guidelines? Anastasia reports that no
report has been sent yet to the Chancellor, and she will find out the exact
information she can share with us. Here is what the CUNY website says about the
taskforce: “Chancellor Matos Rodríguez convened a Coronavirus Task Force led by
Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Operating Officer Hector Batista and including
the Dean of the CUNY School of Public Health, Dr. Ayman El-Mohandes, to serve as a
command center and work hand in hand with our 25 campuses to provide
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latest information from the federal, state and city health officials.”
  - As to the CARES Act fund for institutional spending, we don’t know anything yet.
CUNY Central is figuring out how to apportion it (we gather). As to the CARES Act
money that comes to our campus from the “student bucket,” for Guttman that
amounts to about $19,000, and all of it must be given to students who have
additional need. So, we’ll operate that as another student emergency fund. We are
awaiting more information from CUNY Central.
As to the Vacancy Review Board, I’ll find out what I can and report back tomorrow or later in the week.

- Please remember that HR is holding a special “HR Comes to You Virtually” Benefits edition today at 12:00! It will be held on Webex, so email HR this morning if you want to receive a link to join the meeting.
- If you received the email to nominate Council members to certain Council committees, please be sure to do so before the deadline on Thursday. Much gratitude heading your way, Angie, for your leadership with the Council.

Hope you have a good day,
Linda