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Professor Joseph Kruppa
Chair
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Dear Joe:

I am writing in regard to the implementation of the Division of Rhetoric and Composition.

First, I wish to proceed to appoint a Director of the Division. To this end I seek input from all faculty in the Department of English who wish to express an opinion on who that person should be. We will not be going outside The University to find a Director, and I would prefer to select someone from among the faculty in the Department of English who identify themselves as in some sense members of the "Rhetoric and Composition faculty."

Second, I would like to appoint a committee, composed in part of faculty from the Department of English, to advise me on the questions of detail that arise as the Division of Rhetoric and Composition is being created. To this end it would be helpful if you could suggest to me a number of names of faculty who would be useful on such a committee. I would then like to meet with you no later than September 16 to discuss these names and to discuss who the representatives of the Department of English on such an advisory committee might be. There will be members of this committee from other units in Liberal Arts and The University.

Finally, I know there are lots of fears and lots of questions going round on this entire issue. I urge you to come see me as often as you want to so that we can dissipate as many concerns as possible as they arise.

Sincerely yours,

Bob

Robert D. King
Dean ad interim

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