Brown University Memorandum

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To      John Robinson, Perry Ashley, and SSP Steering Committee

From    Eric Widmer

As you now know, Dean Sheridan and I have arranged for the appointment of Sister Ramona Pena and Bob Lee as consultant counselors for Latino and Asian American students respectively. Funding for these appointments was made available from the University's contingency fund. It is the understanding of the President, in authorizing this contingency expenditure, that it is a one-time cost, not to be repeated in the future. This understanding was developed as a result of conversations with Dean Sheridan and me in which we informed the President that SSP in general, and the minority peer counseling program in particular, were being evaluated this year, and that one of the expected results of that evaluation was an improved representation of all minorities in our prevailing minority counseling program. It is therefore my hope that the review of SSP will indeed have this positive consequence, so that we will not again be faced with a need to provide the kind of baling wire solution to our minority counseling needs that we had to provide this year. I do not believe that any such add-on expenses will be possible next year, so that very careful planning and careful reviewing should be done now.

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