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We the faculty of the Biology Department at the College of Staten Island feel that the new Governance Plan proposed by President Fritz contains several major changes to be either agreed or not agreed upon within the time scale of the next few weeks. For example, the description of promotion and tenure of faculty within the proposed Governance Plan seems to leave out the critical role of department faculty and the Chair. We feel instead that the proposal requires considerable discussion over several meetings of all concerned parties, perhaps lasting a few months or a full year. Therefore, the Department of Biology urges that the proposal to adopt the new Governance Plan be tabled now, and a provision for more extensive discussion be outlined over the next year. This statement is approved by the Biology Department unanimously on March 16, 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chang-Hui Shen".

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Chang-Hui Shen, Ph.D., Professor and Chairperson, March 16, 2021