INFORMATION ITEM #2  
Student Conduct Process Update  
(Mary Jo Gonzales)

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT:  Student Conduct Process Update

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION:  The Student Conduct Process Task Force submitted recommendations on January 22, 2018. Information sessions about the recommendations were held in February 2018 at all WSU campuses and WSU Downtown Seattle.

Although it is anticipated that the recommendations will be adopted with some modifications and additions, it was determined that fully implementing new process and procedures (e.g., the recruitment and training of new board members by the fall 2018 semester) was not feasible. In addition, the U.S. Department of Education has signaled that it plans to release proposed rules regarding Title IX in June 2018, which may impact WSU’s new rules.

In June 2018, the university will present a new WAC approval timeline for the Student Code of Conduct, with the goal of having new rules in place by spring 2019. In the meantime, Student Affairs will begin preparing for implementation including developing a Student Handbook, vetting and securing necessary training resources, designing student-friendly flowcharts and sanctioning guides. These efforts will ensure a smooth transition to the new system. The summer months also will be used to draft and review new regulations so they are ready for the rulemaking process, including the public hearing, and Regents approval in the fall.