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Dear Bill,

I am writing today in response to the resolutions passed on Tuesday night regarding the Alumni Association's request for funding and resources to communicate with alumni about the review being undertaken by the Governance Committee of the Board of Trustees.

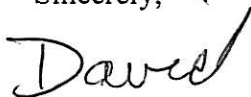
The Board has made clear that it is committed to considering the views of alumni as part of its review. As a first step, Ed Haldeman, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, sent a personal letter to alumni on June 8, the day that this review was initiated, informing alumni of the reasons for and the goals of the review. The College also established a website at <http://www.dartmouth.edu/governancefeedback> and issued a press release publicizing the site so that alumni would be encouraged to provide feedback. The online feedback process was reinforced in two separate "Speaking of Dartmouth" emails sent to all alumni. These emails included a direct link for easy access to the feedback site. Many alumni have already gone to the website and provided their thoughts and comments on the issues under review by the Governance Committee. Ed will be sending a communication to all alumni early next week.

In addition, the Committee is actively soliciting the views of trustees, emeritus trustees, and alumni leaders, as well as gathering information on best practices followed by other educational institutions and non-profit institutions.

In short, a number of steps have already been taken and mechanisms are in place to keep alumni up-to-date about the governance review and to solicit alumni views on this matter – and these measures appear to be working effectively. I discussed this with Ed Haldeman and Jim Wright. Given the various efforts underway, we do not believe that separate and duplicative communications from the Alumni Association are necessary.

Thanks again for your interest in this issue.

Sincerely,



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