

1. **Informational Report on Student Newspaper Readership Program**

The Student Newspaper Readership Program was initiated by President Graham B. Spanier in 1997 to provide students with broader perspectives on the world and national views. Since then, approximately 350 other colleges and universities have adopted a newspaper readership program on their campuses. Dr. Vicky L. Triponey, Vice President for Student Affairs, will lead a panel discussion that will include an overview of the program, how newspapers are used to enhance classroom learning, and highlights from a recent national assessment effort. The findings of this national study illustrate the strong and positive impact the readership program is having on student readership, civic engagement, and other student learning outcomes. Panelists will include Ms. Diane Barrett, *USA Today* Vice President for National Education Programs, Dr. Andrea Dowhower, Director of Student Affairs Research and Assessment, and Dr. Philip Burlingame, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs.