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Dear Randy and Katie,

Please find attached an informational item from the School of Music to share at an upcoming CAA meeting. The School is pausing its admission into the Bachelor of Music-Theory for two years.

Professor Jennifer Ottesen, Chair of ASCC, shared the proposed changes as an informational item at the most recent ASC Curriculum Committee meeting on Friday, January 19. I am including Professor Hedgecoth on this email in case CAA should have any questions for him.

Best regards,
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Dr. Smith and the Members of the Committee on Academic Affairs,

The School of Music will be pausing admission to our Bachelor of Music in Theory program for the 24-25 *and* 25-26 academic years. The rationale for this pause is as follows:

- Staffing changes will prevent consistent sequential course offerings.
- There are advising needs that cannot be met until new hiring is complete.

We plan to update our website and promotional materials immediately, reflecting this change. Please let me know if there are questions or concerns.

Thank you for your consideration,

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