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"Thank You" to faculty for inviting me to speak at your Senate Meeting.

Update on items covered at the Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) Meeting of 3/22/02 (see agenda and minutes enclosed). This includes announcements of coming events and distribution and discussion of Syllabus Statement to encourage the widest possible dissemination to students through their courses.

New developments since DAC Meeting, including Phyllis Rosen's departure and the ordering of additional software and equipment. The need for additional staff and the need for O.W. to comply with ADA requirements for "Equal Access" for students with disabilities, particularly regarding computers and the Internet. Other needs of OSSD regarding providing services to students including recarpeting floor to eliminate a hazardous condition and updating electrical system to avoid repeated interruptions of student & staff work due to power failures.

"Thank You" to faculty for their continued cooperation and support to ensure that academic accommodations are provided to all students who qualify. Call for need for volunteers among faculty (staff and students) particularly for tutoring and Disability Awareness Week VII.