MEMORANDUM

TO: Dean Marcy Driscoll, College of Education

THRU: Associate Dean Amy Guerette, College of Education

FROM: The College of Education Student Leadership Council

DATE: February 17, 2017

SUBJECT: Food Options in Stone Building Recommendations

It has come to the attention of the Student Leadership Council that students have expressed the desire for additional food options, including a food vending machine, in the Stone Building.

Based upon anonymous surveys from students (including findings in the 2015-2016 SLC Annual Report as well as ongoing assessments), we ascertained things the College is doing very well in addition to areas for improvement. Our data suggest that providing additional food options is one area where the students feel we can improve.

Based on this feedback, the Student Leadership Council is recommending an additional vending machine in the Stone Building containing food options. Currently, food options in Stone and the surrounding area are limited. Students would greatly appreciate the addition of healthy foods and snacks, easily accessible to students studying and attending classes in the building.

The SLC has contacted Building Services about the process for procuring an additional vending machines. We learned vending machines would be provided and maintained by Building Services with no cost to the College of Education. The SLC recommends the College move forward to obtain an additional vending machine containing healthy food options to be placed with the current drink machines on the ground floor entryway.

Additionally, the SLC suggests partnering with the university's food service vendor to promote (at their expense) nearby food options, such as Fresh Foods and The Doctor's In. This can be accomplished through flyers in the Stone Building; inviting the food vendor to table during various events, such as COE Week; as well as a highlight in the COE weekly newsletter. The SLC Ambassadors Committee can also provide food promotion information to prospective students and during program orientations.

We would like to have your input on this concern and are willing to discuss further at your convenience. Thank you in advance for your consideration.