## **INFORMATION ITEM #1**

Items Approved by the President Under Delegated Authority Establishment of Center and Degree Extension (Elizabeth S. Chilton)

## **Establishment of Center**

• Establish the WSU Center for Research and Innovation in Special Education (RISE)

## Mission Statement of RISE

Through research, innovation, service, and outreach, the Washington State University Center for Research and Innovation in Special Education generates and disseminates new knowledge aimed at enhancing the lives of people with disabilities, their families, schools, and communities. Built on a foundation of social justice, the Center for Research and Innovation in Special Education fosters and promotes diversity, equity, and full inclusion for all people, including racially, linguistically, and ability-diverse learners. The Center for Research and Innovation in Special Education is engaged in work that directly supports the land grant mission of the university, incorporates interdisciplinary connections, and addresses the need for innovative special education research and partnerships within Washington state and beyond. The mission of the WSU Center for Research and Innovation in Special Education is to transform the lives of people with disabilities, their families, schools, and communities through research and interdisciplinary approaches that seek innovative solutions to problems related to collaboration, inclusion, transition, and instruction.

The creation of the Center was passed by the Faculty Senate on November 2, 2023. The complete proposal, as submitted to President Schulz for consideration, is available upon request.

## **Degree Extension**

• Extend the Doctor in Education Leadership to WSU Everett

The degree extension was passed by the Faculty Senate on November 2, 2023. The complete proposal, as submitted to President Schulz for consideration, is available upon request.