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SUNY Poly Community,

I am happy to report that the Presidential search is well underway. I am pleased to give you an update regarding what we have done, where we are now, and what the next steps in the process look like.

Ongoing Recruiting efforts: We have placed the advertisement in several national publications, and our search consultants, Steve Leo and Brian Bustin from the national search firm of Storbeck Search & Associates have started the process of contacting candidates who have been nominated by others as well as actively recruiting prospective candidates. We are eager to hear from individuals within the SUNY Poly community concerning thoughts and ideas that can benefit this search. We invite you to nominate individuals whom you believe the committee should consider for President of SUNY Poly by e-mailing names and information to: SUNYPolyPresident@storbecksearch.com

Applicant Review: The Search Committee has begun the review of applications, and will continue to review applications through mid-March. We are on track to conduct our confidential interviews in April, with the goal of having candidates to recommend to the Chancellor by the end of April.

Search Survey: I thank those of you who were able to participate in the presidential search survey circulated to faculty, staff, students, alumni, administrators, and community leaders. Your responses will help the search committee understand the issues and challenges related to the search. We received over 500 responses, which is an outstanding number. To view the responses, please visit the presidential search webpage.

A search for a President requires a careful balance between transparency of the process and confidentiality, including individual candidates' names. We thank you for understanding that the best candidates require confidentiality and that the committee members have all agreed to abide by this rule.

Thank you for your support, as we move forward with this important search.

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