



Connecticut State University System

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Karl J. Krapek, Chairman
Board of Trustees

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Connecticut State University System community members,

I am writing to convey the anticipated schedule for the two leadership searches that the Board of Trustees must conduct over the next year. I wish to express my sincere gratitude to my fellow Trustees and members of the University System community as a whole, including those who reached out to the Board or me directly, for their patience and thoughtful input they provided as we determined the most appropriate course of action over the next several months.

In order to respond to the needs of Southern and the System as whole, I have decided to commence a search for the Chancellor position immediately with the hope that the Board appoints an outstanding candidate by the May 2011 Board meeting. We will follow our search procedures stringently and will ensure that there are meaningful opportunities for the entire System Community to provide input into this search through the System-wide Search Advisory Committee. Completing this search by that time will facilitate the orderly transition from Chancellor Carter to the new leader of CSUS.

It is my expectation that as the Chancellor search concludes, even if before May 2011, the Board will immediately establish the University Advisory Committee in order to commence the search for Southern's president. The presidential search will also provide opportunities for meaningful input from the university community to inform and advise the Board's deliberations. It is my sincere hope that Southern's new president will be selected prior to the end of the 2011-12 academic year.

I truly appreciate the thoughtful and open discussions held with Trustees as I considered how best to proceed with these searches that will substantially impact the future of our System, Southern, and our state. I am equally appreciative of the thoughts expressed by members of the System and Southern communities as we reviewed how best to move forward. I look forward to working closely with all as we commence and conduct these important searches. As these respective processes unfold, timely information will be shared with the System and all university communities in various forms. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Karl J. Krapek, Chairman
CSUS Board of Trustees

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