



27 February 2023

Dear Aurora University Community:

On behalf of the Presidential Search Committee, I write with an update on the presidential search process.

In recent weeks, the search committee has engaged in its critical work of evaluating candidates, interviewing and learning more about a small group of high potential candidates, and enabling candidates to explore the opportunity while honoring the confidentiality of the search process. We are very excited about the quality of the pool of candidates who are interested in serving as our next president. At the same time, we recognize that to attract a strong leader in a highly competitive environment, we need to be flexible and proactive with our process. As a next step, the committee has invited some members of our community to help us cultivate and evaluate a small number of our leading candidates by engaging them in confidential, small group dialogue. These meetings will take place from early to mid-March. Feedback from these meetings will be essential to the committee's deliberation process.

We are grateful for the trust you have placed in this committee and for your commitment to and support for Aurora University. We expect to provide you with more updates on the search in the coming weeks.

Sincerely,

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John D. Ammons
Chair, Aurora University Board of Trustees
Chair, Presidential Search Committee