

President Pre-search Activities

Dear Members of the CSB/SJU Campus Community,

We are excited to begin moving forward with pre-search arrangements for our move to a single-leader president for CSB/SJU. There are a number of moving pieces, all of which we want to share with you as part of this update.

The Presidential Search Committee has been assembled and attached is a list of search committee members and their affiliations. We recognize that by agreeing to serve on this committee, these members of our community are taking on a particularly important task with a significant time commitment; we are very grateful for their willingness to do so.

Later this month during the week of Sept. 20-24th we will welcome our search consultants from Academic Search (Maya Ranchod Kirkhope and Scott Flanagan) to campus for a pre-search visit. This is an important time, and we encourage each of you to take advantage of the chance to meet with them and share your voice as we shape this search. We have worked hard to create a schedule that will allow those opportunities. The consultants will also hold their first meeting with the Presidential Search Committee during their campus visit.

Pre-Search Consultant Meeting Schedule

- CSB/SJU Faculty Assembly – Thursday, 9/23, 4:30-5:30pm, SJU Campus (in person and remote)
- CSB/SJU Faculty Senate – Tuesday, 9/22, 4:30-6pm, SJU Campus (in person and remote)
- CSB/SJU Staff – Wednesday, 9/22, 9-10am, CSB Campus (in person)
- CSB/SJU Staff – Thursday, 9/23, 2-3pm, SJU Campus (in person)
- CSB/SJU Student Leaders – Wednesday, 9/22, 6-7pm, CSB Campus (in person)
- CSB/SJU Students – Thursday, 9/23, 6-7pm, SJU Campus (in person)
- Graduate Students – Wednesday, 9/22, 3-4pm, SJU Campus (in person)
- CSB Alumnae Board – Wednesday, 9/22, 5-6 pm, CSB Campus (in person)
- SJU Alumni Board – Tuesday, Sept 21, 2:30-3:30 pm, SJU Campus (in person)
- CSB Monastic Chapter – Monday, 9/20, 3-4:30pm, CSB Campus, Saint Ben's Monastery (in person)
- SJU Monastic Chapter – Tuesday, 9/21, 7-8:30pm, SJU Campus, Saint John's Abbey Chapter House (in person)
- Joint Board - Friday, 9/24, 9:30 am -12n, CSB Campus (in person and remote)
- Search Committee - Friday, 9/24, 2:30-5:00pm, CSB Campus (in person)
- Other groups will be scheduled as needed

Prior to the consultants visiting campus, we will distribute a survey that will allow them to gather pre-search information from you so they can focus their conversations during your meetings. The survey will also provide the Presidential Search Committee with information that will be invaluable as they develop the specific attributes and skills sought in our inaugural single president. We would be very appreciative if you could take a few minutes to complete the survey by the end of the day on **Thursday, Sept. 16**. Your insight and input will be greatly valued.

Link to survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CSBSJUSurvey>

On a related note, we plan to launch the pre-search Presidential Search website in mid-September. The site will feature updates and information relevant to the search. We urge you to periodically visit for new information on the search. The site will only be accessible to the campus community as we wait for our accrediting body, the Higher Learning Commission, to approve the structural change with our move to a single leader. Once we receive their affirmation, our website will become publicly accessible.

We welcome your input and feedback, and pledge to provide you with regular updates on the search process.

Sincerely,

Bennett Morgan and Terry Dolan
Presidential Search Committee Co-chairs