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Co-Chairs Dean of College of Communication Arts and Sciences and Search Committee Members

Dear colleagues,

We want to provide you with an update on the Dean search process.

First, we want to apologize to all of you who tried to participate in the 02/10 listening session and could not. The listening session was not held.  There was a scheduling miscommunication, for which we take full responsibility. We also regret that we did not send this note of apology sooner. Again, we ask for your understanding.

Second, we will be planning additional listening sessions in the very near future. You will receive an email with more information on those as soon as they are scheduled. Once those are completed, the search committee will work with the search firm in examining your comments and use them to inform the job posting.

Finally, we are in communication with Interim Provost Thomas Jeitschko about the process and timeline for this search. We will communicate with you further updates once those conversations wrap up.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Best,

Bruno and Mary

Co-chairs of the CAS Dean Search Committee

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