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Dear Colleagues:

I'm writing at the request of UNC Faculty Assembly leaders to ask you to participate in an upcoming survey regarding the criteria relating to experience, skills, characteristics, and philosophy that should guide the selection of the next UNC system president.

The UNC "Leadership Statement Committee" has begun the process of mapping the criteria that should guide the search for a new UNC system president to succeed the current president, Erskine Bowles. We are happy that there are three faculty representatives on this committee (UNC Faculty Assembly Chair, Judith Wegner [from UNC-Chapel Hill; UNC Faculty Assembly Chair-Elect, Sandie Gravett [from Appalachian State] and UNC Faculty Assembly Executive Committee member Raymond Burton [from UNC Wilmington]. Other members of this committee include leaders of the UNC Board of Governors, leaders of various UNC campus Boards of Trustees, and representatives of UNC staff and students.

The faculty representatives have now completed and launched a survey designed to seek insights from **all faculty on all campuses. Responses must be submitted no later than Friday April 2 at 5 p.m. in order to be considered.** Because materials related to the search fall within state public records requirements, data collected may be subject to disclosure upon request. You may therefore include your name and affiliation with your response, or you may respond without doing so to preserve confidentiality.

The survey can be accessed at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DRMBC22>. It is important that we have a strong faculty response and I urge you to participate so that we can convey the message that faculty members are deeply committed to helping guide the educational mission on our campuses, and very much wish to be heard.

Please help us guide this important search process. If you have questions, you can contact UNC Faculty Assembly Chair Judith Wegner (judith_wegner@unc.edu) or you can contact me at the following e-mail (walkerm@ecu.edu) so that I can address any of your concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Marianna Walker'.

Marianna Walker, Ph.D.
Chair of the Faculty
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