DATE: May 28, 2024
TO: Pitt Community College
FROM: Mr. Charles Ellis, Chair, Board of Trustees and Presidential Search Committee
RE: Presidential Search Update (Progress Report #4)

It is the purpose of this Progress Report to update PCC employees and members of the Pitt County community about the status of the Search process, and next steps related to Public Forums, originally scheduled for this week.

The Presidential Search Committee and Board of Trustees adopted a Search Timeline in early March that identified a process and milestones for an open, inclusive, and transparent search process. The Search Committee and Board has closely adhered to that timeline and process. The expectation, as published in the Timeline, was to host a Finalist Week this week (May 28 – 31), wherein each Finalist would be present on the Pitt CC campus, and participate in open fora. The fora are designed for the College community and community at large to be able to ask questions of each Finalist candidate, thereby getting to know them.

The State Board of Community Colleges has statutory and administrative authority to govern the selection and approval process related to Presidential Searches. Given that the State Board was not scheduled to meet in June, the Timeline for the Board of Trustees to host a Finalist Week has been amended. Therefore, the Board will determine a week in mid- to late June for completion of the Search process. Advance public notice, both to the College community and Pitt County community, will be published in advance of the fora. The notice will include the days, locations and times of each fora.

We look forward to significant participation by Pitt CC employees and community members in this part of the Search process.