Jan. 26, 2018

Dear Members of the UNC Community:

Last Wednesday and Thursday, January 17th and 18th, Alberto Pimentel, the executive search professional who is representing UNC in the presidential search, came to campus to meet with members of campus and the community to get your thoughts about the presidential search.

More than a dozen listening sessions were held by Alberto at the University Center. The sessions were well attended, and the Board of Trustees thanks each of you who spoke with Alberto and shared your thoughts about the personal and professional qualities and characteristics you believe the next President needs to have. Alberto said he was struck by the level of love for, and commitment to, UNC and its students that was expressed during the listening sessions

Your feedback is very important to us. It will be reflected in the position profile that is an important tool to recruit a diverse and highly qualified candidate pool. Your thoughts will also be used by the Board/Search Committee when it reviews and evaluates the applicants for the position.

On February 2nd, the Board will begin reviewing the information received by the search firm from the applicants. On February 7th, the Board/Search Committee will meet with Alberto to review and discuss the applicants. At that time, the Committee will either identify applicants to be invited for first-round interviews or determine that further recruitment will be necessary before doing so.

We'll provide you with further updates as the search process moves forward.

Once again, thanks to all of you who have helped and continue to help in the search process by giving us your thoughts about the important decision of who should be the next president of UNC.

Sincerely,

Richard Monfort, Chair Paul Washington, Vice Chair Anthony Salazar Christine Scanlan Kevin Ahern Kato Crews Janice Sinden Vish Iyer Michael Kelly