

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

May 1, 2019

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

On behalf of the University System of Maryland (USM) Board of Regents, I am pleased to announce the members of the search and screening committee for the new president of Coppin State University (Coppin).

This committee was selected after a deliberative process to ensure inclusion of a committed, insightful, diverse group of men and women, each bringing an important perspective to the group. In making the membership decisions, internal and external stakeholders were consulted, with nominations for service on the search committee solicited. The input received from these groups was invaluable and is well reflected throughout the committee membership.

Chaired by Regent Katrina Dennis, this committee will be assisted by Academic Search, an executive search firm with extensive experience in higher education. The committee and search firm will be at Coppin on May 9, taking part in a forum held on campus at which all members of the campus community will have the opportunity to share their perspectives on the background and experience the next president should possess to be successful and impactful. I encourage you to attend.

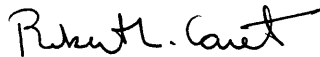
The members of the committee, which includes representatives from the broader Coppin community as well as representatives from Coppin's leadership, faculty, staff, students, and alumni are:

- Katrina Dennis, Regent (Chair)
- Ellen Fish, Regent
- Aisha Almond, Principal, Coppin Academy High School
- Reginald Exum, Vice President/Community Development Officer, Citi Community Development
- Sandi Green, Director, First-Year Experience Program
- Synethia Green, Program Specialist, Records and Registration and President of the Adjunct Faculty Association
- Ellen Herbst, USM Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration (Chancellor's Liaison)
- Dawn Kirstaetter, Vice President for Advancement and Strategic Partnerships, Baltimore City Community College
- Pamela Love Manning, USM Foundation, Coppin State University Alumni
- Mary Owens-Southall, Dean, School of Graduate Studies
- F. Michelle Richardson, Assistant Professor, Sport and Entertainment Management, College of Business
- Johnny Rice, Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice, College of Behavioral & Social Sciences

- Alicia Ritchie, Attorney, Coppin State University Alumni and Athlete, Coppin State University Board of Visitors
- Steven Sandler, Graduate Student
- Hany Sobhi, Associate Professor, Organic & Clinical Chemistry, Natural Sciences, College of Arts, Sciences & Education
- Aerian Tatum, Assistant Professor, Health Information Management, School of Allied Health
- Mary Wanza, Director, Parlett L. Moore Library
- Arynne Wilburn, Undergraduate Student

As you know, the selection of an institutional president is one of the board's most significant responsibilities. Identifying the next leader of a prominent HBCU is an obligation the board takes extremely seriously. I am confident the committee will move forward with a thoughtful, engaging, and collaborative search, identifying strong candidates to build upon the impressive strides the university has made under President Thompson's leadership.

Sincerely,



Robert L. Caret
Chancellor

cc: Maria Thompson, President, Coppin State University