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To the Washburn Community:

Yesterday afternoon, the Board of Regents met and reviewed the four proposals we received from search firms. All firms were qualified and had experience in doing presidential searches in higher education. We discussed the proposals and narrowed the selection to two firms – AGB Search from Washington, DC and WittKieffer from Oak Brook, Illinois. Our next step will be for a committee of regents to interview the two firms and report back to the full board. At that point, we will select a firm to guide us in the process of finding Washburn's next president.

Yesterday was my last day as the chair of the Board of Regents. I will remain on the board and be an active participant in the process, but as of today (July 1), Regent Shelly Buhler will begin her term as chair. Future emails regarding this process will come from her.

Thanks to staff, the presidential search website is now live. It will be updated throughout the process. https://www.washburn.edu/about/presidential_search/index.html

Have a safe holiday weekend.

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