

UofL faculty, students, staff, alumni and friends,

As part of the University of Louisville's presidential search process, the Board of Trustees is conducting a listening tour to give each of you an opportunity to ask questions and to tell us what you would like to see in our next leader.

We will hold open forums for faculty, staff, students, alumni and the community at large at the following times:

Wednesday, Jan. 17 – Noon-2 p.m. at the HSC Auditorium, Kornhauser Library, and 6 p.m.-8 p.m. at the University Club Ballroom.

Thursday, Jan. 18 – 3 p.m.-5 p.m. and 6 p.m.-8 p.m. at the University Club Ballroom.

These forums will be live streamed, and we will set up a Twitter account to enable those who cannot attend to participate in the discussion. We will share the live stream address, the Twitter information and the address for the presidential search website on *UofL Today* prior to the sessions. To ensure as much participation as possible, we will allow five to seven minutes per topic. To get the conversation started, I've attached a few questions for your consideration.

In addition, we will meet with constituency groups, including the Council of Academic Officers; the executive committees of the Faculty and Staff senates and Student Government Association; the Presidential Search Faculty Consultation Committee; and advisory groups including the Commission on Diversity and Racial Equality, the Commission on the Status of Women, the Diversity Unit Directors and Unit Diversity Committee Chairs.

These are very important meetings. The Trustees will use feedback from all these sessions to create a leadership statement/job description for the presidency and to inform decisions made during the search process.

I hope you will join us for one of the open forums, and I look forward to receiving your questions and comments.

Sincerely,

Bonita K. Black
Chair, Listening Tour Subcommittee
UofL Board of Trustees

Listening Tour Schedule:

January 17, 2018

8:30 – 10:00 a.m. – Faculty Senate Executive Committee (The History Room, HSC)

10:00 – 11:30 a.m. – Staff Senate Executive Committee (The History Room, HSC)

11:30 a.m. – Break for Lunch

12:00 – 2:00 p.m. – Open Forum for HSC Community (HSC Auditorium, Kornhauser Library) (light refreshments provided)

4:00 – 5:30 p.m. – CAO (University Club Library)

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. – Open Forum for Community At-Large (University Club Ballroom)

January 18, 2018

9:00 – 10:30 a.m. – COSW/CODRE, Diversity Unit Directors, Unit Diversity Committee Leaders (Floyd Theatre, Belknap)

10:30 – 12:00 p.m. – PSFCC (Jefferson Room, Belknap)

1:00 p.m. – Board of Trustees Meeting (Jefferson Room, Belknap)

3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Open Forum for Belknap Community (University Club Ballroom)

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. – SGA Leadership (University Club Library)

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. – Open Forum for Community At-Large (University Club Ballroom)

Questions for Listening Tour audiences:

1. What are the major challenges and opportunities the next President will inherit? Both immediately and longer term?
2. What attributes should the next president of UofL possess to be successful and best serve the diverse community that works and learns here?
3. What would you say to a hesitant/reluctant candidate to get him or her to enter the applicant pool? When you think of UofL, what themes most powerfully express our identity aside from current issues and concerns?
4. Is there a question we should have asked that we did not ask?