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Dear Members of the Saint John Paul II School Community,

I am writing to you as Chair of the President Search Committee to provide an update since last communicating with you on October 5th.

Since the beginning of this month, our consultants Charlie Britton and Beth Dietz from Carney Sandoe & Associates have been using their extensive national and international school leader network to contact potential candidates about the President's opportunity. The response has been promising, and initial conversations have begun with prospective candidates.

On October 10, the Search Committee met with Charlie and Beth for a "Search Readiness Workshop." Charlie shared what he had learned from his conversations last spring with key constituents during a campus site visit, and the Search Committee discussed this feedback in planning for the development of an official President Position Description, which will be published shortly.

Where do we go from here? Our consultants are continuing to recruit, interview, and vet candidates over the next several weeks. I am in communication with them on a regular basis. Once we have a pool of candidates vetted by Carney Sandoe, the Search Committee will review candidate materials and determine who will be interviewed. We expect this part of the process to play out over the month of November and into December. Finalists will be asked to come to campus and meet with key constituencies after the holidays. Upon fully vetting constituency feedback, the Search Committee will make a recommendation to Bishop da Cunha. We would hope to be in a position to announce the new President by mid-winter. Our intention is to adhere to the timeline as outlined above, although we remain open to accelerating or slowing this timeline in order to find and secure the right person for the position.

As the process unfolds, the Search Committee is committed to listening to your feedback while taking the responsibility of hiring a new President seriously. Please note that the Search Committee's work of interviewing and interacting with potential candidates is done on a confidential basis. We ask you to help us honor this confidentiality.

We will continue to keep you updated.

Sincerely,

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