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Dear Ron,

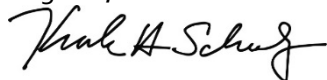
The signatories on your recent letter represent some of our most distinguished senior faculty members at Washington State University. I want to acknowledge that concerns expressed around our declining enrollment and the significant drop in our institutional US News and World Report rankings are problematic for the institution and require immediate attention from WSU Leadership. The system letter that I sent earlier this semester was a high-level summary of actions we are taking, and I will provide a more thorough report on these activities to you and the letter signatories in a subsequent communication.

I propose the following two actions as a follow-up to your recent letter:

1. Establish a meeting between signatories of your letter and the President, Executive Vice President and Provost, Executive Vice President for Health Sciences, and Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration to initiate a shared action plan to address the expressed concerns. I would also like to invite the Chair of the Faculty Senate, Dr. Eric Shelden, to this meeting.
2. Develop a follow-up communication to be sent to the WSU Regents detailing the outcomes of the meeting.

Please let me know if this would be an acceptable pathway forward.

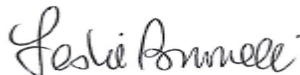
Regards,



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cc: Chancellors, Deans and Vice Presidents