

To: The College Community

From: John R. Conners

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Re: Presidential search update

At this evening's meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the appointment of Diversified Search to assist the College in its search for a new President. With over forty years of experience, Diversified is the largest woman-owned executive search organization in the country and has a wealth of experience in searches for business, not-for-profit, and educational institutions.

Leading Diversified's work with the College will be Dr. Charles E. Taylor, Managing Director of the firm's Cleveland office. Dr. Taylor has had a long and varied career, including his service as President of British Petroleum Shipping, Director of Corporate Contributions/Community Affairs for the Standard Oil Company, and many years in the executive search profession. He has also served as President of Wilburforce University in Ohio, an HBCU. He possesses a B.A., M.A., and Ph.D., all from The Ohio State University.

Over the past decade, Dr. Taylor has successfully completed over 125 executive search assignments for academic, corporate, and not-for-profit organizations. Among his recent assignments has been his successful work in supporting the Board of the Madison Area Technical College in Wisconsin in hiring its current President.

Dr. Taylor will begin his work at the College soon with a visit to meet with key stakeholders – both inside the College and in the community – as he begins to advise the Board and the search committee about the direction of the search and the early steps in the process.