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Dear Colleagues,

Last Wednesday, Trustee **Mark Walton**, Deloitte & Touche auditor **Joe Hyland**, Vice Presidents **Heesten** and **Rollins** joined me in a meeting with **Chancellor Chu** and two OBR staff members.

During the meeting we discussed interpretations of GASB procedures and Senate Bill 6 calculations. □ We received a review of the OBR process to calculate composite ratings, and we shared last year's audit statement. □ We also presented two other models for calculating a composite rating based on other interpretations of Senate Bill 6.

The Chancellor has asked us to prepare more data and the College's alternate modeling formulas to share with the Regents' advisory committee on Senate Bill 6. □ This committee is made up of eight college and university fiscal officers. □ We will be meeting with this committee very soon.

Additionally, we are working with the OBR staff and our auditor to prepare a preliminary calculation of our composite rating for FY 04. □ This model will guide us through the remainder of FY 04.

Our meeting was a positive one. □ Chancellor Chu has said that he and his staff are partners with the College as we work through this circumstance. □ So, again, I believe that we will see a positive outcome. □ More information will be shared as we continue to meet.

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Sincerely,

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**Ron D. Wright, Ph.D.**

President