Search for the 12th President

Presidential Search Town Hall Meetings

Oct. 12 & 13, 2021

MIDWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
A Member of the Texas Tech University System
Where we are today…

• Dr. Shipley Announced Retirement … June 2, 2021
• Dr. Johnston Appointed as Interim … Aug. 5, 2021
• MSU Texas Joins TTU System … Sept. 1, 2021
• Search Committee Announced … Sept. 16, 2021
• Values Journey and Summit … Sept. 28-29, 2021
• Search Committee’s First Meeting … Oct. 6, 2021
• Townhalls with Stakeholders … Oct. 12 & 13, 2021
Presidential Search Townhalls

Goal: Learn what’s important to you in searching for the university’s 12th president

Format:
- Overview of Search Process
- Stakeholder Discussion
  - Characteristics, type of leader
  - Opportunities for the next president
- Question & Answer Session
Search Committee

- **Mark Griffin (Chair)** – Vice Chairman and Member, TTU System Board of Regents
- **Glenn Barham** – MSU Texas alumnus; Chair, MSU Texas Comprehensive Campaign Committee; President, Sheppard Air Force Base Military Affairs Committee; Former Mayor, City of Wichita Falls; Former Wichita Falls Police Officer
- **Kendra Burris** – Deputy Chancellor, TTU System
- **Ginger Kerrick Davis** – Member, TTU System Board of Regents
- **Jeff Dillard** – MSU Texas donor and Wichita Falls native
- **Tony Fidelie** – Former MSU Texas Regent; MSU Texas and TTU alumnus
- **Reagan Foster** – Assistant Athletics Director for Student-Athlete Development/Community Outreach; Staff Senate Chair; MSU Texas alumna
- **Karen Moriarty, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC** – Chair, Faculty Senate; Associate Professor, Wilson School of Nursing
- **Oku Okeke** – Former MSU Texas Regent; MSU Texas alumnus
- **Austin Strode** – President, Student Government Association, MSU Texas; Student
- **Shelley Sweatt, Ed.D.** – Former MSU Texas Regent; President and CEO, The Priddy Foundation; TTU alumna
- **Sam Watson, Ph.D.** – Dean and Professor, Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities and Social Sciences
Role of the Search Committee

• Solicit and review applications
• Screen initial candidates
• Ensure representation of respective constituency groups
• Recommend highly qualified candidates (one or more) to the Chancellor and Board
Scope & Direction of the Search

• Collaborative, communicative approach
• Active, national search to recruit a strong pool of potential candidates
• Confidential, fair, robust process incorporating values
• Search firm considerations

Commitment: To find the best leader possible for MSU Texas
Search Process: Steps & Timeline

**Engagement & Development**
- Search Committee Announced
- Search Committee’s First Meeting
- Townhalls with Stakeholders
- Development of Position Profile

(By the end of October)

**Solicitation & Recruitment**
- Public Launch of Search
- Advertising Placed & Running
- Development of Candidate Pool

(November 1 through December 31)

**Screening & Recommendation**
- Search Committee Meets
- Application Review
- Screening Interviews
- Recommendation to Chancellor, Board of Regents

(By the end of March 2022)

*Anticipated steps and timing, subject to change*
Search Process: Steps & Timeline

- **Semi-Finalist Interviews**
  - Chancellor, select leadership interview semi-finalists
  - Additional background vetting

- **Sole Finalist Announcement**
  - Board meets, and with a recommendation from the Chancellor, votes to name a sole finalist

- **Official Appointment**
  - Officially appointed following 21-day required notice

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Core Values (Draft as of Sept. 29)

On Sept. 28-29, 2021, members of the MSU Texas family – students, faculty, staff and community members – gathered to identify the core values that unite us.

People-Centered
Integrity
Visionary
Connections
Community
Stakeholder Discussion

The Opportunity

Midwestern State University (MSU Texas) seeks a dynamic, effective and forward-thinking leader to serve as the university’s 12th president and to lead MSU Texas into its second century. The President will …

The successful candidate is…
What’s next...

- Complete Townhalls
- Incorporate Feedback to Position Profile
- Finalize Website and Promotion Materials
- Placement of Advertising
- Launch of the Search, Begin Solicitation

Townhall Schedules

Tuesday, October 12
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 13
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
For questions, comments and to stay engaged…

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