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Ned Lamont, Governor
State Capitol
210 Capitol Avenue
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Dear Gov. Lamont,

We write regarding yet another controversy in the state's largest public college system involving the former interim CSCU chancellor, the Board of Regents, and the new interim chancellor.

You reportedly want to allow an independent review to proceed before drawing conclusions about individuals.

We have seen the multiple news reports about Marty Guay and Karen Buffkin and what they have allegedly done and said and heard.

Have you spoken to them directly?

Board of Regents Chair Guay reportedly said he fired an employee for filing a sexual harassment complaint against his colleague. Have you confirmed this? Will Mr. Guay issue a statement to clarify this?

Regarding new interim chancellor Karen Buffkin: Have you confirmed that she was aware of the alleged Maduko harassment as has been reported?

If you have confirmed this, then why wait for a review? Why let it linger? Why not act? Why not make meaningful reforms to the board?

If you pursue the review, our questions are as follows:

In the Regents' May 4 meeting, it was announced that an "outside firm" would review "the former interim chancellor's conduct".

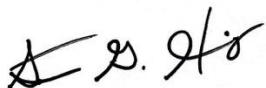
Can you please supply any details about the "outside firm", if there was a competitive bidding process, and its contract?

In addition, is former interim chancellor Maduko still getting any form of taxpayer-funded income? If so, what? Any details would be appreciated.

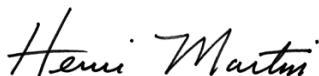
Is former Chancellor Cheng still getting any form of taxpayer-funded income? If so, what? And is Cheng going to be working as a state taxpayer-funded professor? If so, can you please provide details regarding job description, salary and duties?

Are CSCU employees doing state business communications via the Signal messaging app?

Sincerely,



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