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To: Colleagues <colleagues@groups.csusb.edu>
Subject: PDC Leadership Change

Dear Colleagues,

I am writing to inform you that Jake Zhu, dean of CSUSB's Palm Desert Campus, will be stepping down from his position on June 30, 2023. As noted in his message to PDC colleagues, he plans to transition into retirement and care for his aging mother. He will continue to lead the Palm Desert Campus while we search for a new PDC chief administrator.

Jake joined Cal State San Bernardino in 2002 as an assistant professor in the Department of Information and Decision Sciences and was a co-founder of the university's highly successful Cyber Security Center. He has served in several leadership positions during his tenure, including chair of the Department of Information and Decision Sciences, associate dean of the Jack H. Brown College of Business and Public Administration and interim dean of the College of Education. A 2016-17 American Council on Education (ACE) Fellow, his project focused on the implementation of a campus-wide student success initiative.

Please join me in thanking Jake for his leadership and service during the last 20 years and wishing him well as he transitions into retirement.

Sincerely,
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