Dear Coyotes and Colleagues,

Yesterday, February 24, our provost and vice president for academic affairs Shari McMahan was unanimously voted as the new president of Eastern Washington University by its Board of Trustees. The board will be voting next month on her employment contract, which will then formally appoint her as Eastern Washington's 27th president. She will succeed the former president, Mary Cullinan.

After a university's president, its provost serves as a key campus leader, overseeing the operations of the university's academic heart. Shari has done this superbly for Cal State San Bernardino since 2016, with an exemplary dedication to our faculty's success while keeping her passion for student success at the forefront. Her most recent accomplishment was successfully shepherding CSUSB through our reaccreditation process, which we passed with flying colors.

Please join me in congratulating Shari on this news. Our impending loss will be Eastern Washington's gain. As the spring progresses, I will follow up with CSUSB's succession plan. In the meantime, let us take this moment to applaud Shari on achieving this next step in her impressive career in higher education.

Sincerely,

Tomás D. MoralesPresident