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Sent:

Wednesday, August 19, 2020 7:58 AM

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Subject:

Were SUNY Board of Trustees' members furnished with my Aug 14th e-mail as to Mr.

Malatras' unfitness to be chancellor -- & the unlawfulness of the "confidential search"?

Attachments:

8-14-20-confirmation-of-receipt.pdf

TO:

SUNY Board of Trustees

Gwen Kay/President - Faculty Senate

Christy Fogal/President - Faculty Council of Community Colleges

Jahad Hoyte/President - Student Assembly

Edward Spiro, Esq. Eric Corngold, Esq.

Based on yesterday's <u>Albany Times Union</u> article "<u>SUNY poised to name Cuomo loyalist Malatras as chancellor</u>" and Monday's <u>New York Post</u> article, "<u>SUNY Board set to appoint Cuomo right-hand Jim Malatras next chancellor: source</u>", it appears that members of the Board of Trustees are unaware of my below two e-mails, sent to Board staff late Friday afternoon, August 14th, and early Monday morning, August 17th, **particularizing, with proof**, that the Board's purported "confidential search" for a chancellor involving Mr. Malatras is unlawful, violating Public Officers Law §74, and that he is a corrupt public officer who must be categorically rejected.

Am I correct in surmising that Board staff did not distribute either e-mail to you – and that you were, instead, pushed into meetings to approve Mr. Malatras' appointment? Indeed, prior to sending the August 14th e-mail, I spoke with Board Coordinator Pamela Morrison (cell: 518-888-4650), who promised to both confirm the e-mail's receipt AND, following preliminary review by staff, its distribution to the Board. The only confirmation I received was as to the e-mail's receipt – and it is above attached.

As you are the only Board members whose e-mail addresses I was able to find on the internet, I ask that you immediately forward this e-mail to the Board's other members – and place it on the agenda of today's meeting at which Mr. Malatras' appointment as chancellor is expected to be approved.

I am available to assist you – and will, meantime, forward this e-mail to the press and other appropriate parties for investigation and report as to who, at SUNY, reviewed the August 14th and August 17th e-mails, upon receipt, whether they were thereafter distributed to the Board, and whether the scheduling of the Monday night Board meeting was prompted by the August 14th e-mail.

Thank you.

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Sent: Monday, August 17, 2020 8:14 AM

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