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Sent: Saturday, May 18, 2019 8:00:43 PM
To: President
Cc: Concerned Faculty of TU
Subject: Re: Access to report

President Clancy,

I write on behalf of the concerned faculty of the University of Tulsa. We request that you immediately release the complete HLC site visit report to the faculty. Your email of April 30 offers no cogent reason for continuing to withhold that report from us. In addition, we request that you instruct Provost Levit immediately to make the complete PPRC report, now sequestered in her office, freely available to all faculty to study at our leisure.

You and Provost Levit have repeatedly referred to the HLC report to justify the actions and recommendations of the PPRC, and have used the PPRC report to justify your radical True Commitment restructuring plan. Yet you have made it impossible for faculty to read any portion of the former, and as difficult as possible for us to study the latter.

I must inform you that Tom Bordenkircher of the HLC seems inclined to agree that our request is fair and reasonable. When I phoned him about the situation, he was surprised to learn that your administration has concealed the HLC report from us—particularly because Provost Levit had left him with the distinct impression that it would be made public. You may expect that the HLC's response to your administration's repeated violations of basic principles of faculty governance enshrined in the Faculty Senate Constitution and elsewhere will far surpass surprise in weight and consequence.

Sincerely,

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