

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## STATE COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR VIRGINIA

James Monroe Building, 101 North Fourteenth Street, Richmond, VA 23219

June 23, 2023

Dear esteemed members of the SCHEV Search Committee,

I am delighted you have agreed to serve in this role as we embark on the crucial task of selecting the next Executive Director for the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia. As Chair of the Board, with consultation from Vice-Chair Webb, we have carefully selected each member of this committee for your expertise, dedication, and unwavering commitment to the success of higher education in our great state.

I charge the group with the collective responsibility of identifying visionary leaders who possess the qualifications, experience, and passion required to drive our mission forward. We must seek out individuals who can guide and shape the future of higher education across the Commonwealth, addressing the evolving needs of students, institutions, and the larger community. The eventual chosen candidate will have some big shoes to fill.

To ensure an inclusive and thorough selection process, it is imperative that we engage in open and transparent discussions, fostering an environment where diverse perspectives can be shared and evaluated. Although I will not be an official member of the committee, as Board Chair, I will make every effort to attend most meetings. While the committee's collective judgment will prevail to bring forth the very best candidates, the final selection will be voted upon by the entire board.

I have complete confidence in the abilities of each committee member and trust that, together, we will identify exceptional candidates who will lead SCHEV with distinction. I am excited to commence our work and witness the positive transformation that lies ahead.

Thank you for your dedication and service.

Sincerely,

Ken Ampy, Board Chair State Council of Higher Education for Virginia