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Public presentations by the candidates for the UMM chancellor position were held in Oyate Hall on April 5, 10, 12 and 17. Each candidate gave a presentation on the topic, "The Future of the Public Liberal Arts: Taking UMM to the Next Level," with a reception following. Candidates also attended a Community Reception at the Stevens County Historical Society. They offered informal remarks on each of the above dates on "How a University and a Community Can Work Together."

Your participation in the selection of UMM's next chief executive is important to us. All UMM faculty, staff, students and area residents were invited to attend the presentations and are also invited to provide feedback regarding the candidates. If you need a chancellor search evaluation form and are unable to download it from the Web, there are several forms available outside Science room 2085. Feedback must be received no later than this Friday, April 21, for consideration in the final report.

The search committee will write their report on the candidates based on feedback gathered from all venues and constituents over the course of the search. The evaluation will be focused as closely as possible on the position description developed at the onset of the search. The search committee has been charged to "recommend to us [President Robert Bruininks and Senior Vice President Robert Jones] a list of individuals that you deem most highly qualified. The list of finalists should be unranked and your confidential search committee report should include a statement regarding the qualifications, strengths, and weaknesses of each individual."

The new chancellor will be following in the footsteps of UMM's fourth chief executive, Sam Schuman, who has announced his plans to retire as chancellor effective June 30. A Farewell Picnic for Sam and Nancy Schuman is set for Monday, May 1, from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. A short program will be held on the campus Mall's natural stage with the time to be determined. The inclement weather site is Oyate Hall. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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