

SRU Presidential Search Committee narrows field to five

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SLIPPERY ROCK, Pa. – The final countdown has begun. The Slippery Rock University Presidential Search Committee announced today that it had narrowed the pool of candidates for president of the University from 10 to five. The final candidates will visit campus the week of Feb. 12 for public interviews with students, faculty, staff, administrators, alumni and community members.

Invited for campus interviews are:

-**Daniel Wubah**, senior adviser to the president, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia. Wubah will interview Feb. 11-12.

-**Matthew Liao-Troth**, senior vice president and provost/vice president of academic affairs, Hawai'i Pacific University, Honolulu, Hawaii. Liao-Troth will interview Feb. 12-13.

-**William Behre**, provost, Georgian Court University, Lakewood, New Jersey. Behre will interview Feb. 13-14.

-**James Strong**, professor of marketing, College of Business, California State University, Stanislaus, Turlock, California. Strong will interview Feb. 14-15.

-**Rodney Hanley**, provost and vice president of academic affairs, Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee. Hanley will interview Feb. 15-16.

Cover letters and CVs of the candidates will be available 24 hours in advance of their interview on the Presidential Search page at: <http://www.sru.edu/news/presidential-search>.

People will have 24 hours following each interview to provide feedback to the Search Committee via a candidate-specific link on the Presidential Search page at: <http://www.sru.edu/news/presidential-search>.

"The five candidates invited to campus truly demonstrate how geographically diverse this search was," said Jeff Smith, SRU trustee and chair of the Search Committee.

"The candidates come from New Jersey, Virginia, Tennessee, California and Hawaii. The challenge for the committee is to identify which two candidates they feel are best suited to lead the University forward. The candidate's interaction with the campus community will play a big part in that evaluation."

The Search Committee will meet Feb. 19 for the purpose of selecting two candidates to recommend to SRU's council of trustees. The COT has scheduled a special meeting Feb. 23 to review the recommendations. If approved by the COT, those names will then be forwarded to Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education board of governors, who will interview the candidates and select the next president. The COT meeting is open to the public.

All candidates will utilize the following schedule:

Day 1

The evening prior to the interview, candidates (including spouse/partner) will tour the president's residence; meet with the Academic and Student Affairs Executive Council; the Presidential Search Committee; and attend a reception at the president's residence.

Day 2

8-8:30 a.m.	300 Old Main	Breakfast w/president's staff
8:30-9:30 a.m.	304 Old Main	President's Council
9:30-10:30 a.m.	Alumni House	Non-faculty union leadership/staff
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Alumni House	Managers
11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Campus	Tour
12:45-1:45 p.m.	SSC 324/SSC 320*	Lunch with student leaders
2-3 p.m.	SSC Theatre/Ballroom*	Faculty/APSCUF leadership
3:15-4:30 p.m.	SSC Theatre/Ballroom*	Open campus forum
4:30-5:30 p.m.	SSC Theatre/Ballroom*	Open student session
7:30-9 p.m.	TBD	Dinner with Search Chair

(*Alternate location for Feb. 16)