TWIN FALLS – The following information was sent to the CSI family via email on July 17, 2013

CSI Family,

Thanks once again to all of you who have taken part as we launched the CSI presidential search last week. Approximately 130 CSI staff members along with several members of the community took part in the public forums last Thursday at the Herrett Center. Our facilitator from the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT), Dr. Pam Fisher, was very pleased with the turnout, saying it was one of the largest she’s ever seen for a college that isn’t experiencing some sort of leadership crisis. Many of you spoke up at those meetings, offering your feelings about what challenges and opportunities CSI faces in coming years as well as what qualities we should seek in a new president. From that feedback, Dr. Fisher wrote and the CSI Board of Trustees approved a position statement that has become the foundation of our search.

Another key element of the search is the presidential search website that you will now find on the homepage of the CSI website. Over the last week, Ed Ditlefsen, Chika Daggett, and Doug Maughan have gathered, formatted, and placed information on this site that can now be viewed by applicants and anyone who is interested in the presidential search process. We encourage you to browse through it and watch for updates.

Many thanks to those of you who sent comments to Dr. Fisher via email. She has read and considered each of them as our profile was created. Dr. Fisher also welcomes your nominations if you would like to recommend that she contact someone who should be considered for the CSI presidency. Please look through the website to familiarize yourself with the qualifications we are looking for. If you know of someone who would meet these needs, please feel free to email his or her name, title, institution, email, and cell number to Dr. Fisher at pamfisher@bresnan.net. Remember that the target date for presidential applications is Sept. 13.

Finally, thanks to the eight CSI and community members who have agreed to serve with me on the Presidential Search Committee. They are: Rosemary Fornshell, Tina Standlee, Brian Williams, Cally Grindstaff, Jim Woods, Terry Patterson, Chuck Coiner, and Kendall Lindley. Two CSI Trustees, Jan Mittleider and Laird Stone, also serve on the search committee as non-voting liaisons to the board. I’m grateful for their perspectives and the donation of their time through this process.

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