Dr. Lucchesi and Dr. Stewart met with both the Centerwide and the Executive Committee. Dr. Lucchesi introduced himself and asked Presiding Officers from other Colleges/Schools to introduce themselves. Dr. Lucchesi stated that Dr. Stewart would serve as an Interim Provost until the search committee selects a new President. Dr. Lucchesi thanked the committee for their support and for nominating Dr. Stewart and himself. Dr. Lucchesi stated that he would handle the hospital operations and Dr. Stewart would be in charge of all educational matters. Last month, they held a Town Hall meeting for the campus, and the turnout was huge. Both Drs. Lucchesi and Stewart have met with the local politicians. Dr. Lucceshi stated that the Northwell Brooklyn Study is complete and the results will go to the Governor. This report decides what hospital will get money. From his understanding, Downstate will not receive any money. Additional monies will go to Brookdale, and other three distressed hospitals will split the rest of the money. Dr. Lucchesi feels that this is unacceptable and is in the process of crafting a letter to the Governor's office and will get the local politicians involved.

Both Drs. Lucceshi and Stewart met with the Deans and spoke to faculty and asked them what their expectations were. Dr. Lucchesi said he will plan another Town Hall meeting after the release of the results of the Brooklyn Health Study. As for personnel, Dr. Lucceshi indicated that change would come, but it will take time. He will be in charge of new hiring. This month, he hired a new CIO, who will start next week.

Dr. Lucceshi stated that the interviews for the new President would start soon. The Search Committee has narrowed the CV's from 30 to 12. They were in the process of interviewing, but stopped to review six incoming CV's.

Dr. Lucceshi and Dr. Stewart answered questions from the audience.

Respectfully submitted,

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