



**COUNCIL OF UNIVERSITY SYSTEM PRESIDENTS**  
**January 9, 2017**

Meeting Notes

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The Council of University System Presidents met on January 9, 2017 with Chancellor Caret and USM senior staff.

Chancellor Caret and Mr. Vivona briefed the presidents on the status of the FY 2018 budget and discussed strategies to support and enhance the proposed budget and Mr. Hogan briefed the presidents on proposed bills that are expected to be submitted.

Chancellor Caret discussed the process for mid-year reviews for presidents and his direct reports. He also provided feedback on the recently submitted requests for E-Novation Grants and discussed ways to improve future proposals.

Ms. Moultrie updated the presidents in the status of sponsorship for the Light City event.

Mr. Vivona reported that the Chancellor and USM staff will be meeting with the rating agencies later in the week; expectations are that USM will not have a reduction in their rating.

President Miyares told the presidents about the interest of the Kanagawa Prefecture in developing educational alliances with USM institutions, including an English immersion program.

Chancellor Caret and the presidents discussed the current status of campus activism on each campus and agreed that the best approach was for each institution to address any issues raised but they will continue to discuss and share what is going on at each campus. Dr. Boughman noted that the BOR Education Policy and Student Life Committee was holding a panel on the plans for managing campus activism at their next meeting on January 17, 2017.