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Stephen Tanner  
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RE: *EOU Assembly Resolution*

Dear Professor Tanner:

We received today your April 14 letter requesting that the Chancellor and the Oregon State Board of Higher Education conduct an "extraordinary review" of President Khosrow Fatemi.

We listened to the April 11, 2006 EOU Assembly meeting with interest, and we appreciate and share your concern for Eastern Oregon University. During the meeting, the primary rationale provided to justify the vote was the financial well-being of the campus. At the April meeting of the State Board of Higher Education, the Chair of the Board's Finance & Administration Committee, Don Blair, asked President Fatemi to explain to the Committee at its May 2006 meeting EOU's financial condition and his plans to ensure the university's financial sustainability. President Fatemi readily agreed to this request.

We are confident that this process, already underway, will provide us with the information we need to fully understand EOU's financial situation and plans, and be able to support EOU's leadership and the campus community in achieving the important mission of the institution.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Lorenzen'.

Henry C. Lorenzen  
President  
State Board of Higher Education

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'George Pernsteiner'.

George Pernsteiner  
Chancellor  
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cc: President Khosrow Fatemi, EOU  
Don Blair, Chair, Finance & Administration Committee