A Statement from President H. Fred Walker

The Edinboro University community has been working together collaboratively since July 2016 to ensure a successful future for our university and our students. That ongoing work is progressing toward significant change in all areas of our university.

Because program revisions could be among the resulting changes and to fulfill a requirement of the collective bargaining agreement with the Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculties (APSCUF), I informed the local APSCUF chapter today by letter that faculty positions could be affected at the conclusion of the 2017-18 academic year.

The letter was issued with one purpose: to meet the formal requirements of the collective bargaining agreement. The agreement requires notification when financial, organizational or programmatic changes that have the possibility of impacting faculty positions are being considered.

It is important to note the word: possibility. There are no determinations regarding faculty positions or programs at this time. All interventions across the University are under consideration, as are numerous enhancements to address the key areas of student success, bringing expenses and revenue into alignment, and refreshing our program array.

I have pledged to work closely with Dr. Michael Bucell, President of the EU APSCUF Chapter, and his membership to explore all alternatives.

It is essential that we support one another and continue to work together as a community to determine the best path forward to ensure a strong future for Edinboro University, its employees and most of all, its students.