

Dear UK Dining Employees,

As the semester closes out, I wanted to provide you with an update on the status of the Request for Proposal (RFP) process.

In review, the RFP was issued on September 12 and responses were received on November 7. The RFP committee, composed of faculty, staff and students, has worked diligently to review the submissions and other relevant information during this process.

When we met as a group in September, and again during the last dining open forum on November 6, I reported that the University's goal was to advise you and your colleagues of the next step in the process before winter break. The idea was to either proceed with the negotiation phase with one or more responders to the RFP or stop the process.

However, the RFP review process is not quite complete so we won't have a final decision on the next step before the holidays. The process involves a great deal of work and analysis, which will take more time.

But I want you to know that we are working daily to move this process forward as quickly as possible. Our commitment is to keep you informed as we progress. As soon as a decision is made, I will meet with you and share this information.

Thank you for your commitment to UK and have a great holiday. Should you have any questions, please contact me.

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