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On a few characteristics for the next president of Jackson State University

The following list contains some of my thoughts on a few attributes for the next president of JSU:

- A person who can lead JSU in positioning itself to influence the national agenda on HBCU's and higher education for African Americans, in general.
- Someone who really understands the true importance of faculty and values them, supports the practice of shared governance, and demands excellence in teaching, research and service.
- Someone who understands how to make an organization run very effectively in support of what faculty wants to do.
- A person who can be analytical in decision making, but yet compassionate and flexible, and has outstanding value judgment ability.
- An individual who understands the important legacy and role of JSU which has to be respected and yet moved into the future where its graduates will be prepared to compete with others globally.
- Someone with an experience base which was forged from working in a cross-section of sectors like academia, corporate, government and private industry. The individual should have worked in a combination of sectors to be effective in such a complex enterprise as JSU.
- An individual who can develop alumni interest in philanthropy.
- A recognized scholar who has gone through the academic promotion and tenure process who holds the rank of full professor.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Quinton L. Williams".

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