



# Open Forum

Discussion on Removing the Word “Interim” from  
Dr. Gogue’s Title

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238 Broun Auditorium



# Consideration of Reinstatement

The Board of Trustees are considering

**reinstatement** of Dr. Gogue as AU's regular president

until such a time as they prepare and search for AU's next president



# Rationale and Recommendation

## Simple pragmatic reason:

- demonstrably worthy and deserving of the title he held for ten years, the very same awarded to him after a full and open search.
- His wisdom and selfless service is well documented, as an advocate for AU community.

Therefore, having him serve with any less title or formality would not seem to make great sense!



# Cont'd on Rationale and Recommendation

- Communication with the Alabama Legislature.
- Implementation of the recently adopted 5-year Strategic Plan
- Attract a skilled chief executive officer as his successor.
- Students do not wish to have “interim” presidents sign their diplomas!



# Closing-Next Steps

Believe that Dr. Gogue would bring

- Stability &
- achievement to the important mission of AU.

at the next BOT meeting in February, they would like to move forward with this change.



# Cont'd on Closing-Next Steps

Regarding the search for the new president, they assure us that the BOT intends to conduct

- Full  
&  
• Open

presidential search, with twelve-month's notice to the university community.



# Cont'd on Closing-Next Steps

When the process begins

Form an **advisory committee** consisting all stakeholders, including faculty and others

who will be charged with helping the BOT in its important task of choosing a new president.