

Statement from Board Chair Charles Lutz to the UIW Community

Over the past two weeks, our long-time President, Dr. Lou Agnese, has exhibited sporadic uncharacteristic behavior and comments. His interactions with some students, faculty and administrative staff during this time have provoked considerable concern for his well-being.

Dr. Agnese, who has served as President of the University of the Incarnate Word for 30 years, has requested medical leave and the University has granted that request for a 90-day period, effective immediately.

Dr. Denise Doyle, Provost Emerita of the University, has agreed to serve as Acting President during Dr. Agnese's medical leave.

Out of respect both for Dr. Agnese and for employees and students who have voiced concern, the University makes no further comment at this time. We offer a sincere apology to persons who may have been or were offended. Our prayers and thoughts are with Dr. Agnese, his family and the entire university community during this difficult situation.