

The Big Red Tool



April Fools 2019: The Dean Firin' Edition!

Baaah!! Means No!!

BREAKING NEWS! The Big Red Tool has obtained through an Open Records Request The Western™ President's letter to the Board of Regents explaining Dean Larry Snyder's firing. In the interest of transparency and public accountability, we are publishing it for our readers.



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Office of the President

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear The Western™ Regents:

I write to provide you an update on campus affairs.

It's spring on The Western's™ campus! The cherry trees are resplendent in fragrant bloom, daffodils have pushed through the loam and face the rising sun, and the Provost fired Larry Snyder.

It is a rite of spring at The Western™! Shorts-clad Thursday night partiers are emerging from winter slumber to revel in their crapulent perambulation, while dozens of students are protesting in front of Wetherby Administration Building. Potter College students' May graduation paperwork is sitting in the Dean's inbox, with nobody to sign the forms, while Robins nest lovingly on their little blue eggs in the fresh chill of morn.

That view from the top of Centennial Mall to the Guthrie Tower is breathtaking, gorgeous, and absolutely stunning, just like Sally Ray and her refusal to sit in Larry Snyder's vacant Dean's chair, leaving Potter College leaderless for the foreseeable future.

The Western™ faculty is demanding answers, and Provost Ballman has left town. No bother! This is the time when Provosts, the red-breasted merganser, and other waterfowl migrate to warmer climes. And soon the faculty and students will be on summer break and forget all about this.

It reminds me that you can see the face of God in the purple crocuses that thrust into the air, a vanguard of springtime, sort of like The Western's™ ballooning budget deficit and recurring enrollment shortfalls. Like my oversized, annual performance bonus, they are spring's harbingers that bloom like clockwork to launch the season and begin a new cycle of hopefulness, austerity, and staff layoffs.

To conclude, Go Tops!, and these aren't the droids you're looking for, you can go about your business, move along, there's nothing to see here.

Yours,

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President Timothy C. Cabonus

