April 8, 2015

Dear Members of the UW Community:

I am deeply saddened to inform you of the tragic loss of another member of the UW family.

As you know, last week a student took his own life in a vehicle outside one of our residence halls. The investigation into that death has reached a point that we can identify him as Martin Oppenheimer, a freshman from Cleves, Ohio.

Today, another student died of an apparent suicide in one of the residence halls. The death is under investigation, and we are in contact with his family and friends to make sure they have the support and services they need.

During this time of great loss, we are reminded of the importance of community. Losing a fellow student and member of our university can be very difficult.

I encourage those who feel they may need additional support to contact the UW Counseling Center, located in 341 Knight Hall. The Counseling Center is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., and is prepared to support students. Students can also call an after-hours crisis counselor at (307) 766-8989 or Peak Wellness Center at (307) 745-8915.

UW employees may seek assistance through the Employee Assistance Program – specifically, Mines & Associates at (800) 873-7138.

In addition, the Dean of Students Office, 766-3296, is available for any emotional or academic assistance you may need.

Sincerely,

Dick McGinity

President

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