## STAFF UPDATE FROM PRESIDENT PAUL CARLSEN – May 8, 2020

## Team LTC,

In yesterday's <u>interview with WBAY</u>, Governor Evers stated the following in response to extending the Safer at Home Order: *I think by the 26th we will be in a place where we don't have to do that. Unless something extraordinary happens. You know, the virus doesn't consult with me on that, but we are doing a great job with testing and tracing those results in a way that I feel confident we are headed in the right direction.* We also know the Wisconsin Supreme Court <u>recently heard arguments</u> on the legality of extending the original order to May 26. We do not know when the Supreme Court will issue a ruling.

As we see restrictions easing, we will not be changing plans for this term or the summer term. We will continue to offer everything we can online and will be adhering to <u>DHS</u> and <u>CDC</u> guidelines for necessary face-to-face instruction which cannot be completed online. We plan on resuming operations under a new normal for the fall term, and a team is currently working to identify facility changes required to welcome more people on campus while still protecting the health of our students, faculty, and staff.

On an additional note, on <u>April 16<sup>th</sup> we announced</u> we would be temporarily expanding our <u>Early</u> <u>Notification of Separation Policy</u>. Folks were required to notify Human Resources of their intent to retire/resign under the expansion of the policy by May 8<sup>th</sup> (today). We are now extending that deadline another week – you now have until May 15<sup>th</sup> (next Friday) to notify Human Resources of your intent to retire/resign.

Thanks, Paul