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COVID-19 Memo to President Whitten

Our Chapter Calls for Increased Equity and Transparency

[Kennesaw, Georgia] — Yesterday our chapter sent a [memo to Kennesaw State University](#) President Pamela Whitten to address the gaps in leadership that we're seeing at KSU.

President Whitten's decision to implement Non-Closure Emergency Leave Procedures (NCELP) is a win for workers. NCELP authorizes payment to workers whose job functions have been impacted by COVID-19.

While we applaud this step by President Whitten, the lack of a university-wide announcement about NCELP leaves workers in the dark about how the procedures will be applied. We urge the university to hold three virtual, interactive, and recorded town hall meetings for faculty, staff, and students to take questions, announce important information, and hear from the university community.

We join other UCWGA chapters across the state by calling on KSU to adopt additional steps to protect the safety and security of all employees, including guaranteeing pay at current wages for all employees, mandating telework for all employees who can do so, eliminating exposure risks for all personnel, and repurposing our campuses to expand coronavirus treatment capacity.

For more information, please read [our March 29 memo to President Whitten](#).

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