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Dear Mr. Gallo:

Thank you for your interest in wanting to conclude the contract discussions between the Alumni Association of SUNY Maritime and SUNY System Administration.

While the Alumni Association may think their proposal has been "languishing" at System Administration, I can assure you that that is not the case. As you know, your pending proposal takes a very different approach from previous submittals and from discussions through the state legislative offices of Senators LaValle and Johnson, and what we had hoped would be the basis for a mutually acceptable contract.

Your Albany representative, Todd Vandervort, has met with me regarding these documents and has provided some additional information. At this point in time, though major issues remain, we would like to continue the discussions on the contract and guidelines and would respectfully request that these meetings be coordinated in the same fashion as our previous talks with legislative mediation using the good offices of Senators LaValle and Johnson.

I will be in contact with John D'Agati of Senator LaValle's office and Rory Whelan of Senator Johnson's office to coordinate a meeting of SUNY staff members and your association's representatives.

I look forward to working with you and to a conclusion of this matter.

Sincerely,

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