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Dear Ray:

Thank you for your letter of April 11. I am just now getting caught up on some materials after being out of the office a little over three weeks on a business and vacation trip.

Some of the suggestions which you have made are, I believe, excellent and it seems to me that informing potential inventors about the patent system and opportunities which it affords is a project which would be well within the scope of the SUPA organization. I, like you, have made every effort to address any university oriented group where an invitation has been extended to make some remarks about the patent system and its impact on the transfer of technology. Also, like you, I have not specifically sought out the opportunity to address such groups. It might be well to establish, within SUPA, a committee (perhaps even a "speakers bureau") which could organize and draft a "canned" talk that could be distributed to members for presentation on their respective campuses. I suggest the canned talk approach simply because the show of hands at our second to last meeting indicated that many in the membership spent only a small fraction of time on patent matters. Will you please keep in mind this matter so that we can discuss it at our proposed officers and trustees meeting a bit later.

Some of the survey results are in now and it appears that the leading meeting preference is in conjunction with Dr. Dvorkovitz World Technology Fair. A meeting associated with LES in New Orleans is running a relatively close second.

Best regards.

Very truly yours,

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President

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