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In this shifting landscape of executive orders, legislative provisos, and changing policies regarding DEI, addressing immigration policies or changes in funding, the faculty and staff and students at WSU are left not sure what to do or how to proceed. For example, the Tilford Conference on diversity was discontinued so quietly that not even longtime supporters and those who worked closely with its efforts knew that it no longer existed. Therefore, in the interest of transparency, I recommend that the administration have a page dedicated to updates on these matters. The occasional passing reference in WSU today is NOT enough. Ideally, this will be a resource for the latest policies and protocols as well as a place to go for what to do in situations such as the cancelation of grants, wording on syllabi, the discontinuation of offices and other matters. A model might be the page that WSU created during the COVID pandemic. A similar page would be a good step in this direction.