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>From David Womack, JPRA

George,

I was unable to coordinate a quick meeting yesterday between you and our candidate for our magazine journalism position.

The candidate is Lisa Weidman, who is ABD at Syracuse and working under John Ben Snow Research Professor Pamela Shoemaker. Her dissertation is related to media coverage of womens sports. Lisa is an exceptional candidate, one with seven years of professional experience and a very strong academic background.

She was very excited about having the chance to meet you and I know she would be delighted to hear from you.

My specific request of you is that you write her an email message or give her a call to acknowledge her presence here.

Shes sitting on an offer from us and from another university and will make her decision in the next few days. I am imposing on you as one of our \*big guns\* to help us make a pitch for our program with a truly exceptional faculty candidate.

The dean has been very impresses with Lisa as have all of our faculty who have met with her over the past couple of days.

I believe you can be a great help with a call. Lisa spoke of your work and discussions about it between her and other Syracuse doctoral candidates. She is interested in a research agenda and some contact with her by you would be, I am convinced, a great advantage to us over our as yet unnamed competition.

I know it is end of term, etc., and I am asking at a time that is likely jammed, but your really can help us, George. Thanks for considering my request.

Lisas telephone numbers are HOME 315 423-7902 and Office 315 443-3946/ Her email address is lweidman@mailbox.syr.edu

(excuse my word processor-to-emial translator that forgets apostrophes)

To: "David L. Womack" <womack@astro.ocis.temple.edu>  
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Subject: Re: A request from JPRA  
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David and friends (please forward to whom it may interest):

I just (Sat. 5/9, 11:45 a.m.) had a long and friendly conversation with Lisa Weidman. She had many good questions: Where should a single woman live? What are conditions and support for teaching and research? How do I like working at Temple? etc. to which I responded expressing my own interests and enthusiasm for colleagues and students, realism about campus and conditions, and, I believe, credible sense of faculty and student anticipation about the prospect of working with her. She seemed interested, properly guarded about her criteria for making her decision, but said that it will be in the next few days. I have no idea what she will decide, but at least it should be on the basis of adequate information. George.