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Distinguished Professors, Watson Award Winners, and Members of the Academic Events Committee:

The academic events committee has asked me to solicit your opinion on the matter discussed below. We are requesting input from recent Watson Professors and past years' distinguished professors.

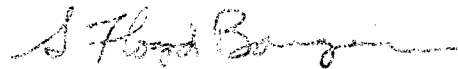
The committee is charged with reviewing policy on colloquia. It was the consensus of the committee that the "popular" lecture series is the proper domain of special events. It was felt that an interdisciplinary colloquium series might be a worthwhile addition. The papers in this series should meet two criteria: (1) be accessible to serious scholars from several disciplines; (2) be in a topic of scholarly concern.

Please respond to the following:

1. Do you feel such a series is desirable? feasible?
2. Would you be willing to give a paper in such a series?
3. Other comments.

Your input will be helpful.

Yours truly,



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