Mon, Mar 24 at 8:22 AM

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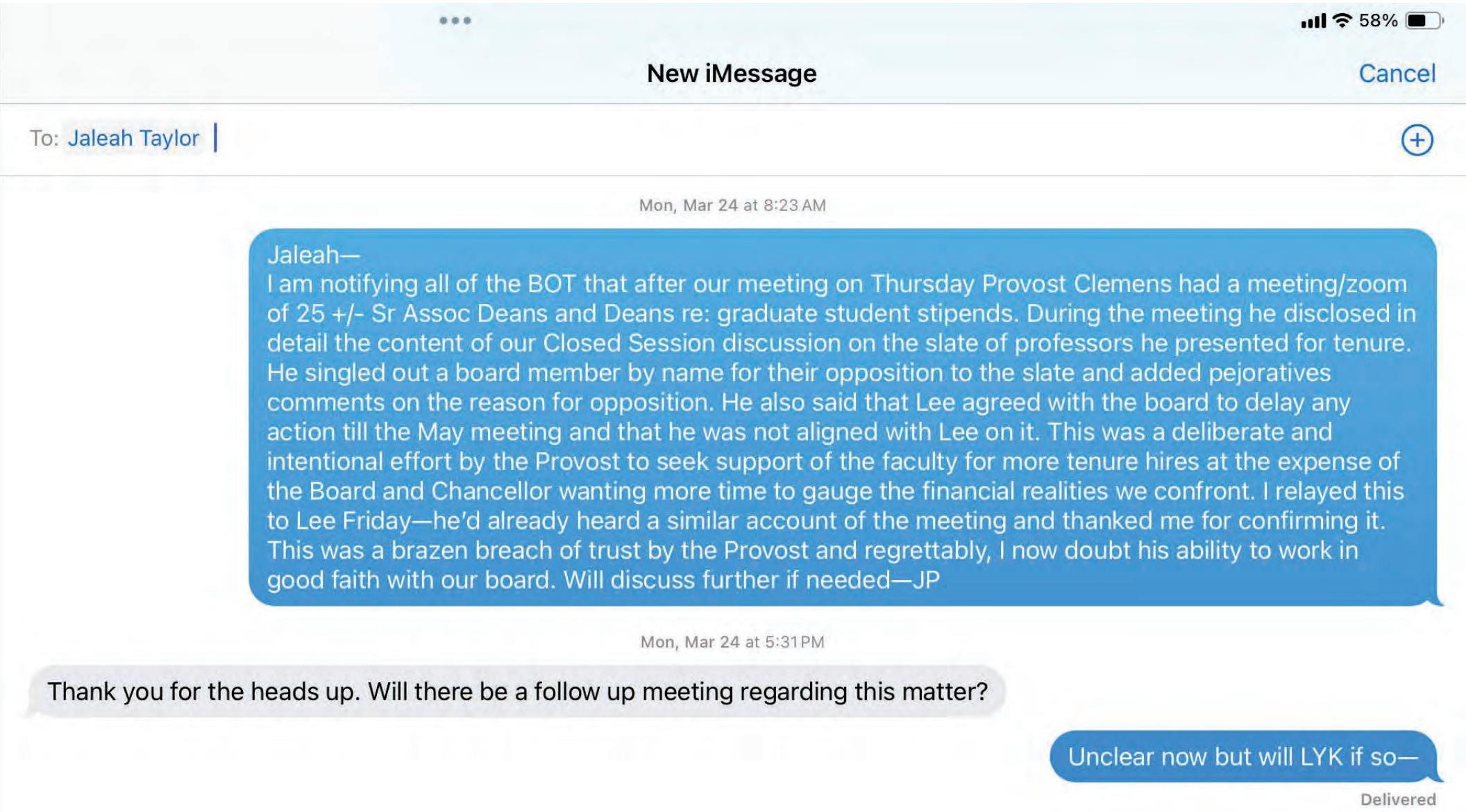
Thanks for the update Ouch

Thx for RC remarks. I don't know why CC did that but he really burned the board—

Tue, Mar 25 at 10:41 AM

Just tried calling. Sorry about stirring up CD and his apparent call to you last night. I didn't tell him anything that he didn't already know.

I'm in the NCGA on something work related but will be back—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To: Jaleah Taylor
Mon, Mar 24 at 8:23 AM
Jaleah—
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Mon, Mar 24 at 5:31 PM
Thank you for the heads up. Will there be a follow up meeting regarding this matter?
Unclear now but will LYK if so—
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To: Ramsey White

Sat, Mar 22 at 6:14 PM

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Perrin just let me know. He said Lee was aware. What's his thought.

Not sure what Lee is thinking but I told him yesterday... I think he now is beginning to realize that Clemens has played him. How does that text read to you because I haven't sent to anyone else: do I need to make it more ominous?

I think it is good and makes sense. My guess is the first question you will get is does Lee know?

As soon as Jim knows he was called out, the better.

I told Jim yesterday😂

3 Replies

Boom!

Good

Hopefully, he hounds the powers that be and LR.

I think thenCC:faculty messaging will backfire as we are being financially prudent and only delayed the vote.

When Clemens called me in January, he said he tried to negotiate a better retreat package from LR and it did not work. I think he is trying to go back to astronomy with the best salary possible.

He's office spacing it.

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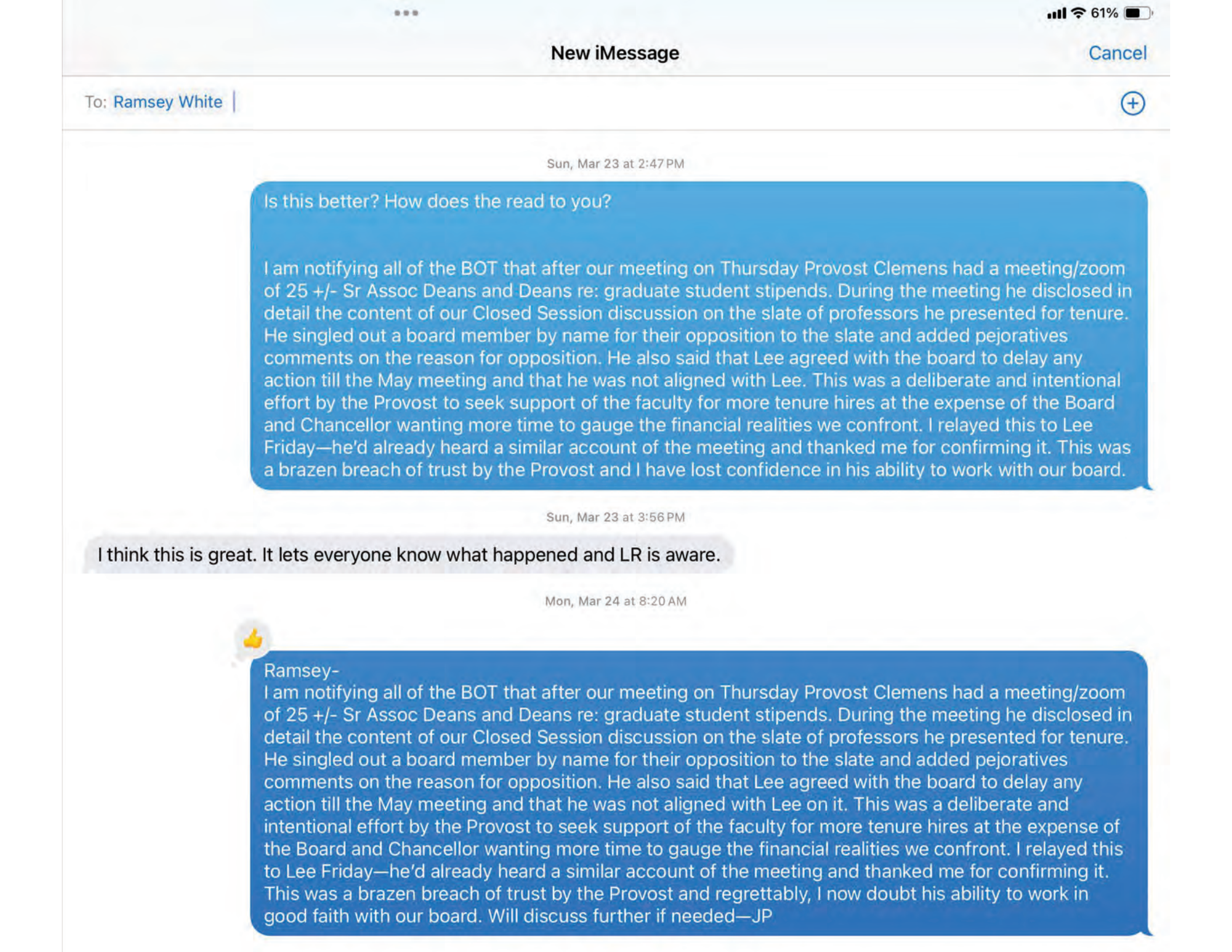
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Sun, Mar 23 at 2:47 PM
Is this better? How does the read to you?
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Sun, Mar 23 at 3:56 PM
I think this is great. It lets everyone know what happened and LR is aware.
Mon, Mar 24 at 8:20 AM
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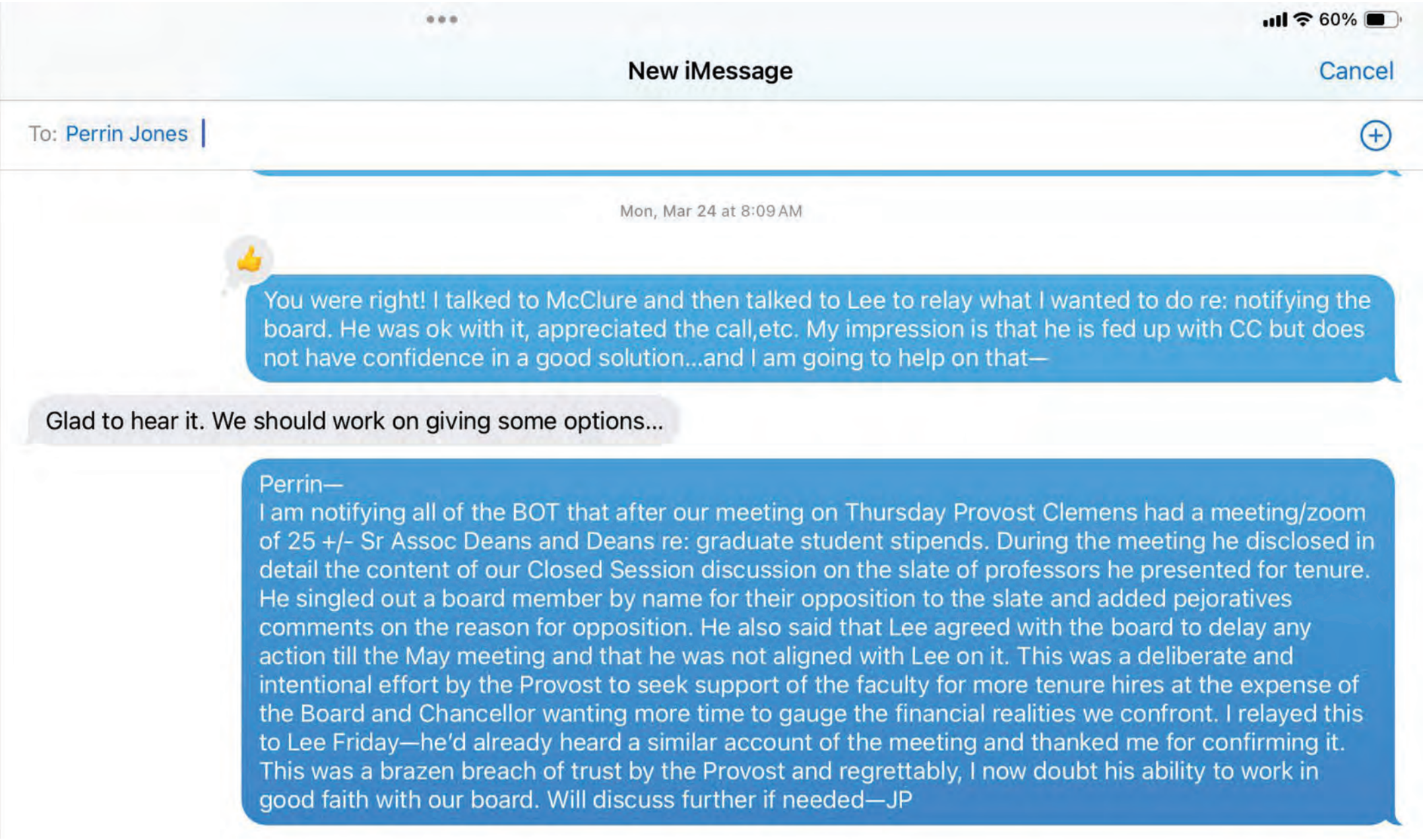
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To: Perrin Jones
Mon, Mar 24 at 8:09 AM
You were right! I talked to McClure and then talked to Lee to relay what I wanted to do re: notifying the board. He was ok with it, appreciated the call,etc. My impression is that he is fed up with CC but does not have confidence in a good solution...and I am going to help on that—
Glad to hear it. We should work on giving some options...
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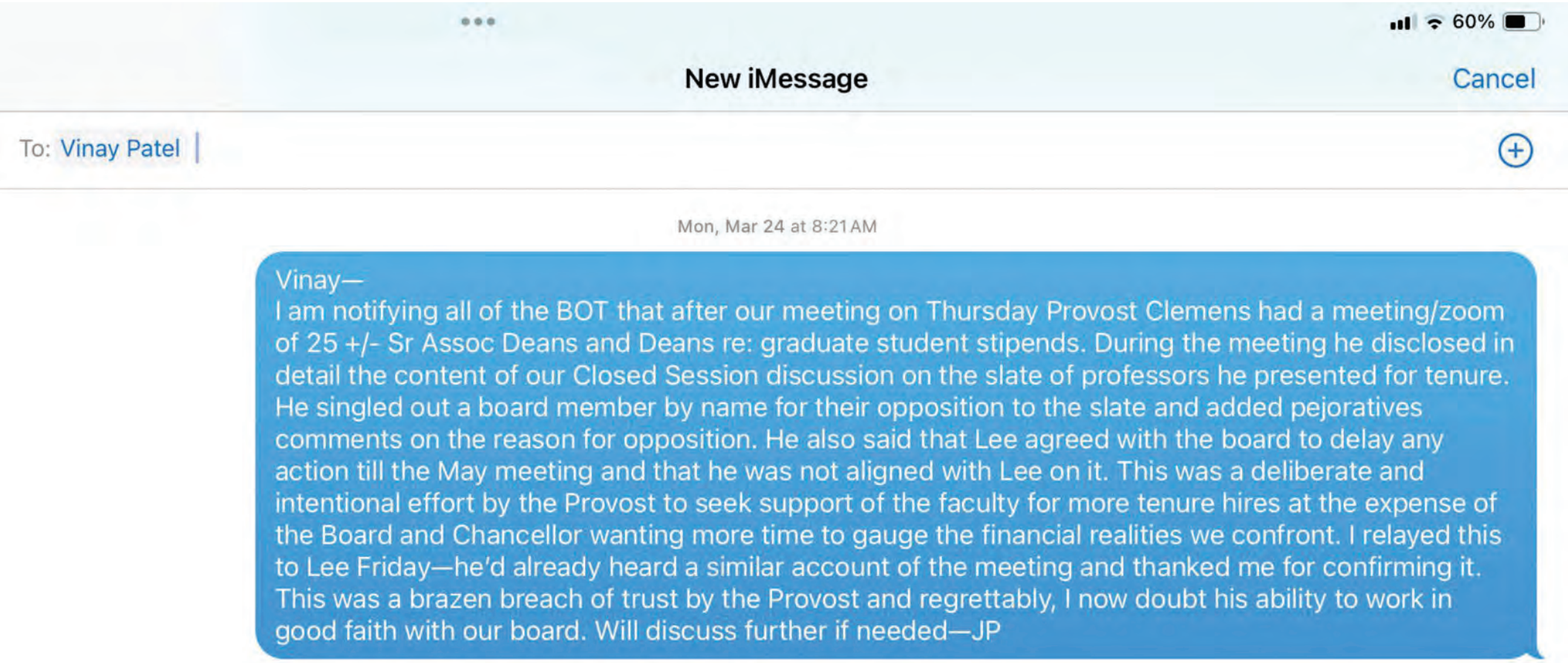
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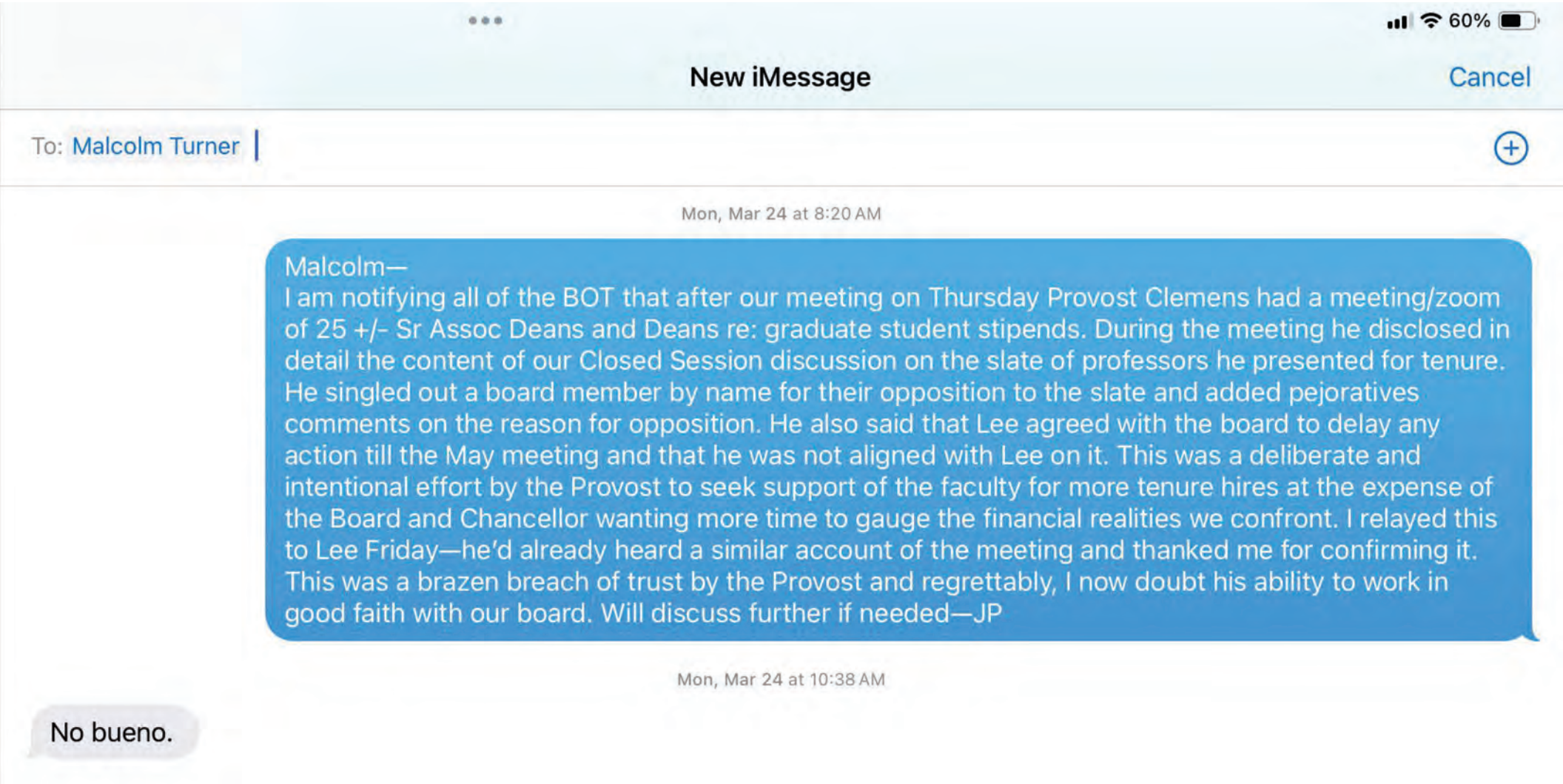
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Mon, Mar 24 at 10:38 AM
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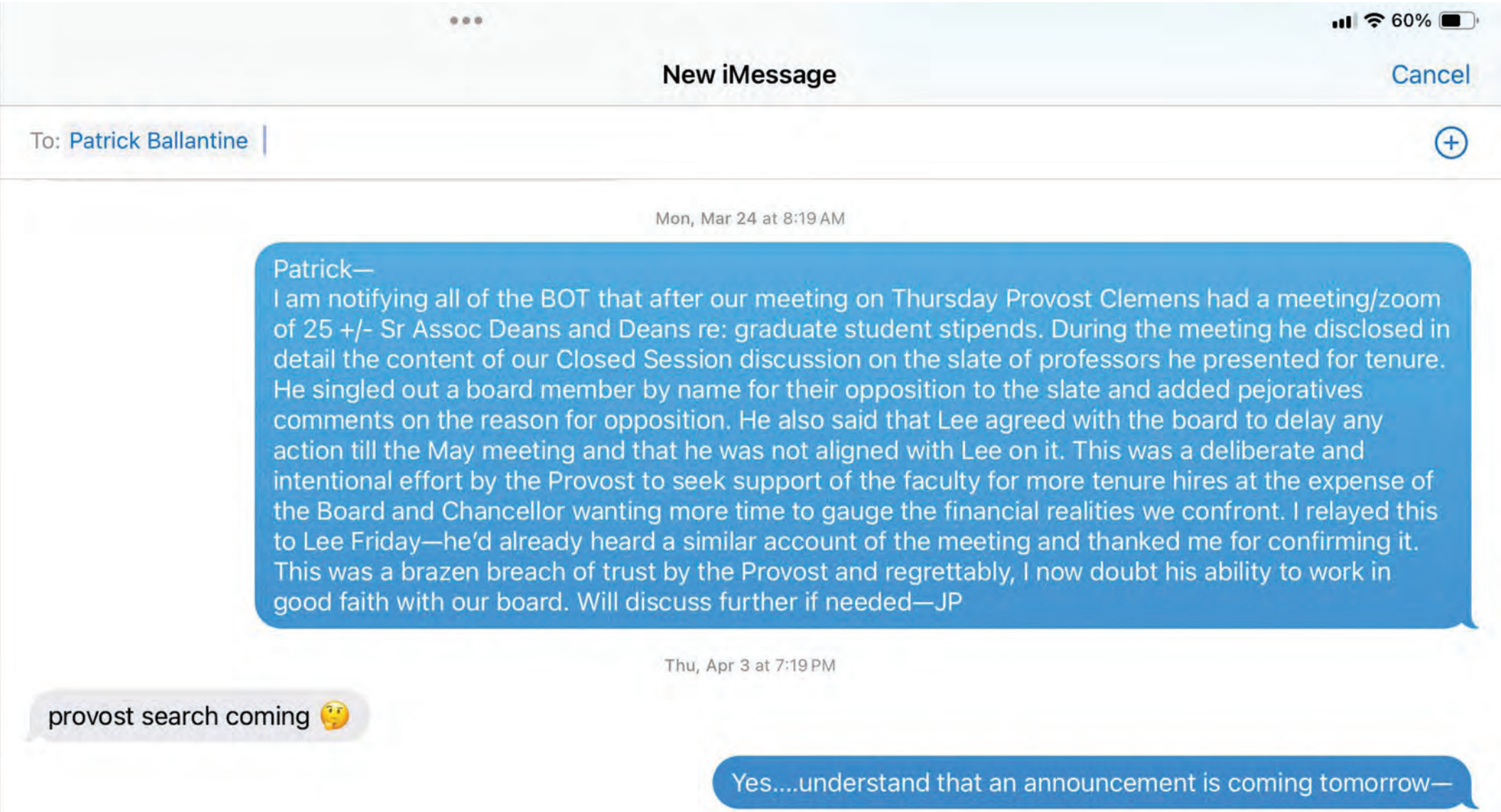
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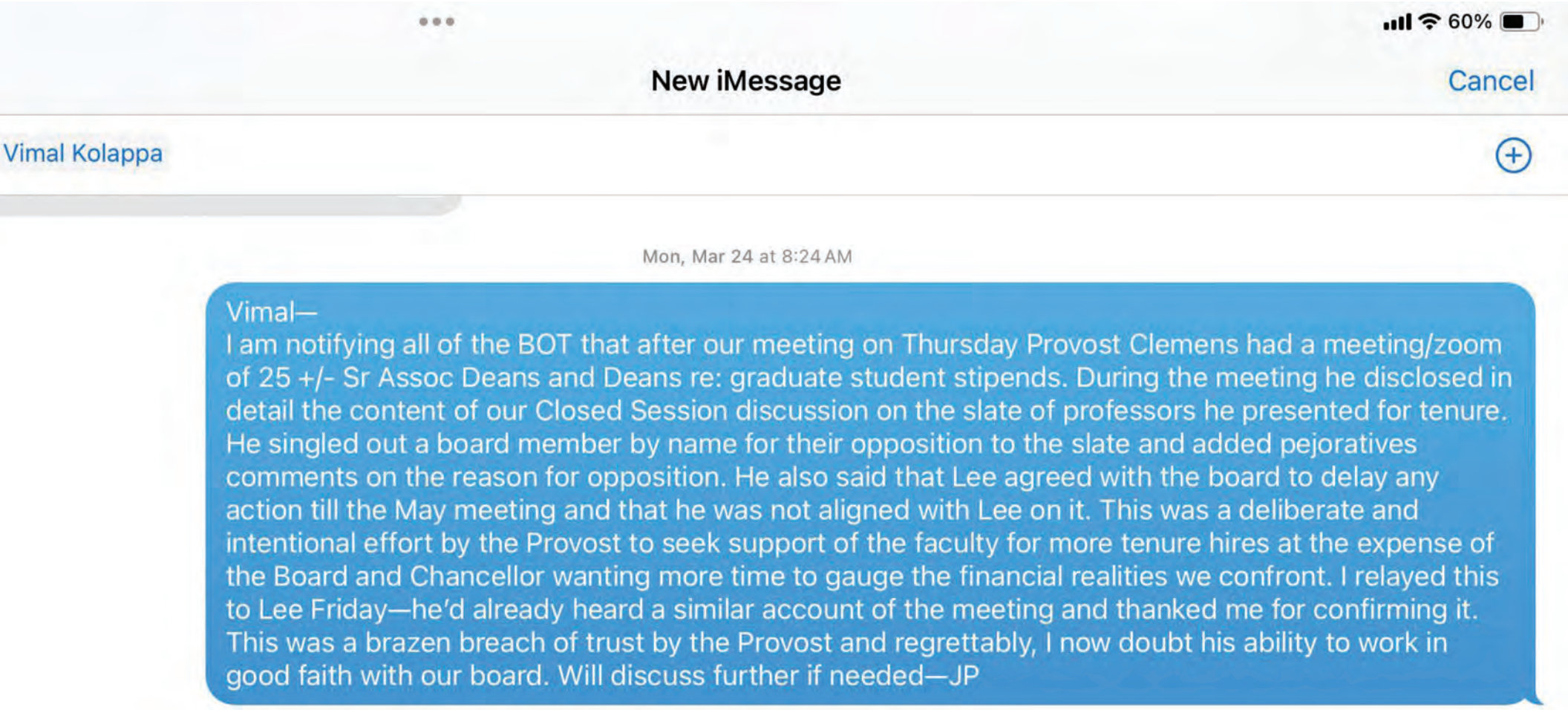
provost search coming 🤔
Yes....understand that an announcement is coming tomorrow—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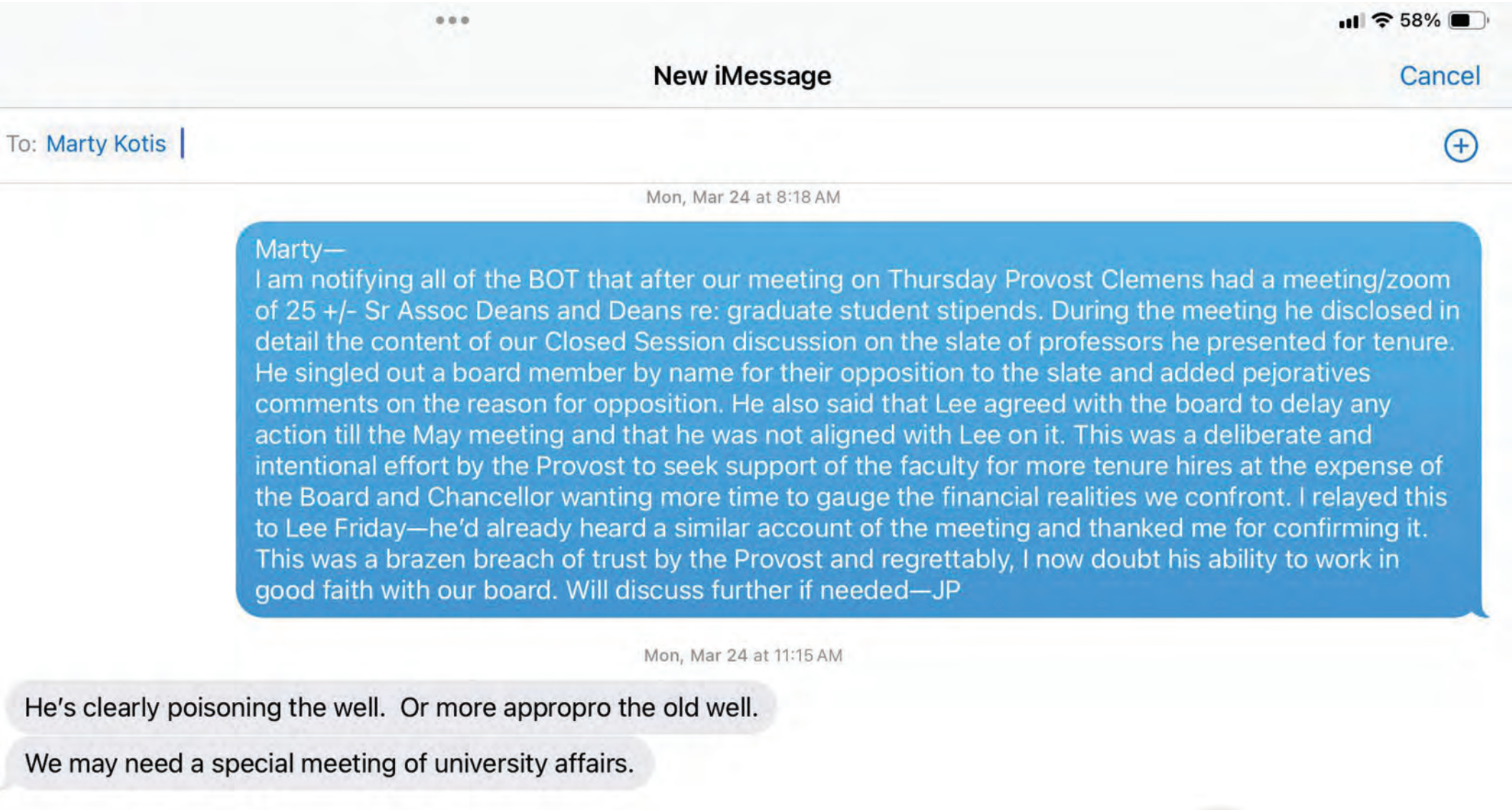
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Mon, Mar 24 at 11:15 AM
He's clearly poisoning the well. Or more appropro the old well.
We may need a special meeting of university affairs.

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To: Ritch Allison

Mon, Mar 24 at 8:43 AM

Ritch—
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Mon, Mar 24 at 11:27 AM

Pls let me know if there's a good time to talk today or tomorrow.

Mon, Mar 24 at 12:28 PM

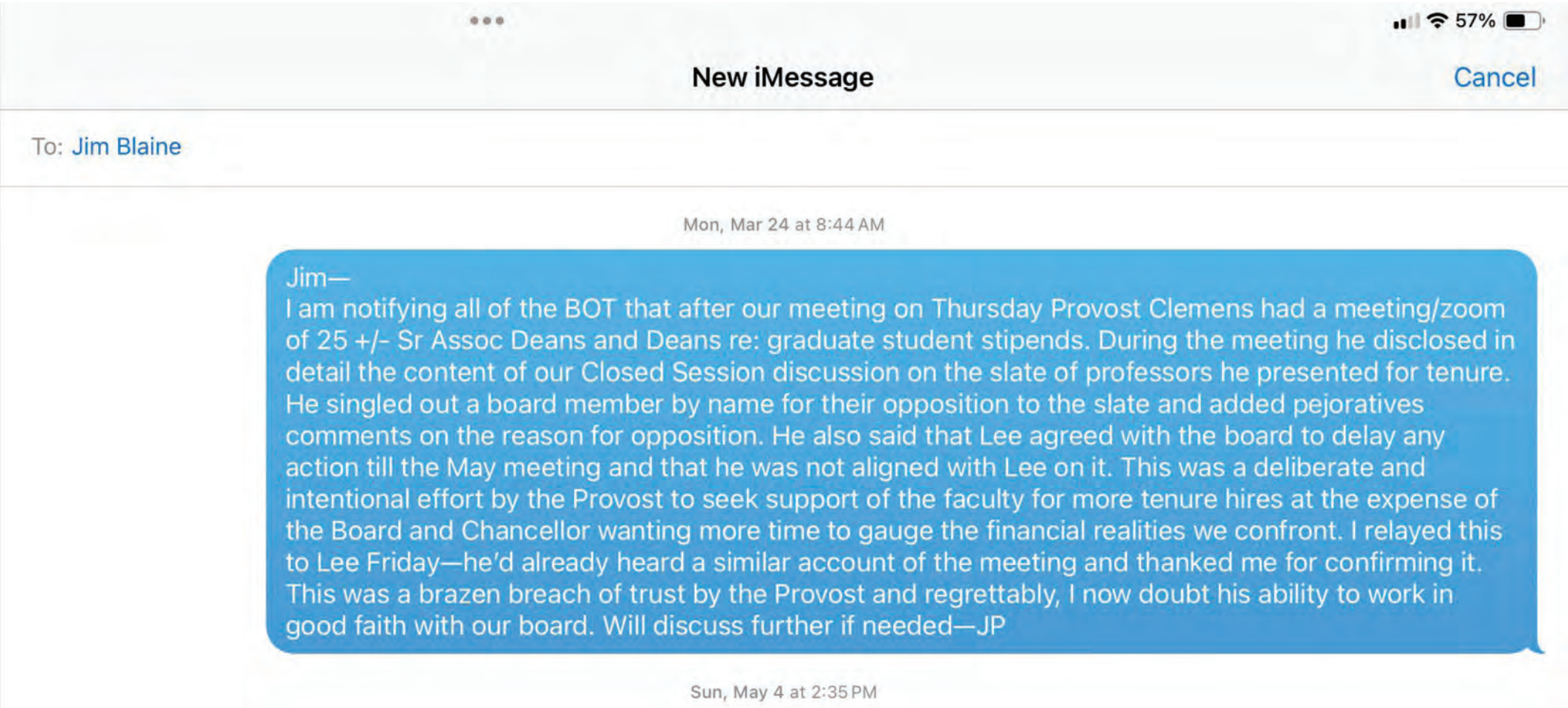
Ritch—I'm good now till 1:30 or after 4:30.

I am tied up now. Later today I have a zoom mtg that should end at -5. Ok if I call you when that ends?

Mon, Mar 24 at 4:38 PM

Hey John.
Is tomorrow morning an option for you? Do you have time to talk then instead of this afternoon ?
My meetings are running long then we have a commitment tonight.

Sure, how is 8-10:00 window?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