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BOARD SELECTS EMPORIA STATE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

17 Individuals Selected For Search Process

(TOPEKA) – Yesterday the Board of Regents selected the 17 individuals who will guide the search process for the next president of Emporia State University (ESU).

The search committee, comprised of 17 individuals representing ESU constituencies such as faculty, students, administration and staff, alumni/foundation, the Emporia community, and the Board of Regents, will be led by Regent Janice DeBauge of Emporia.

“The Board has selected an excellent search committee,” said DeBauge. “I certainly look forward to working with these very impressive individuals in the coming months as we work to identify high quality candidates for this important presidential post. The individual who is ultimately selected will play a vital role in the Emporia community as well as the state’s higher education system.”

Over the next several months, the search committee will work closely with a yet-to-be-determined executive search firm to identify and recruit candidates to replace current ESU President Kay Schallenkamp who, after eight and a half years of service at ESU, will be returning to her home state of South Dakota near the end of the current fiscal year (June 30) to become the President of Black Hills State University. During its February meeting, the Board charged the search committee to identify three to five presidential candidates whose names will ultimately be forwarded to the Board for final consideration.

The four search committee members representing ESU faculty are: Harvey Foyle, Professor of Instructional Design; James Stephens, Assistant Professor of Business; Terry Summey, Associate Professor, School of Library and Management; and Joe Yanik, Professor, Department of Math and Computer Science.

The two members representing ESU students are: Angela Blaufuss and Courtney George.

The four members representing ESU administration and staff are: Art Gutierrez, Library Service; Lynn Hobson, Executive Director, Learning/Living Programs; Jackie Scott, Director, Human Resources; and Rod Sobieski, Dean, Liberal Arts and Sciences.

The four members representing alumni/foundation are: William A. (Art) Bloomer, Board Chairman and CEO, Integrated Data Corporation; Carl Ricketts, Vice-President of Business Services for Missouri Gas Energy; Stephen L. Sauder, a successful Emporia entrepreneur; and Janet Schalansky, President, Kansas Children's Service League Foundation.

Representing the Emporia community is Jeff Longbine, President of Longbine Auto Plaza, Inc.

The two members representing the Board of Regents are: Janice DeBauge, Regent and Search Committee Chair; and Reginald L. Robinson, President and CEO.

Additional ESU presidential search details, including the search committee's charge and position description, can be found on the Board's website at the following link:

<http://kansasregents.org/Presidentialsearch.html>.

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ESU Presidential Search Committee

Faculty:

Dr. Harvey Foyle

Dr. Foyle currently teaches educational technology in the Instructional Design and Technology Department to pre-service teachers and graduate students. He has taught at Emporia State University for 19 years and previously was a high school social studies teacher for 18 years. He has served on the Faculty Senate on the Academic Affairs Committee and the Faculty Affairs Committee. Dr. Foyle has published books and articles on the topics of student teacher supervision, school homework, cooperative learning small groups, and technology. He holds a BA, M.Div., MS and Ph.D. degree, and is an ESU alum.

Dr. James Stephens

Dr. Stephens is an Assistant Professor of Business at ESU. He received his undergraduate education at Ashland University, Ohio, his MBA at Miami University, Ohio, and his Ph.D. from Arizona State University, Tempe. Dr. Stephens has been active on campus serving on the Faculty Senate, many campus-wide and School of Business committees, and as the Director of the Center for Insurance Education. Additionally, Dr. Stephens' community service includes being a board member and president of Emporia Habitat for Humanity, and recent chair of the Ministry Design Team for Emporia First United Methodist Church.

Dr. Terri Summey

Dr. Summey is the Head of Access and Distance Services, along with coordinating Collection Development in the University Libraries and Archives. She also teaches part-time on the National Faculty for the School of Library and Information Management. Terri received her BA from Dana College, Nebraska, a MS degree in Library Science from North Texas State University, Denton, and a MA in History from ESU. She is a member in professional organizations at the state, regional, and national level with committee appointments at each level. Terri is currently the President of the ESU Faculty. Terri's community activities include Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, church related organizations, and the Sertoma Club of Emporia where she is currently leading that organization. She has also been a participant in the Leadership Emporia program

Dr. Joe Yanik

Dr. Yanik is a Professor in the Department of Math and Computer Science, at ESU. His BA, MS and Ph.D. degrees are from the University of Kentucky. He has been a member of the ESU Faculty Senate, General Education Council, LA&S Advisory Council, Graduate Council, Vice-President's Advisory Committee. His past and present leadership activities include President of Phi Kappa Phi, President of the ESU chapter of the AAUP, President of the Kansas Conference of the AAUP, and past Faculty President.

Students:

Angela Blaufuss

Ms. Blaufuss is a member of the Associated Student Government. She is also a member of Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Caduceus Society, secretary for Phi Beta Lambda, and a coach for the Special Olympics. She has selected Pre-Medicine as a major, with a minor in Accounting, and looks forward to graduation in 2009.

Courtney George

Ms. George is a member of the Associated Student Government and serves as the Legislative Director. She is also a member of the Emporia State Young Democrats, Leadership Education and Development (LEAD), Student Media Board, and the University Honors Program. She has selected Political Science as a major, with a minor in Public Affairs, and looks forward to graduation in 2009.

Administration & Staff:

Art Gutierrez

Arthur "Art" Gutierrez is currently employed at the ESU Library as a Technology Support Technician I. He is also a channel and content administrator for ILS, and oversees installation of new releases to meet user needs in the library. Art graduated from ESU in 2003 with a BSB in Computer Information Systems.

Lynn Hobson

Ms. Hobson's tenure at ESU began with Coordinator of Conference/Scheduling, and progressed into Associate Director and Director of the Memorial Union. She became Executive Director of the Learning/Living Program in 2005. She currently serves on the following University Committees: Strategic Planning President's Cabinet, Alcohol Advisory, Library as Place, Founders Day, and Student Affairs Enrollment Management. She also provides leadership of the administrative staff of the University Residence Hall program. She has a BA of Fine Arts and a MS in Counselor Education degrees from ESU.

Jackie Scott

Ms. Scott began as director of Human Resources at Emporia State University in 1995. Jackie holds a bachelor's degree in business and a master's degree in Student Personnel and Counseling from Emporia State University. She is a member of the Board of Regents ACORB (Advisory Committee on Retirement and Benefits) group. At ESU, she is chair of the Affirmative Action Advisory Council, a member of the Strategic Planning Committee, Budget and Tuition Development Committee, Disability Services Advisory Committee and Diversity Education Community. She is an ex-officio member of the Tuition Assistance Committee and Classified Assembly. Jackie is also a member of the Emporia Area Chamber of Commerce and Society for Human Resources Management.

Dr. Rod Sobieski

Dr. Sobieski has been a faculty member at Emporia State University since 1976 in various capacities. He became the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences in 2005. He has a BS and MS in Biology from Wayne State University, and a Ph.D. in Microbiology from the University of Michigan. Rod's community service has included Co-Director/Director - Kansas Junior Academy of Sciences, Board of Directors Hospice of the Flint Hills, Emporia Lyon County Recycling Advisory Board, Emporia Lyon County Planning Commission, Kansas Electric Utilities Research Renewable Energy Task Force, and has served as a member of Project 30 Alliance, and the Camp Alexander Board. He has co-written a textbook and several research publications.

Alumni/Foundation:**William A. (Art) Bloomer**

A retired Brigadier General and a 31 year veteran of the U.S. Marine Corp, Art is an ESU graduate and currently serves as the 1st Vice Chairman of the ESU Foundation, as well as Chairman of the Foundations Finance Committee. In addition he and his wife Sue are Co-Chairs of the current \$15 million scholarship campaign "Building Blocks for Success." He is CEO and Chairman of the Board, Integrated Data Corporation.

Carl Ricketts

Carl Ricketts is Vice-President of Business Services for Missouri Gas Energy. He received his BSE and MBA degrees from ESU. He previously served on the ESU alumni association board of directors and is currently a member of the foundation board of trustees. Mr. Ricketts remembers the challenges of trying to succeed athletically and academically. Mr. Ricketts supports ESU students who are trying to balance sports and the classroom. He established the Dr. John Rich & Carl Ricketts Scholarship, which will provide financial awards to juniors, seniors and graduate students in the School of Business who are also varsity athletes.

Stephen L. Sauder

A life long resident of Emporia Kansas, Steve Sauder is a successful entrepreneur. An ESU graduate, Steve is a member of the Alumni Association, and currently serves on the Foundation as a member of both the Finance Committee and the Leadership Gifts Committee. In addition, he is Co - Chair of the Universities \$15 million dollar Scholarship campaign "Building Blocks for Success."

Janet Schalansky

Ms. Schalansky has been President of the Kansas Children's Service League Foundation since 2005. She oversees an endowment of \$9 million, manages fund development staff for solicitation and fundraising activities. She has also served as Secretary of the Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services. Janet has a BA and MS degree from Emporia State University. She was the 2001 Emporia State Distinguished Alumni, and is a member of the ESU Endowment and President-Elect of the Alumni Association.

Community:

Jeff Longbine

Mr. Longbine is President/CEO of Longbine Auto Plaza, Inc., Emporia. He is a member of the ESU Foundation and serves as a Trustee on the Finance Committee. Jeff's community activities include Chair of the Flint Hills Technical College Foundation, board member of the United Way of the Flint Hills, membership on the Commercial Development Task Force and the Lyon County Government Study Group. Mr. Longbine attended the University of Kansas and Emporia State University.

Kansas Board of Regents:

Janice DeBauge

Board of Regents Member and Search Committee Chair

Reginald L. Robinson

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