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## **UA Presidential Search Advisory Committee**

(Phoenix, AZ) – The Arizona Board of Regents has announced the membership of the University of Arizona Presidential Search Advisory Committee, which includes: representatives from ABOR; UA administration, faculty, student and alumni leadership; Arizona community colleges; community and business leadership; Native American tribal government leadership and more.

University of Arizona President Ann Weaver Hart previously announced she will not seek an extension to her current contract, which expires in June of 2018.

The board has set qualifications for the members to serve on the committee, which include being considered a leader in their specific area of influence and possessing the time and ability to participate fully on the committee. Members act as ambassadors of the Arizona Board of Regents during the search process, vet potential prospects for the position and dedicate themselves to the success of the search process.

Board chair Greg Patterson has appointed the following individuals to serve on the UA Presidential Search Advisory Committee, which is co-chaired by Regents Bill Ridenour and Ron Shoopman:

Name Title

Mara G. Aspinall President & CEO, GenePeecks & Health Catalysts

Betsey Bayless President Emeritus, Maricopa Integrated Health System

Charlie Bayless Retired, Tucson Electric Power Chairman and CEO

Bruce Beach Chairman & CEO, BeachFleischman PC

Greg Byrne Vice President and Director of Athletics, The University of Arizona

Melinda Burke President, UA Alumni Association

Vianney Careaga Regent Designee, Arizona Board of Regents

Erica L. Corral Associate Professor, UA Materials Science and Engineering

Karl Eller Chairman and CEO, The Eller Company
Jay Heiler Regent Designee, Arizona Board of Regents

Eileen I. Klein President, Arizona Board of Regents
Lee Lambert Chancellor, Pima Community College
Stephen Roe Lewis Governor, Gila River Indian Community

Oscar S. Lizardi Attorney Senior Partner, Rusing Lopez & Lizardi

Dennis R. Minano Retired Vice President Public Policy, CFO, General Motors

Marc L. Miller Dean, James E. Rogers College of Law

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Lynn Nadel Professor, Psychology; Regents Professor, The University of Arizona Sarah Netherton Former President, UA Graduate and Professional Student Council

Larry Penley Regent Designee, Arizona Board of Regents

Tony Penn President and CEO, United Way of Tucson and Southern Arizona

Robert Ramirez President and CEO, Vantage West Credit Union
William Ridenour Regent Designee, Arizona Board of Regents
Ron Shoopman Regent Designee, Arizona Board of Regents
Dick Silverman Attorney, Jennings, Strouss and Salmon PLC

Jeff Stevens CEO Western Refinery Inc.

Dawn Wallace Senior Advisor to the Governor, Education and Strategic Initiatives

Kendal Washington White Assistant Vice President and Dean of Students, UA

"The University of Arizona is a point of great pride for our state, and is an outstanding and esteemed university," said Chair Patterson. "Selecting the next UA president is a responsibility the board takes with great pride and care. I am most appreciative of these individuals who are dedicating their time to this process. Their service on the committee is highly valued and I am grateful for the tremendous leadership, insight and contribution they will lend to this process."

Committee members will participate in various constituency forums; gather input from various interested individuals and groups; assist in identifying essential presidential leadership characteristics; and meet with potential prospects and offer feedback to the other members of the search committee and the regents.

The committee will evaluate individuals who have applied for, been recommended to, or recruited for the position and will evaluate these prospects using criteria identified in the board-adopted UA Presidential Leadership Characteristics.

Following its preliminary assessment of the qualifications of the individuals in the prospect pool, the search advisory committee will identify those prospects whose qualifications most nearly match the approved criteria and will invite them to participate in discussions with committee members.

The board will review the list of potential candidates forwarded by the search committee and will assess the relative qualifications of each potential candidate through review of potential candidate files, and any assessments provided by the search committee and the search consultant.

The board will invite those potential candidates it deems to have the necessary leadership characteristics for personal interviews with the full board. Individuals who are invited to participate in interviews with the board as potential candidates will be advised that participation may require the public disclosure of the candidate's identity and resume in accordance with Arizona public records laws.

Prior to making its selection, the board may invite one or more candidates to campus for meetings with various campus constituencies.

The Arizona Board of Regents has <u>hired the executive search</u> firm <u>R. William Funk & Associates</u> to assist with the search process.

For more information about the UA Presidential Search, or to submit questions or comments, click here.