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New Student Regent Confirmed by Arizona State Senate

PHOENIX, Ariz. – The Arizona Board of Regents welcomes Aundrea DeGravina as the new student regent on the board. DeGravina was appointed to the board last week by Gov. Doug Ducey and was confirmed today by the Arizona State Senate. An undergraduate student at Arizona State University, DeGravina will begin her two-year term on July 1, 2017 when departing Student Regent Jared Gorshe concludes his term.

"Our student regents play a critical role in the governing process for our public university enterprise and their insights and representation of students at Arizona's public universities are crucial," said ABOR Chair Greg Patterson. "I look forward to Student Regent DeGravina's participation on the board."

A student of Barrett, the Honors College at ASU, DeGravina is a double major in psychological sciences and political science. She is also currently a legislative intern in the Arizona governor's office. She interned for Sen. John McCain's 2016 U.S. Senate campaign and served as appropriations committee chair for the ASU Undergraduate Student Government. DeGravina is the founder of Barrett Women's League, a women's networking organization within the college that connects current students with alumni and faculty.

"Our student regents are leaders among their peers and bring important feedback from students to the board," ABOR President Eileen Klein said. "I look forward to working with Student Regent DeGravina to ensure that our students' voices and their experiences remain a primary focus during our discussions as well as in our decisions."

DeGravina's will serve as a non-voting member during her first year on the board. The governor appoints eight people in staggered eight-year terms to the board plus two student regents who serve staggered two-year terms (one year served as a non-voting member). DeGravina will serve her first year with Regent Vianney Careaga as the voting student regent.

The Senate also confirmed today the governor's appointment of Regent Lyndel Manson. Manson was appointed to the board in December 2016 and began her service in anticipation of Senate confirmation this legislative session. Her term will expire in 2024.

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