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Reflection from ABOR Chair Bill Ridenour on President Klein's decision to leave her position with the board

"I am deeply appreciative of President Eileen Klein's leadership over the past five years at the board. Her leadership has been pivotal in advancing the board's aggressive strategic plan for raising the quality and contributions of our state universities. She has helped set the course for the achievement of its 2025 goals to accomplish important outcomes for the state.

Without a doubt, President Klein has made a lasting difference to Arizona's public, higher education. In collaboration with the board and our university presidents, she has repositioned our universities for long-term success – focused on outcomes, strategic decision-making, long-term competitiveness, total transparency and quality assurance. She has been a true public servant of this state and for the last 10 years has served as chief of staff to Gov. Brewer and as president of the board. It is with the highest regard that we thank her for her dedication and commitment and wish her all the best in her next endeavors.

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