APPOINT VICE CHANCELLOR FOR ADVANCEMENT, URBANA, AND SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION

Action: Appoint Vice Chancellor for Advancement, Urbana, and Senior Vice President, University of Illinois Foundation

Funding: State Appropriated Funds and University of Illinois Foundation Funds

The Vice President, University of Illinois and Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign recommends the appointment of Barry D. Benson, currently Senior Vice President of Development, University Campaigns, Regional Development and Gift Planning, University of Arizona Foundation, Tucson, as Vice Chancellor for Advancement, Urbana, and Senior Vice President, University of Illinois Foundation, non-tenured, on a twelve-month service basis, on 100 percent time, at an annual salary of $340,000, beginning March 16, 2017. The position reports jointly to the Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and Vice President, University of Illinois and to the President, University of Illinois Foundation.

Mr. Benson succeeds Dan C. Peterson, who served in the position from December 1, 2012, until his resignation on February 29, 2016. Transitional university leadership has been provided by Edward F. Ewald, in conjunction with his role as Senior Vice President for Development, University of Illinois Foundation.
The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

This recommendation is made with the advice of a search committee.¹

The President of the University concurs.

(A biosketch follows.)

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Education
University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, B.A., 1998
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Professional and Other Experience
Chase Investment Services Corporation, Fort Collins, Colorado, 2003-04, Senior Investment Representative
University of Northern Colorado Foundation, Greeley, 2004-09, Director of Development
University of Arizona Foundation, Tucson, 2009-10, Director of Regional Development; 2014-16, Vice President of Development, University Campaigns and Communications
University of Arizona, Tucson, 2010-14, Senior Director of Development